



City of Santa Clara

Meeting Minutes

Cultural Commission

10/07/2024 7:00 PM Hybrid Meeting
Santa Clara Senior Center
Room 205
1303 Fremont Street
Santa Clara, CA 95050

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CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Chair Marinaro called the meeting to order at 7:01 PM in honor of National Breast Cancer Awareness Month.

Present 5 - Vice Chair Debra von Huene, Chair Jonathan Marinaro, Commissioner Louis Samara, Commissioner Neetu Garg, and Commissioner Swami Krishnamoorthy

Absent 2 - Commissioner Abinas Roy, and Commissioner Candida Diaz

A motion was made by Commissioner von Huene and seconded by Commissioner Samara to excuse Commissioners Diaz and Roy from the meeting.

Aye: 5 - Vice Chair von Huene, Chair Marinaro, Commissioner Samara, Commissioner Garg, and Commissioner Krishnamoorthy

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Roy, and Commissioner Diaz

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. [24-980](#) Action on Cultural Commission Regular Minutes of August 5, 2024

Recommendation: Approve the Cultural Commission Regular Meeting Minutes of August 5, 2024

A motion was made by Commissioner von Huene and seconded by Commissioner Samara to approve the minutes of August 5, 2024.

Aye: 5 - Vice Chair von Huene, Chair Marinaro, Commissioner Samara, Commissioner Garg, and Commissioner Krishnamoorthy

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Roy, and Commissioner Diaz

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

None.

GENERAL BUSINESS

2. [24-981](#) Discussion and Updates of the Cultural Commission's Work Plan Goals and Activities for FY 2024/25 and FY 2025/26

The Commissioners provided updates to the work plan goals and activities. No action was taken on this item.

3. [24-989](#) Approve Cultural Commission Calendar of Meetings for 2025

Recommendation: Approve the Cultural Commission calendar of meetings for 2025 and recommend same to City Council for approval as regular meetings of the Cultural Commission.

A motion was made by Commissioner Samara and seconded by Commissioner Garg to approve the Cultural Commission Calendar of meeting for 2025.

Aye: 5 - Vice Chair von Huene, Chair Marinaro, Commissioner Samara, Commissioner Garg, and Commissioner Krishnamoorthy

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Roy, and Commissioner Diaz

STAFF REPORT

Manager Castro provided a citywide update to the Commission highlighting Comic Con on October 12 at the Central Park Library, and Spooktaclara, the Children's' Halloween Party in Central Park on Oct. 26. The community is encouraged to get involved in the community input process of the Library Master Plan and the Parks & Recreation Master Plan.

COMMISSIONERS REPORT

Commissioner Marinaro participated in the Art in Action breakfast and learned about the updated public magnet school offered by Santa Clara Unified School District focused on the arts.

Commissioner von Huene explored public art on the Queen Mary and in Long Beach while on vacation.

Commissioner Garg went on vacation to London and Scotland.

ADJOURNMENT

The next meeting of the Cultural Commission will be on Monday, November 4, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.

Commissioner Samara made a motion and seconded by Commissioner Krishnamoorthy to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 PM.

Aye: 5 - Vice Chair von Huene, Chair Marinaro, Commissioner Samara, Commissioner Garg, and Commissioner Krishnamoorthy

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Roy, and Commissioner Diaz

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