

AMENDED AGENDA



Agenda is being amended to change the location of the regular Commission on Culture & Arts meeting to the Vallejo Room due the unavailability of the Council Chambers

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505 Santa Clara Street
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**COMMISSION ON
CULTURE & THE ARTS
REGULAR MEETING
6:00 P.M. – 8:00 P.M.
January 22, 2024**

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1. CALL TO ORDER – 6:00 p.m.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. ROLL CALL

4. COMMUNICATIONS

A. City Council Liaison Report

B. Commission Liaison Report

5. PRESENTATIONS

A. None

6. COMMUNITY FORUM

*The Community Forum is an opportunity to address the Commission on any matter for which another opportunity to speak is not provided on the agenda, and which is within the jurisdiction of the Commission to resolve. Any interested members of the public desiring to communicate with the Commission may do so in person by submitting a completed speaker's card to the Executive Secretary of the Commission or via ZOOM:(<https://ZoomRegular.Cityofvallejo.net>), option to join by phone: dial (669) 900-6833. Enter Meeting ID: 914 0075 0676#. Press *9 to digitally raise your hand from the phone. For additional instructions on how to speak remotely during the public comment, please visit, www.cityofvallejo.net/publiccomment. In person speakers will be recognized first. When called upon, each speaker should step to the podium, state his /her name for the record. The conduct of the community forum shall be limited to a maximum of fifteen (15) minutes, with each speaker limited to three minutes pursuant to Vallejo Municipal Code Section 2.20.300.*

7. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A. Approval of Agenda

Recommendation: By motion, approve the January 22, 2024, agenda.

8. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Approval of Minutes

Recommendation: By motion, approve the minutes from the November 27, 2023, regular meeting.

9. ACTION CALENDAR

*NOTICE: Members of the public wishing to address the Commission on Action Calendar Items may do so in person by submitting a completed speakers card to the Executive Secretary of the Commission or via ZOOM (<https://ZoomRegular.Cityofvallejo.net>), or via phone, by dialing (669) 900-6833. Enter Meeting ID: 914 0075 0676#. Press *9 to digitally raise your hand from the phone. For additional instructions on how to speak remotely during public comment, please visit www.cityofvallejo.net/publiccomment. Each speaker is limited to five minutes pursuant to Vallejo Municipal Code Section 2.02.420. In person speakers will be recognized first*

A. Public Notice Display at Ferry Terminal Letter

Commissioner Vidor's draft letter requesting to relocate or locate a public display board to Ferry Building area.

Recommendation: Review draft letter and make recommendations to City Manager Office.

B. Grants Ad Hoc Committee

The Ad-Hoc Committee will provide information on grants.

Recommendation: Information only.

C. Highlighting Artists in the Vallejo Weekly

Commissioner Allen will provide an update on highlighting artists in the Vallejo Weekly.

Recommendation: Information only.

10. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Review and discuss items on the Future Agenda List

- A. Inventory/Storage Policy of Artwork
- B. Artists Registry
- C. Long-term citywide arts and culture strategy

11. Announcements and Comments by Commissioners

12. NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING DATE: February 26, 2024

13. ADJOURNMENT – 8:00 p.m.

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I, Annette Taylor, do hereby certify that we have caused a true copy of the above notice and agenda to be delivered to each of the members of the Commission on Culture & The Arts, at the time and in the manner prescribed by law and that this agenda was posted at City Hall, 555 Santa Clara Street, CA at 11:00 a.m., January 22, 2024.

Dated: Monday, January 22, 2024

Annette Taylor

Annette Taylor, Staff Liaison



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MINUTES

COMMISSION ON CULTURE & THE ARTS REGULAR MEETING 6:00 P.M. – 8:00 P.M. November 27, 2023

CHAIR
Andrea Hernandez
COMMISSIONERS
Kathy Cook, Vice Chair
Stacey Loew
Trevor Allen
Dalia Vidor
Annalisa Quismorio
Sara Anders

1. **CALL TO ORDER – 6:00 p.m.**
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
3. **ROLL CALL**

Present: Chair Andrea Hernandez, Vice Chair Kat Cook, Commissioners Trevor Allen, Dalia Vidor, Sara Anders

Absent: Commissioners Stacey and Anna Quismorio

4. **COMMUNICATIONS**
 - A. City Council Liaison Report – No report.
 - B. Commission Liaison Report – Staff provide an update on the missing bust of Madame Benicia Vallejo and respond to questions from the Commissioners.

5. **PRESENTATIONS**

A. None.

6. **COMMUNITY FORUM**

None.

7. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Commissioner Allen moved and Commissioner Vidor seconded to approve the November 27, 2023, agenda. Approved unanimously 5-0, Commissioners Loew and Quismorio absent.

8. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Commissioner Vidor moved and Commissioner Allen seconded to accept the minutes from the September 25, 2023, regular meeting. Approved unanimously 5-0, Commissioners Loew and Quismorio absent.

9. **ACTION CALENDAR**

A. One People Tribe Mural Project – Rick Weyrich and Susan Slater, Beautification Commission Report

Susan Slater gave an update on the proposed mural at the corner of Farragut and Sacramento Streets, over the train tracks, and presented the Graffiti Prevention – Mural Project Proposal by the One People Tribe Urban Consulting Group. The Beautification Commission is requesting the Commission on Culture & the Arts give their “blessing” for the pilot project. Mr. Weyrich and Ms. Slater responded to Commissioners’ questions.

Chair Hernandez moved and Vice Chair Cook seconded to recommended to moving forward in the process and endorsing the concept, with the idea this item would come back to the Commission to look at the final rendering. Approved unanimously 5-0, Commissioners Loew and Quismorio absent.

B. Public Notice Display at Ferry Terminal

Commissioner Vidor recommend the city move the public notice display from Virginia Street to closer near the ferry terminal. Randy Risner, Chief Assistant City Attorney, opined that this subject matter is outside the Commission’s jurisdiction because it is a city facility. Said a request may be made to the City Manager, who has jurisdiction over the facility. By consensus Commissioner Vidor will draft a letter to the City Manager requesting he looks into relocating or locating a public notice on the waterfront near the ferry building to allow the public to post notices about art shows and cultural events. Letter will be reviewed at the next meeting.

C. Loan and Gift Policy

Randy Risner, Chief Assistant City Attorney, reported that the plan is to take the Loan and Gift Policy to City Council in January. Mr. Risner responded to questions by the Commissioners.

D. Grant Ad Hoc Committee

Commissioner Vidor reviewed the latest grant list and saw nothing pertaining to the arts. The next NEA round will be in February.

E. Highlighting Artists in the Vallejo Weekly

Commissioner Allen said he has a list of artists; however, he would like for the Commissioners to send him their names and information. Commissioners discussed items that may be highlighted.

10. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Review and Discuss Items on the Future Agenda List

- Artist Registry – Commissioner Anders suggested that the Vallejo Arts Fund may be useful with the artist registry. Discussion on previous registry and the process going forward. Waiting to discuss when all Commissioners are in attendance.

- Long-term citywide arts and culture strategy – Discussion by Commissioners.
- Add Inventory/Storage Policy of Artwork to January agenda under Future's List

11. Announcements and Comments by Commissioners

- Vice Chair Cook stated that she would like to see more artists on the Commission
- Commissioner Vidor announced that there are a lot of holiday events coming up including the Mad Hatter Parade on December 2nd, and that the Mare Island Historic Park Foundation will be having three choral concerts at St. Peter's Chapel during December.
- Commissioner Allen reported that on December 1st at the Vallejo Naval & Historical Museum they will be a Gala, working with Mario Saucedo and the Solano AIDS Coalition for World AIDS Day; on December 10th at the Museum is the start of the historic homes tour, working with Frank Malifrando.

12. NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING DATE: January 22, 2024

13. ADJOURNMENT – 7:14 p.m.

ATTESTED:

Andrea Hernandez

Andrea Hernandez, CHAIR

Annette Taylor

ANNETTE TAYLOR, STAFF LIAISON

To: City Manager, Mike Malone

The Commission on Culture and the Arts would like to request relocating the public announcement display board, located at the foot of Virginia St. and hidden down the walkway between the buildings at Marina Towers, to a location adjacent to the Ferry Terminal at the Vallejo Waterfront. If it is decided to move the current public notice board from its current location, the wood awning would need repair. Alternately, if moving the old display unit would be prohibitive, the Commission would like to request a new public Community Announcement Board be created and installed near the Vallejo Ferry Terminal to serve the public and help inform locals and visitors about all the exciting Arts and Cultural events that take place in Vallejo.

The Vallejo Waterfront is a high traffic area where locals and visitors walk and spend time making it an ideal location for folks to get information about Arts and Cultural events taking place in Vallejo. Having an outdoor notice board, available to the public would provide a common area to post notices, create a sense of community and support our Arts and Culture creators. It would be helpful to the residents to have a community display board where they could post their events and to learn about all the various events and activates happening around Vallejo.

This request is within the prevue of the Commission on Culture and the Arts both in Purpose and Duties. To the purpose of the Commission on Culture and the Arts, we have identified that the lack of resources for local organizers to promote their events is a common problem shared by local arts and cultural organizations in Vallejo. Moving the old public announcement board or creating a new Community Announcement Board in the high traffic location of the Waterfront would help in the promotion of events and aid in audience development.

It is part of the Commission's duty to A. Promote visual and performing arts groups, and D. Support the cooperative promotion of visual and performing arts in Vallejo and the surrounding area. Providing a Community Announcement Board at the Waterfront and close to the busy Ferry Terminal would accomplish both.

Thank you,

Commission on Culture and the Arts

2.32.030 - Purposes.

Culture should be the concern of all people, a common language. Neither articulation nor support should come from the privileged elite alone. The purpose of the commission on culture and the arts shall be to:

- A. Serve the city of Vallejo as the official voice for the arts in the community;
- B. Stimulate and sustain participation in and community support for the visual and performing arts. Serve as an advisory board in making referrals to appropriate groups, and coordinating arts projects for the benefit of the community;
- C. Identify what common problems in administration, promotion and/or audience development are shared by local arts organizations, and suggest how they might be solved in part through more cooperative effort.

(Ord. 65 N.C.(2d) § 4.03, 1971; Ord. No. 1646 N.C.(2d), § 3, 5-24-2011)

2.32.040 - Duties.

The commission on culture and the arts shall:

- A. Promote area visual and performing arts groups;
- B. Participate in the publication and distribution of a calendar of cultural events;
- C. Organize periodic workshops of visual and performing arts leaders, both within the community and in cooperation with other communities throughout the area;
- D. Support the cooperative promotion of visual and performing arts in Vallejo and the surrounding area;
- E. Assist organized groups working in the fields of visual and performing arts with information, advice, and volunteer services;
- F. Advise the city council regarding public arts projects; and
- G. Record deliberations and decisions adequately to reveal considerations significant to such decisions.

(Ord. 1376 N.C.(2d) § 2, 1997; Ord. 65 N.C.(2d) § 4.04, 1971.)