

MINUTES

Meeting: Kirkland Cultural Arts Commission
Date: June 18, 2025, @ 5:45 PM
Location: Rose Hill Room, City Hall

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Sargsyan called the meeting to order at 5:49 pm.

2. ATTENDANCE

Members Present: Alisa Sargsyan, Luana Hancock, Mike Potter, Grace Brown, and
Hend Alhinnawi, Emmett Chen
Members Absent: Prashant Walia, Sage Sommer
Staff Present: Erika Mascorro

3. INTRODUCTIONS

a. New Youth Member Emmett Chen

New Youth Member Emmett Chen briefly introduced himself to the Commission.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

No Public Comment.

5. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

a. May 21, 2025, Regular Meeting Minutes

Commissioner Potter moved, and Commissioner Hancock seconded to approve the May 21, 2025, Regular Meeting Minutes. The motion passed 6-0.

Commissioner Potter moved and Commissioner Brown seconded to move item 6.a. to the end of Business and Discussion and become item 7.h. The motion passed 6-0.

6. ACTION ITEMS

7. BUSINESS AND DISCUSSION

a. Hand-Off of Staff Liaison Role – Erika Mascorro

DEIB Manager Erika Mascorro introduced Government Affairs Manager Diana Hart as the new staff liaison for the Cultural Arts Commission. Diana described her past experience working with the Cultural Arts Commission.

b. Park Lane Outdoor Sculpture Gallery Update – Alisa Sargsyan

Chair Sargsyan described the Park Lane Outdoor Sculpture Gallery program and updated the Commission on the status of the current recruitment.

c. Utility Box Art Wrap Art Call Update – Alisa Sargsyan

Chair Sargsyan updated the Commission that although the chosen artist and art has been approved by the Council, installation is delayed due to requests received from community members to preserve the current wrap on the box.

d. Art Administrator Request for Qualifications (RFQ) Update – Erika Mascorro/Alisa Sargsyan

DEIB Manager Erika Mascorro noted that there has been a delay with the requisition. Chair Sargsyan requested staff to discuss delaying the project to next year due to weather restrictions.

i. Low Clearance Bridge Mural Subcommittee Member Confirmation

Chair Sargsyan requested volunteers for the subcommittee.

e. Support Infrastructure Committee Update – Prashant Walia

Chair Sargsyan debriefed the commission on the art desserts project and noted that the subcommittee are currently in talks with the Parks and Community Services Department.

f. Kirkland Community Foundation Sculpture Donation Subcommittee

Commissioner Potter presented the research that the subcommittee has done around art donation processes and invited discussion on aligning the Commission's process with the current Kirkland Public Art Policy. Commissioners discussed the feasibility of the Kirkland Community Foundation's request. Chair Sargsyan requested for staff to look into the legality of accepting this donation request as an exception to the current art policy. Commissioner Potter raised the issue of soliciting for art donations and the commission discussed changes to the art donation submission form language.

g. Subcommittee Sign-Up

Chair Sargsyan invited commissioners to sign up for vacant spots on current subcommittees.

h. KCAC Donation Submission Form

There was no discussion.

8. GOOD OF THE ORDER

a. Commissioner Brown noted a request received from the Finn Hill Neighborhood Association to relocate artwork at one of their parks. Chair Sargsyan remarked that the matter should be responded to by the Park Board and requested staff to follow up with Parks.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Sargsyan adjourned the meeting at 6:58 pm.