City of Capitola

Art & Cultural Commission: Approved Minutes Tuesday, November 18, 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, Enrique Dolmo Jr., Roy

Holmberg, Jill Lengre, Esther Sylvan **Staff Representatives:** Nikki Bryant



The meeting was called to order at 6:31 PM. In attendance: Anderson, Christinsen, Cahalen, Clarke, Dolmo (6:34pm), Holmberg, Johnson, Lengre, Sylvan.

2. Additional Materials

None

3. Public Oral Communication

Goren Klovich

4. Commissioner Comments

Commissioner Sylvan commented on the Quick Paint portion of Plein Air and appreciated Palace activity.

Commissioner Lengre commented on Plein Air. Very appreciative of Staff and volunteers.

Commissioner Anderson commented on Plein Air and appreciated Shadowbrook.

Chair Cahalen commented on the December 6, 2025, BIA Holiday event.

5. Staff Comments

The Weathervane Call to Artist has been published on the website.

Council reviewed goals of the 41st Ave study, gave feedback on goals, The 2nd round of community engagement will include public art.

6. Approval of Minutes- October 14, 2025

Motion to approve the Minutes with the follow correction for item 8a [and the artist to notify staff of planned process and materials before working on sculpture]: Vice Chair Johnson Second: Commissioner Holmberg

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

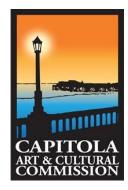
7. Program/Committee Reports

Plein Air 80 paintings, 700 visitors, \$29,000 in sales

8. General Business

a. Monterey Ave Railing Project Feedback

Report given by Staff. The artist Bruce Harman provided a presentation and specific questions for feedback. Does the commission have preferences on the order of animals and space between each shape? The Commission prefers a flowing presentation of



animals on the railing and no order preference. Chair Cahalen commented on a preference for bright color. Mayor Clarke requested adding educational interpretation for the type of fish. Commissioner Anderson commented on the shapes. Vice Chair Johnson prefers images that can be seen while driving with bright colors.

Public Comment: None

Motion to approve the artist to continue the project until completion. Once complete return for a final feedback round: Mayor Clarke

Second: Commissioner Dolmo

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

b. City Special Event Feedback

Report given by Chief of Police. Relayed feedback given by residents and BIA about the desire to have events spread out into the wing seasons. Chair Cahalen commented on the school break and cars driving on the esplanade and parking near the bandstand. Mayor Clarke commented on races and closure impacts. Commissioner Anderson gave feedback on posting notices on palm trees.

Public Comment: None Motion to approve: No action

c. Rispin Reflecting Pool Public Art Project

Report given by Staff. Chair Cahalen asked about past stipend budget. Vice Chair Johnson suggested a \$500 stipend and add the diameter of pool, remove the depth measurement. Staff to ask the Director of Public Works about lighting on the pool and incorporating the adjacent water basin into the Call to Artist.

Public Comment: Karin Hanna Motion to approve: No Action

9. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 PM to the next regular Art & Cultural Commission meeting on December 9, 2025.

ATTEST:

Nikki Bryant