



**Meeting Minutes
Civic Arts Commission
Wednesday, July 23, 2025
6:00 PM**

**Meeting Location: Tarea Hall Pittman South Branch Library
1901 Russell St, Berkeley, CA 94703**

Agenda

1. CALL TO ORDER: 6:04 PM

2. ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present: Bachrach, Blecher, Bullwinkel, Montgomery, Pineda, Woo

Commissioners Absent: Scott

Staff Present: Hilary Amnah, Grants Program Lead; Jennifer Lovvorn, Commission Secretary/Chief Cultural Affairs Officer; Mark Salinas, Public Art Program Lead

Members of the public present: 7

3. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

4. PUBLIC COMMENT (for items not on the agenda): None

5. COMMUNICATIONS: None

6. CHAIR'S REPORT

- a) Joint Subcommittee with Housing Advisory Commission ending and final report

7. PRESENTATIONS, DISCUSSION & ACTION ITEMS

- a) **Information Report:** Turtle Island Monument Project Contract Negotiations Impasse Presented by Jennifer Lovvorn, Chief Cultural Affairs Officer/Commission Secretary

Public Comment: 6

- b) **Action Item:** Final Report with Recommendations to Council on Affordable Housing for Artists from the Joint Subcommittee of the Housing Advisory Commission and the Civic Arts Commission

M/S/C (Blecher/Pineda) to approve final report with recommendations to Council on affordable housing for artists from the Joint Subcommittee of the Housing Advisory Commission and the Civic Arts Commission.

Vote: Ayes — Bachrach, Blecher, Bullwinkel, Montgomery, Pineda, Woo; Nays — None; Abstain — None; Absent — Scott.

Public Comment: None

- c) **Action Item:** Willard Clubhouse: Construction Document Phase of public art project by Julie Chang

Introduced by Mark Salinas, Public Art Program Lead; Presented by Chandra Cerrito, Willard Clubhouse Public Art Project Manager.

M/S/C (Bullwinkel/Blecher) to approve construction document phase deliverables for public art project by Julie Chang for Willard Clubhouse.

Vote: Ayes — Bachrach, Blecher, Bullwinkel, Montgomery, Pineda, Woo; Nays — None; Abstain — None; Absent — Scott.

Public Comment: None

- d) **Information Report:** Quarterly Grant-Funded Festivals Report

Presented by Hilary Amnah, Grants Program Lead

Public Comment: 2

8. STAFF REPORT

- a) Civic Arts Program Updates, Jen Lovvorn
- b) Grants Program Updates, Hilary Amnah
- c) Public Art Program Updates, Mark Salinas

9. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a) Grants – Next meeting is September 5.
- b) Public Art – No Report.
- c) Policy Subcommittee – July 25 meeting cancelled.
- d) Joint Subcommittee with Housing Advisory Commission – Approved report draft of recommendations to Council for affordable housing for artists document; will vote on finalized document at August 5 meeting.
- e) Representative on Design Review Committee – One project under preliminary review from last meeting.

10. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a) **Action Item:** Draft June 25, 2025 Meeting Minutes
M/S/C (Bullwinkel/Blecher) to approve final June 25, 2025 Meeting Minutes.
Vote: Ayes — Bachrach, Blecher, Bullwinkel, Montgomery, Woo; Nays — None;
Abstain — Pineda; Absent — Scott.
Public Comment: None

11. COMMISSIONER ANNOUNCEMENTS

12. ADJOURNMENT: 8:23 PM

- M/S/C** (Bullwinkel/Blecher) to adjourn.
Vote: Ayes — Bachrach, Blecher, Bullwinkel, Montgomery, Pineda, Woo; Nays —
None; Abstain — None; Absent — Scott
Public Comment: None

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