



City of Sunnyvale

Meeting Minutes - Draft Arts Commission

Wednesday, August 20, 2025

7:00 PM

Online and Redwood Conference Room,
City Hall, 456 W. Olive Ave., Sunnyvale,
CA 94086

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Veith called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

Chair Veith led the salute to the United States flag.

ROLL CALL

Present: 5 - Chair Agnes Veith
Vice Chair Kathryn Filley
Commissioner Molly Kauffman
Commissioner Mariia Tkachenko
Commissioner Christina Wright

Council Liaison Chang (present on Zoom)

STUDY SESSION

A [25-0680](#) Arts and Humanities Month Project Update

Public Art Manager, Kristin Dance, provided a presentation on the Arts and Humanities Month Project Update. Highlights included: previous projects, and an overview of Art in the Park.

Commissioners inquired and staff responded.

What is the maximum number of artwork that can be accepted? While the Commission typically accepts 18 artworks, there is no strict limit. Staff will prepare additional canvases to ensure the Commission may accept more works if warranted.

What specific support is staff requesting from the commissioners? We need help getting the word out, preparing the canvases, and installing all the artwork in the

park.

Can you let the commissioners know when the flyers will be ready to distribute?

Yes, it will be ready by the end of next week.

Can you share what are the large art projects that staff is working on? Yes, there are about 15 art in private development projects underway, the art in public places program, municipal projects, we are in contract with 4 artists for the Corn Palace Park art, we are in fabrication for the large sculpture for Lakewood Library, Fire Station 2 art, Community Center grounds art, the civic center rotating art sculpture, exhibits at the senior center, the utility box art, and the Plaza Del Sol art.

Will the Fire Station art project come before the Arts Commission for review? Yes, any municipal construction art projects, and community art projects come before the Arts Commission.

Are there plans to rotate the art that is currently at City Hall to different floors? Not at this time.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

None.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Commissioner Tkachenko moved and Commissioner Wright seconded the motion to approve the consent calendar as submitted.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Chair Veith
Vice Chair Filley
Commissioner Kauffman
Commissioner Tkachenko
Commissioner Wright

No: 0

1 [25-0804](#) Approve the Arts Commission Meeting Minutes of June 18, 2025

Approve the Arts Commission Minutes of June 18, 2025, as submitted.

PUBLIC HEARINGS/GENERAL BUSINESS

2 [25-0802](#) Selection of Chair and Vice Chair

Jesus Raygoza, Superintendent of Recreation Services, gave an overview of the Chair and Vice Chair selection process.

Nominations were opened for Chair to the Arts Commission. Chair Veith was nominated. No further nominations were presented.

Chair Veith opened the public hearing, and there being no public testimony, closed the public hearing.

Nominations were opened for Vice Chair to the Arts Commission. Vice Chair Filley was nominated. No further nominations were presented.

Chair Veith opened the public hearing, and there being no public testimony, closed the public hearing.

Since no additional nominations for Chair or Vice Chair were received, a vote was not required.

3 [25-0860](#) Annual Review of Code of Ethics and Conduct for Elected and Appointed Officials

Chair Veith made a motion, declaring that the Arts Commission have read and will abide by the rules of the Code of Ethics.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Chair Veith
 Vice Chair Filley
 Commissioner Kauffman
 Commissioner Tkachenko
 Commissioner Wright

No: 0

NON-AGENDA ITEMS AND COMMENTS

-Commissioner Comments

Vice Chair Filley welcomed Commissioner Wright, and Commissioner Tkachenko to the Arts Commission.

Both Commissioner Wright and Commissioner Tkachenko thanked the other commissioners and staff for a warm welcome.

-Staff Comments

Kristin Dance announced that staff is recruiting for public art jurors. Anyone interested can go to the City's website and apply.

Jesus Raygoza welcomed Commissioner Wright and Commissioner Tkachenko to the Arts Commission as well as congratulated Chair Veith and Vice Chair Filley on their continued appointment as Chair and Vice Chair.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Veith adjourned the meeting at 7:27 p.m.