

MINUTES
Cultural Arts Commission
September 3, 2025

A. ROLL CALL

At 4:36pm, the regular meeting of the Cultural Arts Commission convened in the City Council Chambers. Chair Teodoro Lopez, Commissioner Velia Soto, Commissioner Sandra Diaz and Commissioner Jose Cano were present. Vice Chair Paloma Concordia, and Commissioner Elissa Torres were absent. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States. Staff members present were Julie Estrada, Management Analyst, and Sandra Diaz, Administrative Assistant.

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

C. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Joe Garcia email(Agendize use of Carnegie Museum for community exhibits. Suggestion for CAG to explore funding options)Abel Magaña(Supports hybrid project 4th st mobility)Roxane Trujillo(Concern crosswalk art on smaller scale)

D. REPORTS

1. SUBJECT: Presentation from Open Door Studio on their upcoming Arts events and programs.
RECOMMENDATION: That the Commission receive a presentation from Open Door Studio on their upcoming events and programs as part of their annual goals to receive a presentation from a local artist or arts group.

Roxane Trujillo presented on Open Door, will present an Art Walk on 9/6 10am-4pm in the back parking lot of Carnegie.

E. COMMISSION BUSINESS

1. SUBJECT: Appropriation of funds from the Public Art Trust for the purpose of installing intersection murals as part of the 4th Street Mobility Project.
RECOMMENDATION: That the Cultural Arts Commission recommend to City Council that they approve the appropriation of \$150,000 from the Public Art Trust for the purpose of installing intersection murals as part of the 4th Street Mobility Project.

Please click the following link to view the required Measure M pre-recorded presentation video:
<https://youtu.be/t4Gl-3jyf0M>

VOTE: V. Soto, J. Cano, S. Diaz, T. Lopez voted in favor; the motion carried 4-0.
P. Concordia and E. Torres Absent.

F. AD-HOC COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. SUBJECT: Annual Report Ad-Hoc Committee

RECOMMENDATION: That the Annual Report Ad-Hoc Committee give a report to the Commission on their efforts. Sunset date: October 2025. Members: T. Lopez and P. Concordia.

DISCUSSION: Presentation to City Council will be on 10/7/25. Commissioners will submit their pictures and bios to be included.

SUBJECT: Artist & Mural Registry Ad-Hoc Committee

RECOMMENDATION: That the Artist & Mural Registry Ad-Hoc Committee give a report to Commission on their efforts. Sunset date: December 2025. Members: S. Diaz and T. Lopez.

DISCUSSION: Follow up meeting will be sent for Ad-Hoc Committee.

REPORT OF THE COMMISSION SECRETARY

Julie Estrada reported on the Appropriation of funds from the Public Art Trust for the purpose of installing intersection murals as part of the 5th Street Mobility Project. City Council Chamber Art wall will have art with different themes for the month. November 1-3, 2025 Dia de los Muertos Altar will be showcased at the steps of the Carnegie Art Museum.

G. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

No Commissioner comments.

ITEMS FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION

1. Commissioner E. Torres-Report on artist grants provided by the City in 2025.

G. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 5:54 pm.



Julie Estrada, Commission Liaison



Teodoro Lopez, Chair