



Civic Arts Commission
Office of Economic Development

MINUTES
Civic Arts Commission Meeting
Wednesday, July 28, 2021
6:00 PM

No physical location; meeting held exclusively through videoconference and teleconference.

1. CALL TO ORDER 6:00 PM

2. ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present: Anno, Blecher, Bullwinkel, Covarrubias, Ozol, Passmore, Slattery.

Commissioners Absent: Dhesi.

Staff Present: Jennifer Lovvorn, Commission Secretary/Chief Cultural Affairs Officer.

Members of the public in attendance: 2

3. PUBLIC COMMENT (for items not on the agenda)

1 speaker

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a) **June 23, 2021 Draft Minutes**

Action: M/S/C (Anno/Ozol) to approve the June 23, 2021 Minutes.

Vote: Ayes — Anno, Blecher, Bullwinkel, Covarrubias, Ozol, Passmore, Slattery; Nays — None; Abstain — None; Absent — Dhesi.

5. CHAIR'S REPORT

a) No report.

6. PRESENTATIONS and DISCUSSION

a) Discussion of Council budget allocation of \$2 million in American Rescue Plan Act funds for the Arts.

b) Presentation of Berkeley Art Works Projects funded to date.

7. ACTION ITEMS (All items for discussion and possible action)

a) **Approval of July slate of Berkeley Art Works Project Grants**

Action: M/S/C (Bullwinkel/Anno) to approve the Berkeley Art Works Project Grants – July 2021 Panel Results.

Vote: Ayes — Anno, Blecher, Bullwinkel, Covarrubias, Ozol, Passmore, Slattery; Nays — None; Abstain — None; Recused — None; Absent — Dhesi.

b) **Approval of Mural Design by Cecilia Bowman for 2026 Shattuck**

Action: M/S/C (Passmore/Blecher) to approve mural design by Cecilia Bowman for boarded windows at 2026 Shattuck (funded by Berkeley Arts Works Projects grant).

Vote: Ayes — Anno, Blecher, Covarrubias, Ozol, Passmore, Slattery; Nays — None; Abstain — None; Recused — Bullwinkel; Absent — Dhesi.

8. STAFF REPORT

a) None

9. COMMITTEE REPORTS

a) Grants — No meeting in the last month.

- John Slattery, Chair
- Kim Anno
- Lisa Bullwinkel
- Liz Ozol

b) Policy — No meeting in the last month.

- Kim Anno, Chair
- Lisa Bullwinkel
- Modesto Covarrubias

c) Public Art — Met on July 16 to discuss the Cecilia Bowman mural design and public art for 2352 Shattuck.

- Matt Passmore, Chair
- Kim Anno
- Dana Blecher
- Modesto Covarrubias

d) Representative on Berkeley Cultural Trust — BCT's Equity and Inclusion committee is reviewing the Arts & Culture Plan.

- Lisa Bullwinkel

- e) Representatives on Berkeley Arts Education Steering Committee — Commissioner Ozol is now co-chair of this committee. The summer arts program (an initiative of this committee) successfully took place in July as part of Berkeley Unified School District’s summer program.
 - Liz Ozol
 - Riti Dhesi

- f) Representative on Design Review Committee — Commissioner Covarrubias plans to attend the next two Design Review Committee meetings and then Commissioner Blecher has volunteered to become the Commission’s representative to this committee.
 - Modesto Covarrubias

- g) Representative on Ad-Hoc Artists Affordable Housing Committee — Commissioner Anno reported that this committee has been active meeting with Council members and would like to write a grant to bring on an intern to support the committee’s efforts.
 - Kim Anno

10. COMMUNICATION

- a) Commission Resources from Clerk’s Office

11. ADJOURNMENT Adjourn 8:00 PM

Action: M/S/C (Bullwinkel/Blecher) to adjourn commission meeting.

Vote: Ayes — Anno, Blecher, Bullwinkel, Covarrubias, Ozol, Passmore, Slattery; Nays — None; Abstain — None; Absent — Dhesi.

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