

City of Capitola

Art & Cultural Commission: Approved

Tuesday, February 11, 2025 – 6:30 PM

Council Chambers
420 Capitola Avenue, Capitola CA 95010



Chair: Mary Beth Cahalen

Vice Chair: Roy Johnson

Commissioners: Karin Anderson, Courtney Christiansen, Mayor Joe Clarke, Laurie Hill, Roy Holmberg, Jill Lengre, Esther Sylvan

Staff Representatives: Nikki Bryant

1. Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM. In attendance: Anderson, Cahalen, Clarke, Hill, Holmberg, Johnson, Lengre, Sylvan, Absent: Christinsen

2. Swearing in New Commissioners

Commissioner Karin Anderson recited the Oath of Office

3. Additional Materials

None

4. Public Oral Communication

None

5. Commissioner Comments

None

6. Staff Comments

Staff will reach out to the Monterey Railing Public Art Project committee to begin the project.

7. Approval of Minutes- January 21, 2025

Motion to approve the Minutes with the correction “Chair Johnson nominated **Commissioner Holmberg as Chair and Chair Johnson** to serve as Vice Chair”: Vice Chair Johnson
Second: Mayor Clarke

Voting Yea: Commissioner Anderson, Chair Cahalen, Mayor Clarke, Commissioner Hill, Commissioner Holmberg, Vice Chair Johnson, Commissioner Lengre, Commissioner Sylvan

8. Program/Committee Reports

Commissioner Lengre commented that the Twilight Concert Committee will meet February 26, 2025 at 5:30pm.

9. General Business

a. Commissioner Training

Training presented by City Attorney Office and City Clerk.

Public Comment: None

Motion to approve: No Action

b. National Endowment for the Arts FY26 Grants

Report given by Staff. Commissioner Sylvan requested more context of the water of fountain as part of the project. Chair Cahalen commented on the project and suggested the Commission contribute Public Art Fund to further support the grant. Vice Chair

Johnson commented on his support of public art fund contribution. Commissioner Hill commented on the need for more Public Art on the west side of the creek. Commissioner Lengre commented the grant language should include “embellishment of existing fountain and additional artwork”.

Public Comment: None

Motion to approve a recommendation to City Council to allocate \$25,000 from the Public Art Fund in support of a matching grant for the NEA Grant Application: Commissioner Hill

Second: Mayor Clarke

Voting Yea: Commissioner Anderson, Chair Cahalen, Mayor Clarke, Commissioner Hill, Commissioner Holmberg, Vice Chair Johnson, Commissioner Lengre, Commissioner Sylvan.

c. Begonia Festival Commemorative Public Art

Report given by Commissioner Hill and Staff. Details of the event were given. Staff will provide digital invitation to commission to distribute among their networks. Staff will provide social media promotions.

Public Comment: None

Motion to approve: No action

10. Future Agenda Items

a. Commission Retreat/Goal Setting

11. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:53 PM to the Special Goal Setting Art & Cultural Commission meeting on February 19, 2025.

ATTEST:

Signed by: 
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Nikki Bryant