

# **Meeting Minutes**

# **Arts Commission**

City Hall 601 4th Avenue E Olympia, WA 98501

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Thursday, March 13, 2025

6:00 PM

Online or via phone

# Register to attend:

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#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Dorgan called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

# 1.A ROLL CALL

**Present:** 6 - Chair Kathryn Dorgan, Vice Chair Jacie Hoag, Commissioner Jim

Burlingame, Commissioner Coral Garey, Commissioner Katherine

Ransom and Commissioner Andrew Repcik

**Absent:** 3 - Commissioner Christen Greene, Commissioner Tracy Schreiber and

Commissioner Jay Spivak

#### 2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Chair Dorgan asked to move announcements to the end of the agenda. Hearing no other changes, the agenda was approved.

The agenda was approved as amended.

#### 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

25-0215 Approval of February 13, 2025 Arts Commission Meeting Minutes

The minutes were approved.

- 4. PUBLIC COMMENT None
- 5. ANNOUNCEMENTS None

#### 6. BUSINESS ITEMS

25-0217 Arts Walk Update

Art Program Specialist Jessica Strauss-Tomy reported information about the upcoming Arts Walk, including 117 participating venues, the highest since COVID. She also shared the selected recipients of the Art Walk Innovation Awards, and the finished poster design.

She asked for and received assistance from Arts Commissioners for map distribution, postering and chalking the Arts Market.

#### The report was received.

25-0105 2025-2026 Arts Commission Work Plan and Municipal Art Plan

Staff Liaison and Arts Program Manager Stephanie Johnson shared a few last-minute recommendations with the Commission, specifically moving half the mural project funding to 2025, and the Art Crossing funding to 2026. Commissioners agreed with the changes.

Vive Chair Hoag moved, seconded by Commissioner Burlingame, to forward the 2025-2026 Work Plan and Municipal Art Plan with discussed updates to the Community Livability and Public Safety Committee for review and referral to City Council to recommend approval. The motion carried unanimously.

25-0216 Arts Commission Schedule 2025

Commissioners reviewed the meeting schedule for 2025, and recommended guest speakers for future dates.

The discussion was completed.

#### 7. REPORTS

Ms. Johnson reported the Traffic Box and Poet Laureate opportunities had gone out, cleaning the poetry wall on West Bay Drive was a priority, and she was exploring ranked choice voting for the Plinth Project vote per former Commissioner Rose Clifthorne's suggestion.

# 8. OTHER TOPICS - None

#### 9. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:16 p.m.