

CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD  
ARTS AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS COMMISSION  
MEETING MINUTES  
THURSDAY, JUNE 26, 2025 – 5:00 P.M.  
WEST HOLLYWOOD CITY HALL, FIRST FLOOR COMMUNITY MEETING ROOM,  
8300 SANTA MONICA BLVD.

I. **CALL TO ORDER**

The Arts and Cultural Affairs Commission meeting was called to order by Commission Chair Moreno-Freedman at 5:00 p.m.

A. **Land Acknowledgement:** Chair Moreno-Freedman read the Land Acknowledgement.

B. **Pledge of Allegiance:** Chair Moreno-Freedman led the Pledge of Allegiance.

C. **Roll Call:**

Present: Commission Chair Dawn Moreno-Freedman  
Commissioner Heather Allyn  
Commissioner Mito Aviles  
Commissioner Dan Faltz  
Commissioner Martin Gantman  
Commissioner Catherine Lee

Absent: Commissioner Vice Chair Sigourney Gunther

Also Present: Director of Economic Development Laura Biery  
Arts Manager Rebecca Ehemann  
Administrative Specialist IV/Recording Secretary Dennice Ocegüera  
Public Art Administrator Marcus Mitchell  
Arts Coordinator Michael Che  
Grants Coordinator Eva Angeloff  
Arts Specialist Joy Tribble

D. **Approval of the Agenda:**

**ACTION:** Approval of the June 26, 2025 agenda was motioned by Commissioner Aviles, seconded by Commissioner Faltz, and approved unanimously.

E. **Approval of the May 29, 2025 Meeting Minutes:**

**ACTION:** Approval of the May 29, 2025 was motioned by Commissioner Lee, seconded by Commissioner Allyn and unanimously noting an edit by Chair Moreno-Freedman

F. **Public Comment** None.

II. **CONSENT CALENDAR**

The following routine matter was acted upon by one motion. Approval of the Consent Calendar was **motioned by Commissioner Lee, seconded by Commissioner Aviles and approved unanimously.**

**A. Posting of the Agenda**

The agenda was posted with proper noticing procedures at City Hall, Plummer Park, West Hollywood Library and West Hollywood Sheriff's Station.

**ACTION:** Received and filed. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

**III. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**A. Commissioner Outreach to the Public**

The Arts and Cultural Affairs Commission continued a conversation about methods of how Commissioners can share information about arts and culture programming with the community.

**ACTION:**

Provided feedback as necessary.

**B. Art on the Outside Subcommittee Report**

The Commission received a report from Commissioner Faltz on the Art on the Outside Subcommittee for its meeting held June 26, 2025 and considered ratifying recommendations proposed by the Subcommittee.

**ACTIONS:**

- 1) Received and filed the Art on the Outside Subcommittee Report.
- 2) The Commission approved the Commercial Business Mural Application for 7583 Santa Monica Boulevard and the WeHo Muralist Roster Application from artist Kevin Johnson. **Motioned by Commissioner Lee, seconded by Commissioner Allyn, and approved unanimously.**
- 3) The Commission approved a social media campaign to promote the Muralist Roster and expressed intent to work with architects and artists to identify public art opportunities in unexpected spaces within City facilities. **Motioned by Commissioner Faltz, seconded by Commissioner Gantman, and approved unanimously.**

**IV. NEW BUSINESS** None.

**V. EXCLUDED CONSENT** None.

**VI. PUBLIC COMMENT** None.

**VII. ITEMS FROM COMMISSIONERS**

Commissioner Allyn made a motion to add an item to the July agenda of the Art on the Outside Subcommittee to discuss commissioning protest art that reflects and supports both the City and the current moment. **Motioned by Commissioner Aviles, seconded**

by Commissioner Lee, and approved unanimously.

Commissioner Aviles inquired about what actions might constitute a violation of the Brown Act. Staff provided a general response and advised commissioners to direct any additional questions to the City Clerk for further clarification.

Commissioner Faltz congratulated Joy Tribble for curating the recent art exhibition at the Huntington Beach Art Center.

Commissioner Gantman raised a concern about the brightness of a billboard located at the northwest corner of Sunset Boulevard and La Cienega Boulevard, stating that it is distracting to viewers of surrounding billboards.

#### VIII. ITEMS FROM THE STAFF

Arts Specialist Joy Tribble thanked Commissioner Faltz for the invitation to curate an exhibition. She also shared the upcoming Summer Sounds concert dates: July 6, July 27, and August 17. An open call for musicians and performers for future events is currently open.

Grants Coordinator Eva Angeloff reminded the Commission that the arts grant application deadline is July 1. She also announced that Kol Sephardic will perform on Sunday, June 29 at Plummer Park.

Public Art Administrator Marcus Mitchell shared that artist Natalie Gonzalez will present a temporary art project in conjunction with Summer Sounds on July 6, from 4:00–6:00 PM at Plummer Park. He also highlighted *Art in Odd Places*, a citywide visual and performance art festival taking place July 25–27 from 4:00–9:00 PM, celebrating West Hollywood's 40th anniversary of cityhood.

Arts Manager Rebecca Ehemann provided updates on capital projects, shared information about approvals made at the June 23 City Council meeting and reminded the Commission of the new Subcommittee meeting schedule beginning in September.

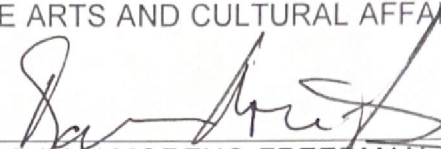
#### IX. DEVELOPMENT OF NEXT MEETING AGENDA

The Commission authorized staff to develop the agenda for the meeting on Thursday, July 24, 2025.

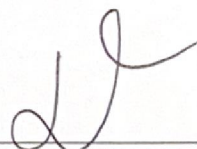
#### X. ADJOURNMENT

The Arts and Cultural Affairs Commission adjourned at 6:54 p.m. to its meeting scheduled for Thursday, July 24, 2025, at 5:00 p.m. to be held at the West Hollywood City Hall Community Meeting Room located at 8300 Santa Monica Boulevard.

APPROVED BY A MOTION OF THE ARTS AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS COMMISSION  
ON THIS 24<sup>th</sup> DAY OF JULY 2025.

  
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DAWN MORENO-FREEDMAN  
COMMISSION CHAIR

ATTEST:

  
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DENNICE OCEGUERA,  
RECORDING SECRETARY