



CITY OF MILPITAS Arts Commission

SPECIAL MEETING

AGENDA

7:00 p.m.

Monday, February 24, 2025

Milpitas Community Center, Room 7/8, 457 E. Calaveras Blvd

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call
4. Seating of Alternates
5. Approval of Agenda: February 24, 2025
6. Approval of Meeting Minutes: January 6, 2025
January 27, 2025

7. Public Forum

Those interested are invited to address the Commission on any subject not on the agenda. Speakers may provide their name and city of residence for the record, and comments may be limited to three minutes, or less. As an item not listed on the agenda, no response is required of the Commission or staff. However, Commission members may request staff to add the item to a future meeting agenda. This public meeting will be led with professionalism, respect, and civility, so profanity and/or vulgar language will not be allowed.

8. Announcements

- a. Commissioners' announcements
- b. Staff announcements

9. Business Items

a. Public Art Master Plan Update

Anna Talarico of Designing Local will present preliminary recommendations the consultant is making in the Public Art Master Plan and will take questions and feedback from the Commission.

Recommendation: Receive the report and provide feedback.

10. City Liaison Reports

Report from Staff Liaison

- Recent and Upcoming Milpitas Arts Programs
 - Current Phantom Art Gallery Exhibits: Hidden Talents – City of Milpitas Commissioners & Staff Art Show at Milpitas Community Center through March 1, Sujata Tibrewala: Feminism Revisited and Curvy Yoga Series, March 6-May 22, with Artist’s Reception, March 21, 6-7:30 p.m.
 - Milpitas Community Concert Band *Wondrous Creatures* concert on February 28, 7:30 p.m. at Milpitas Community Center.
 - Milpitas Community Theatre *Miss Nelson is Missing* play, March 27-30.
- Public Art Project Status
 - Dixon Landing Park (budget \$30K)
 - Historical Park Markers (budget \$100K)
 - Public Art Master Plan (budget \$80K)
- Public Art Fund Balance

Report from Councilmember Liaison

11. Next Meeting Date – March 24, 2025

12. Adjournment

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CITY OF MILPITAS

Arts Commission and Parks, Recreation and Cultural Resources Commission

SPECIAL JOINT MEETING MINUTES

6:30 PM

Monday, January 6, 2025

MILPITAS CITY HALL

455 E. CALAVERAS BLVD.

COMMITTEE CONFERENCE ROOM

MILPITAS, CA 95035

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Hekkelman called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Arts Commissioners Brahim, Cacao, Hekkelman, Oldham, Umarani, Qiu, Young
PRCRC Commissioners Ashby, Davis, Ehardt, Gomez, Jackson, Strauss, Thomas

ABSENT: Arts Commissioners Ghose, Oldham, Siruvole
PRCRC Commissioners Castillo, Reddy, Silva

City Staff: Renee Lorentzen – Director
Tegan McLane – Assistant Director
Joshua Clevenger – Supervisor
Justin Yount – Senior Public Services Assistant
Amanda Ingua – Public Services Assistant

City Council: Councilmember Chua

PLEDGE of ALLEGIANCE

Chair Hekkelman led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ALTERNATE SEATING

Arts Commissioner Qiu was seated as an alternate.
PRCRC Commissioner Ashby was seated as an alternate.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion to approve the agenda for January 6, 2025.

Motion/Second: Strauss/Gomez

Motion carried by a vote of AYES: All NOES: 0

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion to approve the Subcommittee minutes for November 13, 2024.

Motion/Second: Ehardt/Umarani

Motion carried by a vote of AYES: All NOES: 0

PUBLIC FORUM

The following people spoke under Public Forum:

- 1. Carmen Montano, Milpitas, CA

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- a. Commissioners’ announcements – None
- b. Staff announcements – None

BUSINESS ITEMS

a. Womanhood Marker Proposal for Delano Manongs

Assistant Director McLane presented a request from Arts Build Community and Santa Clara County’s Office of Women’s Policy to install one of the County’s Womanhood project art markers in Delano Manongs Park. This marker would honor Dr. Dawn Mabalon, poet, journalist, historian, and activist. Dr. Mabalon is best known for her work documenting Filipino Americans' history, including that of the Delano Manongs.

Recommendation: Recommend to City Council for or against participating in Santa Clara County’s Womanhood project, allowing installation of an art marker commemorating Dr. Dawn Mabalon in Delano Manongs Park.

Motion to recommend to City Council to participate in Santa Clara County’s Womanhood project.

Motion/Second: Hekkelman/Brahim

Motion carried by a vote of AYES: All NOES: 0

The following people spoke under Public Forum:

- 1. Carmen Montano, Milpitas, CA

b. Historical Park Markers Public Art Project

Assistant Director McLane presented the final design rankings from the Park Markers Subcommittee, which unanimously recommended moving forward with the park marker design from artist Vickie Jo Sowell. As a second option, the park marker design from Kaspari Dell workshop was brought forward for the joint body to review. Commissioners reviewed both designs and voted unanimously to move forward with the park marker design from artist Vickie Jo Sowell.

Recommendation: Recommend to City Council Vickie Jo Sowell’s design for historical park markers.

Motion to recommend to City Council Vickie Jo Sowell’s design for historical park markers.

Motion/Second: Jackson/Cacao

Motion carried by a vote of AYES: All NOES: 0

STAFF LIAISON REPORT

None

LIAISON REPORT

None

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None

ADJOURNMENT

With there being no further business, Chair Hekkelman adjourned the meeting at 7:05 PM.



CITY OF MILPITAS

Arts Commission

MEETING MINUTES

7:00 PM

Monday, January 27, 2025

MILPITAS CITY HALL

455 E. CALAVERAS BLVD.

COMMITTEE CONFERENCE ROOM

MILPITAS, CA 95035

CALL TO ORDER	Chair Hekkelman called the meeting to order at 7:04 PM.
ROLL CALL	<p>PRESENT: Commissioners Ghose, Hekkelman, Oldham, Qiu, and Student Commissioner Siruvole</p> <p>ABSENT: Commissioners Cacao, Brahim, Umarani, and Young</p> <p>City Staff: Recreation Supervisor – Ruby General Justin Yount – Senior Public Services Assistant Ann Marie Asis – Program Coordinator Rebecca Huang – Arts, Heritage, and Community Engagement Assistant</p> <p>City Council: absent</p>
PLEDGE of ALLEGIANCE	Chair Hekkelman led the Pledge of Allegiance.
ALTERNATE SEATING	Commissioner Qiu was seated as an alternate.
APPROVAL OF AGENDA	<p>Motion to approve the agenda for January 27, 2025.</p> <p>Motion/Second: Ghose/Hekkelman</p> <p>Motion carried by a vote of AYES: All NOES: 0</p>
APPROVAL OF MINUTES	<p>Motion to approve the minutes for November 25, 2024.</p> <p>Motion/Second: Hekkelman/Ghose</p> <p>Motion carried by a vote of AYES: All NOES: 0</p>
PUBLIC FORUM	None
ANNOUNCEMENTS	<p>a. Commissioners' announcements – None</p> <p>b. Staff announcements – Recreation Supervisor Ruby General announced newly appointed Student Commissioner Ashraya Siruvole.</p>

BUSINESS ITEMS

a. Chair and Vice Chair Elections

Chair and Vice Chair were nominated and elected to serve for the calendar year.

Recommendation: Receive nominations and elect a Chair and Vice Chair to serve for the calendar year.

Motion to nominate and elect Joyita Ghose as Chair.

Motion/Second: Ghose/Hekkelman

Motion carried by a vote of AYES: All NOES: 0

Motion to nominate and elect Jamie Hekkelman as Vice Chair.

Motion/Second: Hekkelman/Oldham

Motion carried by a vote of AYES: All NOES: 0

b. Phantom Art Gallery Applications – The International Women Artists Council (INWAC) and the Barbara Lee Senior Center painting classes.

Arts, Heritage, and Community Engagement Assistant Rebecca Huang presented an application for a Phantom Art Gallery exhibit for The International Women Artists Council (INWAC). Program Coordinator Ann Marie Asis presented an application for a Phantom Art Gallery exhibit for the Barbara Lee Senior Center painting classes.

Recommendation: Approve or deny Phantom Art Gallery exhibits for The International Women Artists Council (INWAC) and the Barbara Lee Senior Center painting classes.

Motion to approve exhibit for the International Women Artists Council (INWAC).

Motion/Second: Oldham/Hekkelman

Motion carried by a vote of AYES: All NOES: 0

Motion to approve exhibit for the Barbara Lee Senior Center painting classes.

Motion/Second: Ghose/Oldham

Motion carried by a vote of AYES: All NOES: 0

STAFF LIAISON REPORT

Recreation Supervisor Ruby General provided updates on Recreation programs, services, and upcoming events, as well as a brief updates on Milpitas Arts programs and Art Fund balance.

LIAISON REPORT

None

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None

ADJOURNMENT

With there being no further business, Chair Hekkelman adjourned the meeting at 7:46 PM to the next Special meeting held on February 24, 2025.