



Civic Arts Commission  
Office of Economic Development

**MEETING MINUTES**  
**Civic Arts Commission Meeting**  
**Wednesday, October 27, 2021**  
**6:00 PM**

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

**1. CALL TO ORDER 6:01 PM**

**2. ROLL CALL**

**Commissioners Present:** Anno, Blecher, Bullwinkel, Covarrubias, Dhesi, Ozol (arrived at 6:31 PM), Passmore, Slattery.

**Commissioners Absent:** None

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

**Members of the public in attendance:** 1

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

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**4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

a) **September 22, 2021 Draft Minutes**

**Action:** M/S/C (Bullwinkel/Blecher) to approve the September 22, 2021 Minutes.

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

**5. CHAIR'S REPORT**

a) The Chair reported that the Alameda County Arts Commission has begun hosting monthly County and City Arts Partnership meetings which include arts leaders (Commission Chairs and City staff) from all the cities and unincorporated areas in Alameda County.

b) He also reported that the draft Development Agreement with Bayer negotiated by the Mayor and Council Member Taplin includes funding for the Public Art in Private Development

Fund at \$60,000 a year with a 2% increase in each subsequent year. He explained that there is an item on tonight's agenda to take action on a letter from the Civic Arts Commission to Council supporting this agreement.

**6. PRESENTATIONS and DISCUSSION**

- a) Discussion of the Measure T1 Phase 2 Project Sites. The list of potential project sites will be reviewed at the upcoming Public Art Committee meeting in November. Recommended public art project sites will be forwarded from this committee to the full Civic Arts Commission for their December meeting.
  
- b) Discussion of the potential impact of the Fair Work Week Ordinance on arts organizations.

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

**a) Letter to Council: Development Agreement with Bayer**

**Action:** M/S/C (Anno/Ozol) to approve the letter of support to City Council regarding the Bayer Development Agreement.

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

**b) 2352 Shattuck (Logan Park) Preliminary Public Art Plan, Presented by Karen Eichler**

**Action:** M/S/C (Passmore/Anno) to approve the Preliminary Public Art Plan for 2352 Shattuck project.

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

**c) Approval of Berkeley Art Works Project Grants – October 2021 Panel Results**

**Action:** M/S/C (Anno/Ozol) to approve Berkeley Art Works Projects Grants – October 2021 Panel Results.

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

**d) 2022 Civic Arts Commission meeting schedule**

**Action:** M/S/C (Covarrubias/Bullwinkel) to approve Civic Arts Commission meeting schedule.

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

e) **American Rescue Plan funds for the Arts: Grant Guidelines & BARG scoring rubric**

**Action:** M/S/C (Bullwinkel/Blecher) to approve the guidelines and scoring rubric for the Berkeley Arts Recovery Grants (BARG) to Arts Organizations and Festivals (funded through the City's American Rescue Plan Act funding allocation).

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

**8. STAFF REPORT**

- a) Grants Timelines (Arts Organizations Recovery Grant, Festivals Grant, & Individual Artists Grant)
- b) Private Percent for Art Quarterly Report

**9. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- a) Grants — Committee met with Policy committee on September 14<sup>th</sup> to discuss the guidelines and scoring rubric for the Berkeley Arts Recovery Grants (BARG) to Arts Organizations and Festivals (funded through the City's American Rescue Plan Act funding allocation).
  - John Slattery, Chair
  - Lisa Bullwinkel
  - Liz Ozol
- b) Policy — Committee met on October 25<sup>th</sup> to discuss the guidelines and scoring rubric for the Berkeley Arts Recovery Grants (BARG) to Arts Organizations and Festivals (funded through the City's American Rescue Plan Act funding allocation).
  - Kim Anno, Chair
  - Lisa Bullwinkel
  - Modesto Covarrubias
- c) Public Art — Met on October 13<sup>th</sup> to review Measure T1 Phase 2 Project sites and Conceptual Design of artwork by Amanda Gorman for 2352 Shattuck (Logan Park).
  - Matt Passmore, Chair
  - Kim Anno
  - Dana Blecher
  - Modesto Covarrubias
- d) Representative on Berkeley Cultural Trust — Berkeley Cultural Trust held its monthly meeting on October 13<sup>th</sup>. They discussed the Fair Work Week Ordinance which is being developed by the Labor Commission.
  - Lisa Bullwinkel

- e) Representatives on Berkeley Arts Education Steering Committee (BAESC) —BAESC met on October 25<sup>th</sup> and is working on a future presentation about arts education to parents and potential schoolboard members. Commissioner Ozol will share this presentation at a future Civic Arts Commission meeting.
  - Liz Ozol
  - Riti Dhesi
  
- f) Representative on Design Review Committee — The committee met in October and completed final reviews of projects at 2902 Adeline and 1951 Shattuck. The 1951 Shattuck project is considering doing on-site artwork and will follow up with staff to discuss.
  - Dana Blecher
  
- g) Representative on Ad-Hoc Artists Affordable Housing Committee — Commissioner Anno reported on the affordable housing survey findings that were presented to the Advisory Group for the Affordable Housing Study for Artists and Cultural Workers. The study findings will be presented to the Civic Arts Commission in December.
  - Kim Anno

## 10. COMMUNICATION

### 11. ADJOURNMENT Adjourn 8:20 PM

**Action:** M/S/C (Passmore/Covarrubias) to adjourn commission meeting.

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

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