

## MINUTES

Meeting: Kirkland Cultural Arts Commission  
Date: March 19, 2025 @ 5:45 PM  
Location: Rose Hill Room, City Hall

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### 1. CALL TO ORDER

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

### 2. ATTENDANCE

Members Present: Alisa Sargsyan, Prashant Walia, Luana Hancock, Mike Potter, and Maya Park-Weber.  
Members Absent: Sage Sommer, Vivian Liu  
Staff Present: Erika Mascorro, Diana Hart

### 3. PUBLIC COMMENT

- a. Lakshmi Bhagavatula from Kuchipudi Konnect promoted an upcoming performance of her organization at the Kirkland Performance Center.

### 4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

- a. February 19, 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes

Vice Chair Walia moved, and Commissioner Potter seconded to approve the February 19, 2025, Regular Meeting Minutes. The motion passed 5-0.

### 5. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

- a. Special Projects Coordinator Christian Switzer and Planner Alex Kaiser

This item was postponed to the next meeting.

- b. Utility Art Box Project at Kirkland and Lake Intersection – Government Affairs Manager Diana Hart

Government Affairs Manager Diana Hart briefed the Commission on a Utility Box Art Call for Downtown Kirkland and invited input from the Commissioners. The Commission discussed the project and the formation of a subcommittee.

### 6. ACTION ITEMS

### 7. BUSINESS AND DISCUSSION

- a. Report on Annual Meeting with Mayor and Deputy Mayor – Alisa Sargsyan

Chair Sargsyan updated the Commission on the Annual Meeting with the Mayor and Deputy Mayor, noting current and upcoming City Projects and tourism event opportunities for incorporating art.

b. Park Lane Exhibit Update – Alisa Sargsyan/Erika Mascorro

i. 4 Culture Grant Update

DEIB Manager Erika Mascorro updated the Commission on the funding and scope restrictions for the 4Culture Grant award. Chair Sargsyan touched on the timeline for the Park Lane Sculpture Exhibit and proposed changing the name of the exhibit to “Kirkland Outdoor Sculpture Gallery.” The Commission discussed contracting a consultants, budget, and themes for upcoming art calls.

c. Fire Stations 1% Art Committee Update – Erika Mascorro

No Update.

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

Commissioner Hancock gave a brief update on the status of the Stores to Shores Greenways art project, including it’s approval by Council.

e. Support Infrastructure Committee Update – Prashant Walia

Vice Chair Walia gave a brief update on the status of the Neighborhood Art Installation Location project and the Commission discussed the urgency of the timeline.

f. Mural Committee Update

i. Low Clearance Bridge Mural Outreach – Erika Mascorro

This item was included in the discussion on item 7. b. i.

g. Kalakala Project Update – Alisa Sargsyan/Erika Mascorro

DEIB Manager Erika Mascorro noted that they will be tabling at the upcoming For the Love of Kirkland event to collect community feedback for the project.

h. Lake Washington Institute of Technology (LW Tech) Art Show – Erika Mascorro

i. Location Discussion

DEIB Manager Erika Mascorro debriefed her meeting with the Facilities manager regarding where and how the artwork can be displayed at the City.

8. GOOD OF THE ORDER

a. Commissioner Attendance

Chair Sargsyan noted that she will be reaching out to Commissioner Liu for removal from the Commission due to attendance.

b. Recognizing Youth Commissioner Maya Park-Weber

The Commission celebrated Youth Commissioner Park-Weber and her contributions to the Commission during her term.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Sargsyan adjourned the meeting at 7:13 pm.

Upcoming Meetings

April 16<sup>th</sup>

May 21<sup>st</sup>

June 18<sup>th</sup>

July 16<sup>th</sup>

No Meeting in August

September 17<sup>th</sup>

October 15<sup>th</sup>

November 19<sup>th</sup>

No Meeting in December