

REGULAR MEETING OF THE
CULTURAL AFFAIRS COMMISSION
CULVER CITY, CALIFORNIA

May 19, 2026
7:00 P.M.

Call to Order & Roll Call

Chair Mesghali called the regular meeting of the Cultural Affairs Commission to order at 7:00 P.M. in Mike Balkman Council Chambers at Culver City Hall.

Present: Ehsaan Mesghali, Chair
Tania Fleischer, Vice Chair
Shona Gupta, Commissioner
Heather Moses, Commissioner

Staff: Sally Unsworth, Cultural Affairs Manager
Lee Lawlor, Cultural Affairs Analyst
Sam Lee, Cultural Affairs Analyst

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Pledge of Allegiance

Chair Mesghali led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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Public Comment - Items NOT On the Agenda

Chair Mesghali invited public comment.

The following member of the public addressed the Commission:

John LoMonaco, Culver City Symphony Orchestra, thanked the City for their support and invited everyone to their upcoming concert on June 20, 2026 at Robert Frost Auditorium.

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Presentation

Item P-1

Video Presentation of Recent Activities by Artist Laureate Victoria Marks

A video presentation of recent activities by Artist Laureate Victoria Marks was presented.

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Receipt of Correspondence

Lee Lawlor, Cultural Affairs Analyst, reported that she had forwarded a letter to Commissioners from 2026 Performing Arts Grant Program recipient Grand Performances.

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Action Items

Item A-1

Receipt of Report from CVL Economics + MIG, Consultants for the Community Cultural Equity Plan, and Provide Feedback

Consultants Ann Berchtold and Noe Noyola joined the meeting via Zoom.

Ann Berchtold, MIG Consultants, introduced the project team.

Noé Noyola, MIG Consultants, provided background on himself noting that his focus was on engagement and making sure that the community has a voice in the process.

Technical difficulties ensued and the meeting was unable to continue.

Commissioners agreed to schedule a Special Meeting on June 2, 2026 to continue with the Action Items.

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Item A-2

Receipt and Filing of Updates from the Members of the Standing Subcommittee and Ad Hoc Subcommittees of the Cultural Affairs Commission

This item was deferred to the next meeting.

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Public Comment - Items NOT On the Agenda (Continued)

None.

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Items from Commissioners/Staff

None.

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Adjournment

There being no further business, at 7:15 P.M., the Cultural Affairs Commission adjourned to a special meeting to be held at 7:00 P.M. on Tuesday, June 2, 2026.

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SECRETARY of the Cultural Affairs Commission

APPROVED _____

EHSAAN MESGHALI
CHAIR of the Culver City Cultural Affairs Commission
Culver City, California

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that, on the date below written, these minutes were filed in the Office of the City Clerk, Culver City, California and constitute the Official Minutes of said meeting.

Jeremy Bocchino
CITY CLERK

_____ Date