



CITY OF MERCED

Merced Civic Center
678 W. 18th Street
Merced, CA 95340

Minutes

Arts and Culture Advisory Commission

Thursday, July 20, 2023

4:00 PM

A. CALL TO ORDER

Chair HAY called the Arts and Culture Advisory Commission to order at 4:03 PM.

Clerk's Note: Vice-Chair DENNIS arrived to the meeting at 4:05 PM.

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

C. ROLL CALL

Present: 6 - Vice Chair Colton Dennis, Member Rob Hypes, Member Tommy Tran, Member Gregorio Rocha-Tabera, Member Angelina Thompson, and Chair Sandra Hay

Excused: 1 - Member Maria Del Zaragoza

Absent: 0

Ex-Officio Members Present:

Member CUCCIA

Member SMITH

Ex-Officio Members Absent:

Member GARNER

Member RODRIGUEZ

D. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were none.

E. CONSENT CALENDAR

E.1. **SUBJECT:** Arts and Culture Advisory Commission Minutes of May 18, 2023

REPORT IN BRIEF

Arts and Culture Advisory Commission Minutes from the meeting of May

18, 2023.

RECOMMENDATION

Arts and Culture Advisory Commission - Adopt a motion approving and filing the Arts and Culture Advisory Commission minutes of May 18, 2023.

Chair HAY requested that the Chair and Vice-Chair titles be fixed.

A motion was made by Member Hypes, seconded by Member Rocha-Tabera, that this agenda item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Vice Chair Dennis, Member Hypes, Member Tran, Member Rocha-Tabera, Member Thompson, and Chair Hay

No: 0

Excused: 1 - Member Del Zaragoza

Absent: 0

F. REPORTS

F.1.

SUBJECT: Update on Subcommittee's Discussion on a Merced Arts District, Prospects and Proposals for the City of Merced

REPORT IN BRIEF

Subcommittee to report on proposed arts district in the City of Merced.

RECOMMENDATION

Arts and Culture Advisory Commission - Adopt a motion recommending to Council potential art districts.

Art District Sub-Committee Member TRAN gave a slide show presentation on a Merced Arts District, Prospects, and Proposals for the City of Merced.

Commissioners, Ex-Officio Member SMITH, and Senior Management Analyst Jennifer FLACHMAN discussed including South Merced, Council's direction, a Downtown District, State Grant, hearing from the communities in other districts for their input, making a recommendation to Council, and phasing the arts district.

A motion was made by Vice Chair Dennis, seconded by Member Hypes, to present and make a recommendation to the City Council at the August 21, 2023 City Council Meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Vice Chair Dennis, Member Hypes, Member Tran, Member Thompson, and Chair Hay

No: 1 - Member Rocha-Tabera

Excused: 1 - Member Del Zaragoza

Absent: 0

G. BUSINESS

G.1. **SUBJECT:** Request to Add Item to Future Agenda

REPORT IN BRIEF

Provides members of the Boards/Commissions to request that an item be placed on a future Boards/Commissions agenda for initial consideration by the Boards/Commissions.

Vice-Chair DENNIS requested to add an item regarding a policy on paying artist.

ViG.2. **SUBJECT:** Commission Comments

REPORT IN BRIEF

Provides an opportunity for the Chair and/or Member(s) to make a brief announcement on any activity(ies) she/he has attended on behalf of the Commission and to make a brief announcement on future community events and/or activities. The Brown Act does not allow discussion or action by the legislative body under this section.

Vice-Chair DENNIS spoke on upcoming art events.

H. ADJOURNMENT

Clerk's Note: The Arts and Culture Advisory Commission meeting was adjourned at 4:52 PM.

A motion was made by Member Hypes, seconded by Vice Chair Dennis, to adjourn the Arts and Culture Advisory Commission meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Vice Chair Dennis, Member Hypes, Member Tran, Member Rocha-Tabera, Member Thompson, and Chair Hay

No: 0

Excused: 1 - Member Del Zaragoza

Absent: 0