



REGULAR MEETING of the ARTS COMMISSION
June 16, 2025, at 6:00 PM
Austin City Hall, Council Chambers, Room 1001.
301 West 2nd Street, Austin, Texas 78701

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Public comment will be allowed in-person or remotely via telephone. Speakers may only register to speak on an item once either in-person or remotely and will be allowed up to three minutes to provide their comments. Registration no later than Noon the day before the meeting is required for remote participation by telephone. To register to speak remotely, call or email Jesús Varela at jesus.varela@austintexas.gov or at 512-974-2444.

CURRENT COMMISSIONERS:

Gina Houston - Chair, Acia Gray - Vice Chair, Keyheira Keys, Monica Maldonado, Felipe Garza, Heidi Schmalbach, Muna Hussaini, Celina Zisman, Faiza Kracheni, Sharron B Anderson, Nagavalli Medicharla

AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

PUBLIC COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

The first 10 speakers signed up prior to the meeting being called to order will each be allowed a three-minute allotment to address their concerns regarding items not posted on the agenda.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Approve the minutes of the Arts Commission Regular Meeting on May 19, 2025.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

2. Report of the Art in Public Places Liaison concerning actions taking during the June 2, 2025 meeting of the Art in Public Places Panel by Commissioner Maldonado
3. Discussion on Calder Kamin's canceled AIPP corridor project
4. Discussion of the City of Austin's Art Policy goals

5. Discussion on HOT leftovers transparency request for potential emergency funding.
6. Presentation and Discussion of recommendations regarding Austin's support for independent artists and creative workers through its cultural funding programs by Jane Hervey, Founder & Director, Future Front

STAFF BRIEFINGS

7. Staff briefing on the Cultural Arts Division contract with The Long Center by Erica Shamaly, Music & Entertainment Division Manager
8. Staff briefing regarding an update on the Hotel Occupancy Tax by Matthew Schmidt, Acting Cultural Arts Division Manager
9. Staff briefing regarding The Creative Reset by Morgan Messick, Assistant Director of ACME
10. Staff briefing regarding update on the Cultural Arts Funding Programs by Jesús Pantel, Cultural Funding Supervisor
11. Staff briefing regarding an update on Art in Public Places by Jaime Castillo, Art in Public Places Manager

DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS

12. Approve the Selection Process Recommendations for the Austin-Bergstrom International Airport (AUS) Airport Expansion & Development Program (AEDP) Phase III Art in Public Places Projects – Restroom Entries
13. Approve the Selection Process Recommendations for the Austin-Bergstrom International Airport (AUS) Airport Expansion & Development Program (AEDP) Phase III Art in Public Places Projects – Amenity Lounges and Spaces for Children
14. Approve the Selection Process Recommendations for the St. John Redevelopment Site Art in Public Places Project
15. Appoint new representative to the Downtown Commission.

WORKING GROUP UPDATES

16. Update from joint Arts/Music Commission Working Group on Urban Core Issues with Commissioners Gray, and Schmalbach (chair).
17. Update from the Community Feedback on most recent release of the Cultural Funding Programs Working Group with Commissioner's Schmalbach, Houston, Keys, and Anderson (Chair)

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

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