

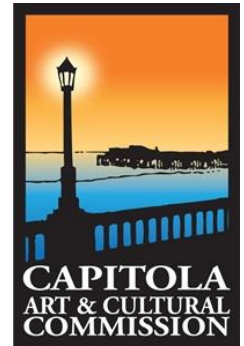
City of Capitola

Art & Cultural Commission: Approved Minutes

Tuesday, December 9, 2025 – 6:30 PM

Community Room

420 Capitola Avenue, Capitola CA 95010



Chair: Mary Beth Cahalen

Vice Chair: Roy Johnson

Commissioners: Karin Anderson, Courtney Christiansen, Mayor Joe Clarke, Enrique Dolmo Jr., Roy Holmberg, Jill Lengre, Esther Sylvan

Staff Representatives: Nikki Bryant

1. **Call to Order:**

The meeting was called to order at 6:32 PM. In attendance: Anderson, Christinsen (6:39), Cahalen, Clarke, Dolmo, Holmberg, Johnson, Lengre, Sylvan

2. **Additional Materials**

None

3. **Public Oral Communication**

None

4. **Commissioner Comments**

Vice Chair Johnson commented on the Monterey Railing Project.

Commissioner Lengre commented on the new seagull of the Monterey Railing Project

Chair Cahalen commented on the BIA Holiday event and upcoming CWEP Event on Feb 22nd

Mayor Clarke commented on the Rispin Park

Commissioner Holmberg commented on the Begonia light and the Arts Councils Lunch

Commissioner Dolmo commented on Santa Con

5. **Staff Comments**

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6. **Approval of Minutes- November 18, 2025**

Motion to approve the Minutes: Mayor Clarke

Second: Commissioner Anderson

Voting Yea: Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Christinsen, Chair Cahalen, Mayor Clarke,

Commissioner Dolmo, Commissioner Holmberg, Vice Chair Johnson, Commissioner Lengre,

Commissioner Sylvan

7. **Program/Committee Reports**

Commissioner Lengre and Commissioner Anderson reported on the Plein Air Debrief

8. **General Business**

a. **2026 Art & Cultural Meeting Calendar**

Report given by Staff.

Public Comment: None

Motion to approve the 2026 Art & Cultural Commission Calendar and Goal Setting meeting to take place on Feb 10, 2026: Chair Cahalen

Second: Commissioner Lengre

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

b. Depot Hill Wharf Arch

Report given by Staff. Chair Cahalen commented on the history of the Whale Project. Vice Chair Johnson commented on returning to the arch to the artist. Commission agreed to not proceed with Depot Hill Stairs. Commission agreed to explore other sites such as esplanade park and other possible options for next discussion. Commissioner Anderson requested measurements. Commissioner Holmberg offered to provide a cost estimate of footing and rehab of arch.

Public Comment: None

Motion to approve further discussion of item, at a later meeting, once the commission has researched feasible locations and cost estimate: Commissioner Anderson

Second: Chair Cahalen

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

c. Rispin Reflecting Pool Public Art

Report given by Staff. Commissioner Sylvan clarified grant restrictions. Commissioner Holmberg suggested the pool configuration with a center drain and graduated slope of $\frac{1}{4}$ in per foot toward the drain and preference for a water feature. Mayor Clarke commented the Call should focus on just the pool and commission consider other projects in the Park once complete. Commissioner Christinsen commented on a fountain option. The Commission agreed to use existing park lighting and modify Call to Artist to reflected suggested changes. Staff to check on status of grant and add a "Future Site of Public Art" sign to the pool.


Public Comment: None

Motion to approve: No Action

9. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:07 PM to the next regular Art & Cultural Commission meeting on January 13, 2026.

ATTEST:

Signed by: 
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Nikki Bryant