



Arts & Culture Commission Meeting Agenda

February 26, 2026, 4:30 PM

Edina City Hall, Mayors Conference Room, 4801 W. 50th St.

1. Call to Order

Vice Chair Zbaren called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Members Present: Ann Curtin, Tim Scully, Alyssa Fram, Alana Zbaren, Maxine Steinberg, Caroline Byrd, Jignasha Pandya, Bernadette Piacek-Llanes

Members Absent:

Staff Present: Laura Fulton, Perry Vetter, Rachel Finberg

3. Approval of Meeting Agenda

Zbaren requested to add Art Grant recipient Dr. Ann Marie Leland to the Agenda. Leland added to Special Presentations.

4. Approval of Meeting Minutes

Motion **Commissioner Curtin made a motion to approve meeting minutes from January 22 ACC meeting. Motion seconded by Commissioner Piacek-Llanes.**

Ayes: Ann Curtin, Tim Scully, Alyssa Fram, Alana Zbaren, Maxine Steinberg, Caroline Byrd, Jignasha Pandya, Bernadette Piacek-Llanes

Nays: None

Motion

4.1. Minutes

5. Special Recognitions and Presentations

Agenda Item added: Dr. Ann Marie Leland presented to Commission about the new mural that was installed at the Edina Early Learning Center.

5.1. Minneapolis-St. Paul International Film Festival Overview

Megan Feeney presented information about the history of the Minneapolis St. Paul International Film Festival (MSPIFF). She then shared information about the upcoming film festival to be held April 8-19, 2026. MSPIFF will have multiple volunteer opportunities for commissioners during the event.

5.2. Fred Richard Park Update and Public Art Discussion

Rachel Finberg presented on the Fred Richards Park Update and shared images of what the site will look like in the future. She then presented the opportunity for public art at the park. Commission discussed potential opportunities.

6. Community Comment

7. Reports/Recommendations

7.1. 2025/2026 Workplan Updates

Initiative 1.1.1: Art Center Colocation at Southdale Library
Fulton updated Commission members on construction.

Initiative 1.1.2: Edina Art Grant Program

Fram reported on the 2025 Art Grant survey.

Commission discussed the process for the 2026 call for submissions.

Initiative 1.1.3 Review Public Art Opportunities for New City Facilities and Locations
No updates at this time.

Initiative 1.1.4: Commission Participation in Community Events
Commission discussed participating in the Fourth of July Parade and the Fall into the Arts Festival.

Initiative 1.1.5: Utility Box Art Wrap Program
Fulton updated commission on the installation of the utility boxes

7.2. Officer Elections

The commission nominated Alana Zbaren to serve as the 2026/2027 Chair of the Edina Arts and Culture Commission.

Commissioner Byrd made a motion to approve. Motion seconded by Commissioner Pandya.

Ayes: Ann Curtin, Tim Scully, Alyssa Fram, Alana Zbaren, Maxine Steinberg, Caroline Byrd, Jignasha Pandya, Bernadette Piacek-Llanes

Nays: None

Motion Passed

The commission nominated Alyssa Fram to serve as the 2026/2027 Vice Chair of the Edina Arts and Culture Commission.

Commissioner Curtin made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Scully, to approve.

Ayes: Ann Curtin, Tim Scully, Alyssa Fram, Alana Zbaren, Maxine Steinberg, Caroline Byrd, Jignasha Pandya, Bernadette Piacek-Llanes

Nays: None

Motion Passed

8. Chair and Member Comments

9. Staff Comments

9.1. Upcoming Meetings & Events

Fulton discussed upcoming meetings and events.

9.2. Upcoming Programming at the Edina Art Center

10. Adjournment