



City Council Chambers
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MINUTES

COMMISSION ON CULTURE & THE ARTS REGULAR MEETING 6:00 P.M. September 22, 2025

CHAIR
Daniel Weiss
COMMISSIONERS
Dalia Vidor (Vice Chair)
Trevor Allen
Andrea Hernandez
Margaret Miller
Chris Thorson
Monique Shaifer

1. **CALL TO ORDER – 6:01 p.m.**
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
3. **ROLL CALL**

Present: Vice Chair Dalia Vidor, Commissioners Trevor Allen, Andrea Hernandez, Chris Thorson, Monique Shaifer

Absent: Chair Daniel Weiss, Commissioner Margaret

A. OATH OF OFFICE FOR NEW COMMISSION MEMBER

The Oath of Office was given to Monique Shaifer. Commissioner Shaifer gave a brief background, and the Commissioners provided a brief background to introduce themselves to Commissioner Shaifer.

4. **COMMUNICATIONS**

- A. Councilmember Matias reported that there was one meeting in August to provide operational gap funding for the Broadway project; prioritize public safety including the sheriff's contract with the City; use of security guards, security towers, funding to GVRD; recruitment and retention plan for officers; additional projects assigned to city staff, and goal setting 2026. Provided remarks to Commissioners to continue to use their skill sets to move the city forward. Responded to questions regarding the draft policies recommended by the Commission and other questions.
- B. Commission Secretary Report – Staff welcomed Commissioner Shaifer; reported that Chair Weiss and Commissioner Thorson are working on refining the budget in the Measure P draft proposal, and staff has forwarded the draft proposal to Assistant City Manager Haen and Interim Public Works Director Alcantar for their review and comments.

6. **PRESENTATIONS AND COMMENDATIONS**

None.

7. **COMMUNITY FORUM**

None

8. CONSENT CALENDAR AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Commissioner Allen moved, and Commissioner Thorson seconded to approve September 22, 2025, agenda. Approved 5-0.

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Vice Chair Vidor moved, and Commissioner Thorson seconded to accept the minutes from July 28, 2025, regular meeting. Approved 4-0, with 1 abstention.

9. ACTION CALENDAR

A. INVENTORY/STORAGE POLICY OF ARTWORK

Vice Chair Vidor gave an overview of the inventory list included in the packet.

Public comments by Doug Darling on the handouts he provided to the Commissioners; he's talking to GVRD to perhaps take possession of the busts and plaques of Luther Gibson, Ernest Wichels, and James Richardson if the city is willing to relinquish them to GVRD.

Vice Chair Vidor commented that Mr. Darling's request may mean that the city must de-assess the artwork, that's a reason the city needs a loan and gift policy and provided other comments. Staff commented that the Inventory/Storage policy may be incorporated into the Commission's work plan and a tour of the buildings where the artwork is stored be scheduled for the new year. Staff will send a copy of the Marina Vista list to commissioners.

B. GOAL SETTING/WORK PLAN

Staff gave an overview of the workplan list included in the packet. Discussion followed. Commissioners provided ideas for the work plan. Staff requested the Commissioners send their ideas to her no later than October 6th to be included in next month's agenda packet. October meeting will focus on the work plan and possibility creating an ad hoc subcommittee and partnering with other commissions and GVRD.

10. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Artists Registry – Keep
Commission webpage update – Part of work plan
Articles for Vallejo Weekly – Part of work plan

11. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Commissioner Allen announced the exhibits at the Vallejo Naval and Historical Museum

Next meeting scheduled for October 27, 2025

13. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn by Vice Chair Vidor at 7:49 pm

ATTESTED:



Daniel Weiss, CHAIR



ANNETTE TAYLOR, STAFF LIAISON