



Civic Arts Commission
Office of Economic Development

Minutes

Civic Arts Commission

Wednesday, April 24, 2019 at 6:00 – 8:00 PM

Tarea Hall Pittman South Branch Library, 1901 Russell St., Berkeley, CA 94703

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1. **CALL TO ORDER:** 6:03 PM
Meeting of Committee of the Whole: 6:03 - 6:30 PM

2. **ROLL CALL:** 6:30 PM
Commissioners Present: Bullwinkel, Covarrubias, Ozol, Ross, Slattery
Commissioners Absent: Anno, Blecher, Passmore, Ross, Tamano

Commissioner Slattery departed at 6:50 PM

Commissioner Tamano arrived at 7:10 PM

Staff Present: Jennifer Lovvorn, Commission Secretary & Chief Cultural Affairs Officer; Jordan Klein, Economic Development Manager and Mara Engelson, Civic Arts Analyst

3. **PUBLIC COMMENT**
Steven Most announced the 50th Anniversary of Ohlone Park to take place on June 1, 2019.

4. **CHAIR'S REPORT**
 - a) Chair announced that there will be a new Poet Laureate policy for nominating and selecting the City of Berkeley Poet Laureate that will be developed by the Policy Committee.
 - b) Civic Arts Commissioners and member of BCT are advocating to City Council regarding Measure O & Affordable Housing for Artists and

Cultural Workers.

- c) Civic Arts Commissioners and members of BCT are also conducting budget advocacy to City Council.
- d) Festival Funding: There are questions regarding the Mayor's funding of the Book Festival versus the original Festivals budget.
- e) Civic Arts Commissioners will be working over next year and a half to develop a new Art Education Grant Category with funding from Cannabis Regulations Revenue.

5. STAFF REPORT

- a) Update on Grants Review Process: The panel reviews will be happening in early May and the scores will be presented to Grants Committee at their May meeting for funding award recommendations, which will then go to the full Civic Arts Commission in May for approval.
- b) Update on new sound installation on BART Plaza: Ed Campion's installation is being implemented.
- c) Update on Cube Space: There have been many technical challenges, but installations should be starting soon.
- d) Update on Council action regarding Measure T1 Phase 1 Projects: San Pablo Park renovations are moving forward in this phase.
- e) Update on Public Art Guidelines Revisions – This will be on the April 30 Council Agenda for approval.
- f) Update on New Funding for Art Space Study from Hewlett Foundation – Grant Award Letter for \$20,000 has been received and needs Council approval. Staff will submit this to be on the June 11, 2019 City Council meeting agenda.
- g) Presentation of the Private Percent for Art – Quarterly Update

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

- a) FY20 Public Art Budgets
Action: Covarrubias/Slattery to approve the FY20 Public Art and Private Percent for Art Budgets as presented. The motion carried.

Ayes: Bullwinkel, Covarrubias, Ozol, Ross, Slattery; Nays: None; Abstain: None; Absent: Anno, Blecher, Tomano

Commissioner Slattery departed meeting at 6:50 PM – Meeting went into Recess

Commissioner Tamano arrived at 7:10 pm – Meeting Commenced

- b) Final Art Plan - 2556 Telegraph ("The Laureate")
Action: Ozol/Bullwinkel to approve the Final Art Plan for 2556 Telegraph

("The Laureate"). The motion carried.

Ayes: Bullwinkel, Covarrubias, Ozol, Ross, Tamano; Nays: None; Abstain: None; Absent: Anno, Blecher, Slattery

- c) John Toki "s-Hertogenbosch" sculpture installation location

Action: Covarrubias/Ozol to approve sculpture installation site for the John Toki "s Hertogenbosch" sculpture to be in front of BAMPFA. The motion carried.

Ayes: Bullwinkel, Covarrubias, Ozol, Ross, Tamano; Nays: None; Abstain: None; Absent: Anno, Blecher, Slattery

- d) Commission Representative to Berkeley Arts Education Steering Committee

Action: Modesto/Ross to approve Liz Ozol as the Commission Representative to Berkeley Arts Education Steering Committee. The motion carried.

Ayes: Bullwinkel, Covarrubias, Ozol, Ross, Tamano; Nays: None; Abstain: None; Absent: Anno, Blecher, Slattery

- e) Civic Art Grants Review Panelists -- **Tabled**

7. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Action: Ross/Covarrubias to approve minutes from March 27, 2019 Civic Arts Minutes (Attachment #1). The motion carried.

Ayes: Bullwinkel, Covarrubias, Ozol, Ross, Tamano; Nays: None; Abstain: None; Absent: Anno, Blecher, Slattery

8. **PRESENTATIONS and DISCUSSION** (*All items for discussion only and no action*)

- a) Civic Center Fountain and Turtles

David Snippen and other community members presented on their efforts to have the Turtle sculptures installed at Civic Center Fountain along with landscaping for the fountain.

9. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- a) Grants – No Report

- John Slattery, Chair
- Kim Anno

- b) Policy – No Report
 - Kim Anno, Chair
 - Lisa Bullwinkel
 - Liz Ozol
 - Jennifer Ross

- c) Public Art – Reported on agenda items from Public Art meeting, which are on this agenda as action items.
 - Matt Passmore, Chair
 - Kim Anno
 - Dana Blecher
 - Modesto Covarrubias

- d) Berkeley Arts Education Steering Committee Representative – No Report
 - To be elected at this meeting

- e) Design Review – Reported on two projects that were reviewed: 2072 Addison and 1951 Shattuck
 - Modesto Covarrubias

10. ANNOUNCEMENTS and COMMUNICATIONS

- a) 2nd Annual CRPD Forum being hosted by the Peace and Justice subcommittee on the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities

11. ADJOURNMENT: 7:35 pm

Attachments:

1. March 27, 2019 Draft Minutes
2. Final Art Plan - 2556 Telegraph ("The Laureate")
3. John Toki "s-Hertogenbosch" sculpture installation location
4. FY20 Public Art Budgets
5. Civic Center Fountain and Turtles
6. Private Percent for Art – Quarterly Update
7. 2nd Annual CRPD Forum Flyer

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