



Civic Arts Commission  
Office of Economic Development

**MEETING MINUTES**  
**Civic Arts Commission Meeting**  
**Wednesday, December 8, 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 (arrived at 6:02pm), Blecher, Bullwinkel, Covarrubias, Dhési, Ozol, Passmore, Slattery, Woo.

**Commissioners Absent:** None

**Staff Present:** Jennifer Lovvorn, Commission Secretary/Chief Cultural Affairs Officer; Donnaracia Scurry, Civic Arts Analyst; Eleanor Hollander, Economic Development Manager, and Kieron Slaughter, Chief Development Strategist.

**Members of the public in attendance:** 7

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

1 speaker

**4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

a) **October 27, 2021 Draft Minutes**

**Action:** M/S/C (Blecher/Anno) to approve the October 27, 2021 Minutes.

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

**5. CHAIR'S REPORT**

a) The Chair thanked John Slattery for his service on the Civic Arts Commission.

b) The Chair summarized the 2021 Civic Arts activities.

**6. PRESENTATIONS and DISCUSSION**

- a) Affordable Housing for Artists and Cultural Workers: Presentation of Survey Findings and Recommendations, by Anh Dao-Shah and Asif Majid

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

- a) **Measure T1 Phase 2 Project Sites**

**Action:** M/S/C (Bullwinkel/Passmore) to approve implementing public art at the following four Measure T1 Phase 2 project sites: African American Holistic Resource Center, MLK Jr. Youth Services Center, South Berkeley Senior Center, and Willard Park Clubhouse Replacement Project.

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

- b) **Alternate Civic Arts Commission representative to the Design Review Committee for one meeting in February 2022**

**Action:** M/S/C (Blecher/Bullwinkel) to approve Cameron Woo as the Civic Arts Commission's representative to the Design Review Committee for one meeting in February 2022.

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

- c) **Approval of purchase of artwork by Susan Duhan Felix from the current Civic Center Exhibition for \$500**

**Action:** M/S/C (Bullwinkel/Passmore) to approve purchase of artwork by Sussan Duhan Felix from the current Civic Center Exhibition for \$500.

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

8. **STAFF REPORT**

- a) Staff reported that the Berkeley Arts Recovery Grants application deadline is December 9.<sup>h</sup> If the number of applications received is lower than expected, staff will consider extending the deadline.

9. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- a) Grants — No updates from Grants Committee this month.

- John Slattery, Chair
- Lisa Bullwinkel
- Liz Ozol

- b) Policy — Committee met and discussed the American Rescue Plan Act funds for individual

artists and would like to explore working with an outside partner to ensure that the grant program is launched as soon as possible.

- Kim Anno, Chair
- Lisa Bullwinkel
- Modesto Covarrubias

c) Public Art — Met on December 6<sup>th</sup> to review Measure T1 Phase 2 Project sites and the purchase of artwork by Susan Duhan Felix.

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

d) Representative on Berkeley Cultural Trust — Berkeley Cultural Trust held a meeting December 8<sup>th</sup> and they are beginning a process to revamp their mission and vision.

- Lisa Bullwinkel

e) Representatives on Berkeley Arts Education Steering Committee (BAESC) —BAESC is working on a presentation regarding arts education in Berkeley. Commissioner Ozol will bring more information to a future Commission meeting.

- Liz Ozol
- Riti Dhesi

f) Representative on Design Review Committee — There were two final design reviews this month and next month there will be two more design reviews.

- Dana Blecher

g) Representative on Ad-Hoc Artists Affordable Housing Committee — Commissioner Anno requested assistance with planning and advocacy for Affordable Housing for Artists and Cultural Workers.

- Kim Anno

## **10. COMMUNICATION**

## **11. ADJOURNMENT** Adjourn 8:12 PM

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

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

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