



EDINA
MINNESOTA

Arts & Culture Commission Meeting Agenda

July 23, 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 4:32 p.m.

2. Roll Call

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

Members Absent: Student Commissioners Alvie Buzar Barua and Julia Peterson

Staff Present: Laura Fulton

3. Approval of Meeting Agenda

Commissioner Fram made a motion to approve 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 Piatek-Llanes

Nays: None

Motion Passed

4. Approval of Meeting Minutes

4.1. Minutes

Commissioner Steinberg made a motion to approve 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 Piatek-Llanes

Nays: None

Motion Passed

5. Special Recognitions and Presentations

5.1. 50th and France Art Grant Presentation

Rebecca Sorenson, Executive Director of the 50th and France Business Association, presented on the Art Grant received for the Emerging Artist Booth at the Edina Art Fair.

5.2. Edina Asian American Alliance Art Grant Presentation

Kelly Condit-Shrestha and Salaar Karimi presented about the Edina Art Grant received by the

Edina Asian American Alliance for the AAPI festival held in May.

6. Community Comment

7. Reports/Recommendations

7.1. 2025/2026 Workplan Update

Initiative 1.1.1: Art Center Colocation at Southdale Library

Fulton reported

Initiative 1.1.2: Edina Art Grant Program

Fram reported that there are two art grant recipient events happening before the end of the summer. She

also mentioned that art grant mentors will follow up with the grantees for end of event data collection.

Initiative 1.1.3 Review Public Art Opportunities for New City Facilities and Locations

Nothing to report.

Initiative 1.1.4: Commission Participation in Community Events

Byrd reported on the success of the 4th of July parade. The Commission discussed the Fall into the Arts Festival.

7.2. Discussion on 2027/2028 Arts and Culture Commission Work Plan

Chair Zbaren led Commissioners in an exercise to brainstorm the 2027/2028 work plan. Commissioners participated in a post-it note brainstorming session.

8. Chair and Member Comments

9. Staff Comments

9.1. Upcoming Meetings & Events

10. Adjournment

Commissioner Curtin made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:25pm. Motion seconded by Commissioner Byrd.

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

Nays: None

Motion Passed