

Meeting Minutes
March 17, 2025

I. Call to Order & Orders of the Day

Call to Order

Vice Chair Lynne Rosenthal called the meeting to order at 5:33 pm with a land acknowledgment.

Roll Call

PRESENT: Commissioners Manjiri Yeravadekar, Analyn Bones, Lynne Rosenthal, Jonathan Borca, Ernesto Martinez, De Anna Mirzadegan, Karen Adamski, Janett Peace, and Shelby Taketa.

ABSENT: Charlie McCollum (Excused Absence) and Alexander Nguyen (Absent)

STAFF: Honorable Councilmember Pamela Campos, Director of Cultural Affairs Kerry Adams Hapner, Director of Public Art Michael Ogilvie, Director of Arts Industry Support Ron Muriera, Executive Analyst II Tina Iv, and Sr. Project Manager Lynn Rogers (via Zoom).

II. Consent Calendar

A. Approval of the meeting minutes for the regular meeting on February 24, 2025.

Action: Upon a motion by Commissioner Peace by Commissioner Taketa, the meeting minutes for the regular meeting on February 24, 2025 were approved. (8-0-3). (Commissioner McCollum and Nguyen were absent). (Commissioner Mirzadegan abstained).

B. Public Record

There was no public record on file.

III. Reports and Information Only

A. Council Liaison's Report

Councilmember Campos introduced herself to the full Commission. She shared some of the goals within the District 2 office and the arts. Each Commissioner provide a brief introduction of themselves to Councilmember Campos.

B. Neighborhood Services Community Public Life Presentation

Director of Cultural Affairs Kerry Adams Hapner presented with a Power Point Presentation. She was available for questions and comments from the Commission.

C. Chair's Report

Vice Chair Lynne Rosenthal had no report. She welcomed Commissioner De Anna Mirzagedegan to the Arts Commission. Commissioner Mirzadegan provided a brief introduction.

D. Office of Cultural Affairs Monthly verbal report

Director of Cultural Affairs Kerry Adams Hapner provided verbal highlights from the monthly report. She reported on the South Bay Artist Summit and the California Arts Council meeting. Both events had a great outcome and were successful. The City Council provided a proclamation for Youth Arts Month. She thanked Commissioner Bones and others for their support and attendance. Director of Cultural Affairs Kerry Adams Hapner gave a recognition to the Special Events team for their outstanding work on the NVIDIA conference and working with Team San Jose. She also thanked the Commissioners who are serving on the grant panels.

IV. Business

A. UPDATE: Budget Process for FY 2025-2026 and Mayor's March Budget Message

Director of Cultural Affairs Kerry Adams Hapner provided a verbal report from the Mayor's March Budget Message. She was available for questions and comments from the Commission.

B. That the Arts Commission recommend to the City Council that the Fiscal Year (FY) 2025-2026 Operating Budget for the Cultural Funding Portfolio reflect the following recommended guidelines for percentage levels, subject to available funding: 76.5% for the *Operating Grants*, 16% for *Festival, Parade and Celebration Grants*, and 7.5% for *take pART Grants*.

Director of Arts Industry Support Ron Muriera provided a verbal report. He was available for questions and comments from the Commission.

ACTION: Upon a motion by Commissioner Peace by Commissioner Adamski, the recommendation for the Arts Commission to recommend to the City Council that the Fiscal Year (FY) 2025-2026 Operating Budget for the Cultural Funding Portfolio reflect the following recommended guidelines for percentage levels, subject to available funding: 76.5% for the *Operating Grants*, 16% for *Festival, Parade and Celebration Grants*, and 7.5% for *take pART Grants* was approved. (8-0-3). (Commissioner McCollum and Nguyen were absent). (Commissioner Mirzadegan abstained).

Commission discussion ensued.

C. Standing reports

1. Executive Committee meeting

Committee Chair Lynne Rosenthal had no report.

2. Public Art Committee

Committee Chair Shelby Taketa reported on the most recent meeting. She reported that the Committee received a final report on the One Day One Action

Climate Focused Social Engagement Project. The Committee also took action on the recommended acquisition of an artwork by Rayos Magos for a permanent display at the new Fire Station 32.

3. Commission Liaisons Report

- A. San Jose Arts Advocates – Commissioner Borca reported that San Jose Arts Advocates has a letter regarding the Mayor’s March Budget Message. They are encouraging the community support the letter by signing it. Also, Commissioner Borca encourages Commissioners to join their mailing list.
- B. SVCcreates – Vice Chair Rosenthal reported on the California Arts Council meeting and South Bay Artist Summit. She announced that the next Arts Town Hall and Conference will take place on April 1 at the School of Arts and Culture at MHP.
- C. San Jose Arts Coalition – Commissioner Adamski encouraged Commissioners to visit San Jose Arts Coalition’s website for upcoming performances and events.

V. Public Comments

General Director and CEO of Opera San Jose Shawna Lucey announced upcoming productions. She also provided an update on the *Bluebeard’s Castle* and performances at Filoli

VI. Next Meeting

The next meeting will take place in-person and virtually online on April 21, 2025.

VII. Adjournment

Vice Chair Lynne Rosenthal adjourned the meeting at 6:43 p.m.

LYNNE ROSENTHAL, VICE CHAIR

ATTEST:
ARTS COMMISSION SECRETARY

TINA IV, EXECUTIVE ANALYST II