



Arts & Culture Commission Meeting Agenda

May 28, 2026, 4:30 PM

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

1. Call to Order

Chair Zbaren called the meeting to order at 4:34 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Members Present: Ann Curtin, Tim Scully, Laura Westlund, Alyssa Fram, Alana Zbaren, Maxine Steinberg, Caroline Byrd, Jignasha Pandya, Bernadette Picek-Llanes, Alvie Buzar Barua (s)

Members Absent: Julia Peterson (s)

Staff Present: Laura Fulton, Recreation Supervisor

3. Approval of Meeting Agenda

Commissioner Curtin made a motion to approve the meeting agenda. Motion seconded by Commissioner Westlund.

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

Nays: None

Motion passes

4. Approval of Meeting Minutes

Commissioner Fram made a motion to approve the meeting minutes. Motion seconded by Commissioner Scully.

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

Nays: None

Motion Passed

4.1. Minutes

5. Special Recognitions and Presentations

6. Community Comment

7. Reports/Recommendations

7.1. ACC Workplan Updates

2026 Arts and Culture Workplan:

Initiative 1.1.1: Art Center Colocation at Southdale Library

Fulton presented about the progress of the new art center and Hennepin County Library building.

Commissioners discussed community engagement.

Initiative 1.1.2: Edina Art Grant Program

1) Fram presented the grant program details.

2) Pandya shared information about the AAPI Festival. The festival was very successful.

3) Picek Yannes met with Director Sorenson at the 50th and France Association to discuss the Edina Art Fair and the Emerging Artists booth. There are ten Emerging Artists showing and selling this year. Picek-Yannes also spoke with Sorenson about the concert series and student performers.

4) Fram reported on the Morningside Theater Company. The first performance kicks off on June 6. They will

host 5 performances outdoors at Nolan Mains.

Initiative 1.1.3 Review Public Art Opportunities for New City Facilities and Locations
No new information to report.

Initiative 1.1.4: Commission Participation in Community Events

1) Byrd reported on event participation. The commission plans to participate at AAPI Festival, Juneteenth, 4th of July Parade and the Fall into the Arts Festival to promote art in Edina.

2) Scully led discussion on participation in the 4th of July Parade.

Initiative 1.1.5: Utility Box Art Wrap Program

Fulton reported that the remaining two utility boxes are set to be wrapped this summer.

7.2. 2027/2028 Workplan Discussion

The commission began discussing the development of a work plan for 2027/2028.

8. Chair and Member Comments

No comments

9. Staff Comments

Fulton announced that classes for summer session are beginning in June.

9.1. Upcoming Meetings & Events

10. Adjournment

Commissioner Byrd made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:49 p.m. Motion seconded by Commissioner Steinberg.

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

Nays: None

Motion Passed