



Civic Arts Commission
Office of Economic Development

Minutes Civic Arts Commission – Special Meeting

Saturday, February 9 at 12:00 – 5:00 p.m.
East Bay Media Center, 1939 Addison St, Berkeley, CA 94704

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1. **Call to Order**
12:00 PM
2. **Roll Call**
Present: Kim Anno, Dana Blecher, Lisa Bullwinkel, Modesto Covarrubias, Liz Ozol, Matthew Passmore, Jennifer Ross, John Slattery
Absence: Hiroko Tamano (unexcused)
Staff: Jennifer Lovvorn, Commission Secretary & Chief Cultural Affairs Officer and Mara Engelson, Civic Arts Analyst
3. **Public Comment**
No public comment
4. **Introductions (Working Lunch)** – Commissioners introduced themselves to the group. Commissioners' resumes and narrative bios were shared
5. **Orientation to the Commission and Roles** – Commissioners were oriented to the recent past initiatives of the Civic Arts Commission and the roles of Chair and Vice Chair were described and discussed.
6. **Review Commission Work Plan (Attachment 1) and Arts & Culture Plan Update (Attachment 2) and Strategize Initiatives** – Commissioners reviewed and discussed these documents which were provided as attachments.
7. **Tour Veterans Building** – Commissioners toured Veterans Building
8. **Discuss and Draft Cultural Equity Statement (Attachment 3)** – Commissioners discussed the merits of the example Equity Statements from other cities and organizations. They ultimately decided that they would like to rework the Civic Arts Commission Mission Statement to refresh in and to include equity in the mission. Commissioners Bullwinkel, Covarrubias and Slattery will draft something to share with the Commission.
9. **Reflect on Day (What was Missing?)**

10. Adjournment

5:00 PM

Attachments:

1. Approved Commission Work Plan for FY2019
2. Arts and Culture Plan
3. Example Equity Statements from San Francisco Arts Commission, City of Oakland, Americans for the Arts, and Grantmakers in the Arts

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