

## MINUTES

Meeting: Kirkland Cultural Arts Commission  
Time: Wednesday, January 15, 2025 @ 5:45 PM - Regular Meeting  
Location: Rose Hill Room, City Hall and Virtual

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### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Alisa Sargsyan called the meeting to order at 5:45 pm.

### 2. ATTENDANCE

Members Present: Alisa Sargsyan, Prashant Walia, Luana Hancock, Chris Lye, Mike Potter, Sage Sommer, and Maya Park-Weber.  
Members Absent: Vivian Liu  
Staff Present: Erika Mascorro, Daniel Lazo  
Guests: Elisheba Johnson, Scott Morris

### 3. INTRODUCTIONS

#### a. Welcoming New Commissioner – Mike Potter

Commissioner Potter introduced himself and his background to the Commission.

#### b. Public Works Education and Outreach Coordinator – Marisa Allison

Chair Sargsyan deferred the introduction to the next meeting, as Marisa Allison was not in attendance.

### 4. PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

### 5. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

#### a. October 16, 2024

Vice Chair Walia moved, and Commissioner Hancock seconded to approve the October 16, 2024, Regular Meeting Minutes. The motion passed 7-0.

### 6. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

#### a. Painted Salmon Installation at O.O. Denny Park – Finn Hill Neighborhood Alliance Board President Scott Morris

Finn Hill Neighborhood Alliance Board President Scott Morris gave an overview of the Painted Salmon Installation project at O.O. Denny Park. Commissioners asked questions and provided suggestions for the project.

## 7. ACTION ITEMS

### a. Kalakala Art Presentation – Art Consultant Elisheba Johnson

Art Consultant Elisheba Johnson revealed the recommended artist for the Kalakala Art Call to go to City Council for approval.

Chair Sargsyan called a vote to recommend Will Schlough's Kalakala art proposal to the City Council for approval. The recommendation passed 7-0.

Chair Sargsyan requested Elisheba send the other art proposals to the Commissioners to review in case they decide they want to go with a different alternate than the one chosen by the interview panel.

## 8. BUSINESS AND DISCUSSION

### a. Park Lane Outdoor Sculpture Exhibit – Alisa Sargsyan

#### i. 4Culture Grant Update – Erika Mascorro

Chair Sargsyan announced the amounts awarded from the 4Culture grant. DEIB Manager Erika Mascorro gave background on the grant.

### b. Support Infrastructure Committee Update – Prashant Walia

Vice Chair Walia recommended the subcommittee do a dry run of the survey on one neighborhood prior to the next meeting.

### c. Fire Stations 1% Art Committee Update – Chris Lye

Commissioner Lye shared the article "When Public Art Meets Fire Station architecture" and showed photos of the Sentinel stature at Fire Station 24.

### d. Stores to Shores 1% Art (Greenways) Committee Update – Luana Hancock

Commissioner Hancock gave an update on the Stores to Shores Greenway project, noting that Public Works will be going to the City Council in February for the Stores to Shores project, that there is no formal vote for the artwork, and that installation will be in the spring.

### e. Mural Committee Update

DEIB Manager Erika Mascorro updated the commission that the Low-Clearance Bridge Mural Project is moving forward, and that the railway logo shall not be covered by the mural.

### f. Utility Box Art Wraps – Vivian Liu

#### i. Moss Bay Request

Chair Sargsyan deferred the update to the next meeting.

## 9. GOOD OF THE ORDER

- a. Debrief on Board and Commission Training – Alisa Sargsyan

Chair Sargsyan deferred the debrief to the next meeting.

- b. Report on the Role of the Commission – Alisa Sargsyan

Chair Sargsyan updated the Commission on its role, as discussed with Deputy City Manager James Lopez and DEIB Manager Erika Mascorro. Chair Sargsyan highlighted that involvement of the Commission on projects depends on where the funding comes from.

- c. Annual Report to Council – Erika Mascorro

Chair Sargsyan deferred the item to the next meeting.

- d. Employment Status – Luana Hancock

Commissioner Hancock announced her employment with the City of Kirkland.

- e. Appreciation for Carmine Anderson and her Service for the Commission

Chair Sargsyan presented the gift and card that were given to Carmine as congratulations for her retirement.

- f. Group Photo

## 10. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Alisa Sargsyan adjourned the meeting at 7:56 pm.

### Next meetings:

February 19th

March 19th

April 16th

May 21st

June 18th

July 16th

No Meeting in August

September 17th

October 15th

November 19th

No Meeting in December