



**Minutes**  
**Civic Arts Commission Meeting**  
**Wednesday, December 4, 2024**  
**6:00 PM**

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

**1. CALL TO ORDER: 6:06 PM**

**2. ROLL CALL**

**Commissioners Present:** Anno, Bachrach, Blecher, Bullwinkel, Covarrubias, Ibarra, Pineda, Woo

**Commissioners Absent:** None

**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:** 0

**3. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

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

**5. CHAIR'S REPORT**

- a) Proclamation for Commissioner Anno thanking her for her service.
- b) Reminder about social gathering in December 19
- c) New City of Berkeley Mayor and Council Members
- d) Results of November 19 Council approval of mid-year budget

**6. PRESENTATIONS, DISCUSSION & ACTION ITEMS**

- a) **Action Item:** Aquatic Park Mural Proposal by Rourke Healey and Meg Schwarzman.  
M/S/C (Woo/Anno) to approve the Aquatic Park Mural Proposal by Rourke Healey and Meg Schwarzman for temporary display through December 2025, with option to extend display pending mural condition and site construction schedule and with the recommendation to include descriptive signage and to study how the mural is positioned on the wall.

**Vote:** Ayes — Anno, Bachrach, Blecher, Bullwinkel, Covarrubias, Ibarra, Pineda, Woo; Nays — None; Abstain — None; Absent — None.

**Public Comment:** None

- b) **Action Item:** Caesar Chavez Dog Park Mosaic Proposal by Lynn Jones M/S/C (Bullwinkel/Pineda) to approve the Caesar Chavez Dog Park Mosaic Proposal by Lynn Jones for temporary display through June 2026, with option to extend display pending mosaic and site conditions.  
**Vote:** Ayes — Anno, Bachrach, Blecher, Bullwinkel, Covarrubias, Ibarra, Pineda, Woo; Nays — None; Abstain — None; Absent — None.  
**Public Comment:** None
- c) **Action Item:** Willard Clubhouse Public Art Project: Panel-Selected Artist and Proposal.  
M/S/C (Ibarra/Bullwinkel) to approve the panel's selection of artist Julie Chang and her artwork proposal for the Willard Clubhouse Public Art Project.  
**Vote:** Ayes — Anno, Bachrach, Blecher, Bullwinkel, Covarrubias, Ibarra, Pineda, Woo; Nays — None; Abstain — None; Absent — None.  
**Public Comment:** None
- d) **Action Item:** Municipal Artist-in-Residence Framed Artwork Purchase  
M/S/C (Bullwinkel/Woo) to approve the purchase in the amount of \$425 total for three framed artworks by Cheryl Derricotte from the culminating exhibition of the Municipal Artist-in-Residence program.  
**Vote:** Ayes — Anno, Bachrach, Blecher, Bullwinkel, Covarrubias, Ibarra, Pineda, Woo; Nays — None; Abstain — None; Absent — None.  
**Public Comment:** None
- e) **Action Item:** FY26 Individual Artist Projects Grant Guidelines  
M/S/C (Woo/Ibarra) to approve the FY26 Individual Artist Projects Grant Guidelines with edits.  
**Vote:** Ayes — Anno, Bachrach, Blecher, Bullwinkel, Covarrubias, Ibarra, Pineda, Woo; Nays — None; Abstain — None; Absent — None.  
**Public Comment:** None
- f) **Action Item:** FY26 Arts Programs Grant Guidelines  
M/S/C (Anno/Pineda) to approve the FY26 Arts Programs Grant Guidelines with edits.  
**Vote:** Ayes — Anno, Bachrach, Blecher, Bullwinkel, Covarrubias, Ibarra, Pineda, Woo; Nays — None; Abstain — None; Absent — None.

**Public Comment:** None

- g) **Action Item:** FY26 Community Festivals Grant Guidelines  
M/S/C (Ibarra/Bullwinkel) to approve the FY26 Community Festivals Grant Guidelines with edits.  
**Vote:** Ayes — Anno, Bachrach, Blecher, Bullwinkel, Covarrubias, Ibarra, Pineda, Woo; Nays — None; Abstain — None; Absent — None.  
**Public Comment:** None
  
- h) **Action Item:** FY26 General Operating Support Grant Guidelines  
M/S/C (Anno/Ibarra) to approve the FY26 General Operating Support Grant Guidelines with edits.  
**Vote:** Ayes — Anno, Bachrach, Blecher, Bullwinkel, Covarrubias, Ibarra, Pineda, Woo; Nays — None; Abstain — None; Absent — None.  
**Public Comment:** None
  
- i) **Action Item:** FY26 Grant Review Panelists Approval  
M/S/C (Pineda/Covarrubias) to approve the FY26 Grant Review Panelists.  
**Vote:** Ayes — Anno, Bachrach, Blecher, Bullwinkel, Covarrubias, Pineda, Woo; Nays — None; Abstain — Ibarra; Absent — None.  
**Public Comment:** None
  
- j) **Action Item:** Civic Arts Commission 2025 Meeting Schedule  
M/S/C (Ibarra/Pineda) to approve the Civic Arts Commission 2025 Meeting Schedule.  
**Vote:** Ayes — Bachrach, Blecher, Bullwinkel, Covarrubias, Ibarra, Pineda, Woo; Nays — None; Abstain — Anno; Absent — None.  
**Public Comment:** None
  
- k) **Report:** Waterfront Specific Plan – Inclusion of Public Art language  
**Public Comment:** None

## 7. STAFF REPORT

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

## 8. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a) Grants – No Update

- b) Public Art – Seeks Commissioner
- c) Policy Subcommittee – No Update
- d) Joint Subcommittee with Housing Advisory Commission – Commissioner Woo to be chair and Commissioner Bullwinkel to step down
- e) Representative on Design Review Committee – No Update

**9. COMMUNICATION:** None

**10. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**Action Item:** Draft Minutes of October 30, 2024 Meeting

M/S/C (Anno/Bullwinkel) to approve the Draft Minutes of October 30, 2024 Meeting.

**Vote:** Ayes — Anno, Bachrach, Blecher, Bullwinkel, Covarrubias, Ibarra, Pineda, Woo; Nays — None; Abstain — None; Absent — None.

**Public Comment:** None

**11. ADJOURNMENT:** 7:58 PM

M/S/C (Anno/Bullwinkel) to adjourn.

**Vote:** Ayes — Anno, Bachrach, Blecher, Bullwinkel, Covarrubias, Ibarra, Pineda, Woo; Nays — None; Abstain — None; Absent — None.

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