

NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING

Pursuant to Section 54954.2 of the Government Code of the State of California, a Regular Meeting of the **TRACY ARTS COMMISSION** is hereby called for:

Date/Time: **Tuesday, July 8, 2025, 7:00 p.m.**
(or as soon thereafter as possible)

Location: **Grand Theatre Center for the Arts, Visual Arts 1**
715 Central Avenue, Tracy, CA 95376

Government Code Section 54954.3 states that every public meeting shall provide an opportunity for the public to address the Tracy Arts Commission on any item, before or during consideration of the item, however, no action shall be taken on any item not on the agenda.

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Items from the Audience - *In accordance with Procedures for Preparation, Posting and Distribution of Agendas and the Conduct of Public Meetings, adopted by Resolution 2019-240, any item not on the agenda brought up by the public at a meeting shall be automatically referred to staff. If staff is not able to resolve the matter satisfactorily, the member of the public may request a Tracy Arts Commission member to sponsor the item for discussion at a future meeting.*
4. Approval of Minutes from the Special Meeting of the Civic Art Subcommittee of April 9, 2025
5. Approval of Minutes from the Meeting of May 13, 2025
6. Approval of Minutes from the Special Meeting of the Civic Art Subcommittee of May 14, 2025
7. Approval of Minutes from the Special Meeting of the Civic Art Subcommittee of May 21, 2025
8. Approval of Minutes from the Meeting of June 10, 2025
9. Approval of Minutes from the Special Meeting of the Civic Art Subcommittee of June 18, 2025
10. New Business
 - A. Review and Approve Multi-Generational Recreation Center and El Pescadero Park Project Civic Art Subcommittee Recommendations
11. Items from the Commission
12. Items from Staff
13. Adjournment

POSTED: Thursday, July 3, 2025

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TRACY ARTS COMMISSION – CIVIC ART SUBCOMMITTEE
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
April 9, 2025, 4:30 p.m.

Grand Theatre Center for the Arts, 715 Central Avenue

The meeting was called to order at 4:37 p.m.

Roll call found Commissioners Lees and Reis present.

Staff Present: William Wilson, Cultural Arts Supervisor

Recorded By: William Wilson, Cultural Arts Supervisor

1. ITEMS FROM THE AUDIENCE

None.

2. MULTI-GENERATIONAL RECREATION CENTER AND EL PESCADERO PARK PROJECT – CIVIC ART SUBCOMMITTEE PROJECT TEAM INTRODUCATIONS

Commissioner Lees, Commissioner Reis, and invited Project Team members Catherine Hawkins (North School Teacher) and Susan Hawkins (North School Principal), Cory Morrison (local artist and arts educator) introduced themselves to the group. Each member spoke about their interest in the project. CAS Wilson explained that Catherine and Susan will work collaboratively as a stakeholder and represent one evaluation in the process. As Matt Shrout (Parks & Community Services Commission Chair) was unable to attend, CAS Wilson will make arrangements to meet and prepare him for the next meeting.

3. MULTI-GENERATIONAL RECREATION CENTER AND EL PESCADERO PARK PROJECT ORIENTATION

CAS Wilson provided the Staff Report outlining the history of the project from 2018 to the present. CAS Wilson provided and reviewed copies of the Request for Proposals and Civic Art Program overview to prepare the Project Team for the proposal evaluation process. Additional discussion included the goals and challenges of integrating public art on the large, new building and in the new park.

4. ADJOURNMENT – Time: 5:34 p.m.

The above agenda was posted at the Tracy City Hall on April 3, 2025. The above are action minutes. Materials distributed to the majority of the Tracy Arts Commission, staff records and/or audio recording is available in the Cultural Arts Division located at 715 Central Avenue.

TRACY ARTS COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
May 13, 2025, 7:00 p.m.

Grand Theatre Center for the Arts, 715 Central Avenue

Chair Lees called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

Roll call found Commissioners Dhugga, Jones, Lees, Reis present. Commissioner Sandhu entered the meeting at 7:16 p.m.

Staff Present: William Wilson, Cultural Arts Supervisor

Recorded By: William Wilson, Cultural Arts Supervisor

1. ITEMS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Laura Brassaw of Ripon was in attendance to speak about Item 5.A.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE REGULAR MEETING ON APRIL 8, 2025

ACTION Motion by Vice Chair Reis, seconded by Commissioner Dhugga to approve the minutes as amended. Voice vote found all Commissioners in favor; motion carried 4:0

3. CONTINUE DISCUSSION OF PROGRAMMING FOR TRACY ARTS MONTH, APRIL 2025

CAS Wilson provided the Staff Report. Commissioners discussed the outcomes of the Picture Your Poetry: A Poetry & Painting Workshop with Russell Gonzaga on Saturday, April 26 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Vice Chair Reis reported that participants completed two paintings each and feedback was positive. CAS Wilson reported that 17 of a maximum 20 students registered for the workshop. Commissioners agreed that presenting this event was meaningful in support of literary arts.

4. CONTINUE DISCUSSION AND REVIEW AND APPROVE NEW ALLOCATIONS IN THE FY2024-25 FUNDING AND PROGRAMMING RECOMMENDATIONS

CAS Wilson provided the Staff Report and continued discussion regarding the upcoming Downtown Tracy Artwalk on Friday, June 27. Ms. Brassaw presented a proposal entitled Follow you heART, offering an interactive, community mural project at the Downtown Tracy Artwalk on June 27. Commissioners also discussed the possibility of presenting a screening of short film from the Crossover International Festival of Film and Art (CIFFA) to be co-presented with the Grand Theatre Center for the Arts in October. Commissioners agreed it was more appropriate to support a local artist as the CIFFA has the support of the Grand.

ACTION Motion by Vice Chair Reis, seconded by Commissioner Jones to present the Follow you heART project at the Downtown Tracy Artwalk on June 27 with a not to exceed budget of \$1,200. Voice vote found all Commissioners in favor; motion carried 5:0

Commissioners continued discussion about participant hostility at the Artwalk. Commissioners agreed to increase the quality of the food and provide sandwich boxes with beverages and cookies from Sourdough & Co. Commissioner Dhugga will place the order and schedule delivery in collaboration with CAS Wilson.

ACTION Motion by Commissioner Dhugga, seconded by Vice Chair Reis to provide participant hospitality at the Downtown Tracy Artwalk on June 27 with a not to exceed budget of \$1,300. Voice vote found all Commissioners in favor; motion carried 5:0

5. ITEMS FROM THE COMMISSION

Commissioners gave brief summaries of their activities relating to arts and culture within the last month.

6. ITEMS FROM STAFF

None.

7. ADJOURNMENT – Time: 8:21 p.m.

ACTION Motion by Commissioner Sandhu, seconded by Vice Chair Reis to adjourn. Roll call vote found all in favor; passed and so ordered.

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TRACY ARTS COMMISSION – CIVIC ART SUBCOMMITTEE
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
May 14, 2025, 4:30 p.m.

Grand Theatre Center for the Arts, 715 Central Avenue

The meeting was called to order at 4:32 p.m.

Roll call found Commissioners Lees and Reis present. Multi-Generational Recreation Center and El Pescadero Park Project – Civic Art Subcommittee Project Team members Catherine and Susan Hawkins, Cory Morrison and Matt Shrout were present.

Staff Present: William Wilson, Cultural Arts Supervisor

Recorded By: William Wilson, Cultural Arts Supervisor

1. ITEMS FROM THE AUDIENCE

None.

**2. MULTI-GENERATIONAL RECREATION CENTER AND EL PESCADERO PARK
PROJECT REVIEW OF PROPOSALS**

CAS Wilson provided the Staff Report and distributed proposal review worksheets and copies of 19 proposals. CAS Wilson reviewed the evaluation categories, definitions and scoring. Project Team members worked to complete the worksheets. CAS Wilson advised Commissioners Lees and Reis will meet on May 21 to complete their worksheets. A collective meeting to complete the review process, including recommendations for finalists, will be scheduled in June.

3. ADJOURNMENT – Time: 6:30 p.m.

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TRACY ARTS COMMISSION – CIVIC ART SUBCOMMITTEE
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
May 21, 2025, 4:30 p.m.

Grand Theatre Center for the Arts, 715 Central Avenue

The meeting was called to order at 4:36 p.m.

Roll call found Commissioners Lees and Reis present.

Staff Present: William Wilson, Cultural Arts Supervisor

Recorded By: William Wilson, Cultural Arts Supervisor

1. ITEMS FROM THE AUDIENCE

None.

2. MULTI-GENERATIONAL RECREATION CENTER AND EL PESCADERO PARK
PROJECT REVIEW OF PROPOSALS

CAS Wilson provided the Staff Report and distributed proposal review worksheets. Commissioners Lees and Reis worked to complete their worksheets. CAS Wilson will work to schedule a Project Team meeting on June 18 to collectively complete the review of proposals and form recommendations.

3. ADJOURNMENT – Time: 6:30 p.m.

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TRACY ARTS COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
June 10, 2025, 7:00 p.m.

Grand Theatre Center for the Arts, 715 Central Avenue

Chair Lees called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

Roll call found Commissioners Jones, Lees, Reis and Sandhu present. Commissioner Dhugga was absent.

Staff Present: William Wilson, Cultural Arts Supervisor

Recorded By: William Wilson, Cultural Arts Supervisor

1. ITEMS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Laura Brassaw of Ripon was in attendance to speak about Item 4.A. Tiffanie Heben of Tracy was in attendance.

2. CONTINUE DISCUSSION AND REVIEW AND APPROVE NEW ALLOCATIONS IN THE FY2024-25 FUNDING AND PROGRAMMING RECOMMENDATIONS

CAS Wilson provided the Staff Report and Commissioners continued discussion. Ms. Brassaw provided an updated proposal for the Follow your heART, interactive community mural project, to be presented at the Downtown Tracy Artwalk on June 27. Commissioners voiced their support of the mural design and encouraged marketing through social media. Staff will work to coordinate social media promotions with the artist.

Commissioner Dhugga reported the Artwalk participant hospitality order had been placed with Sourdough & Co.

3. ITEMS FROM THE COMMISSION

Commissioners gave brief summaries of their activities relating to arts and culture within the last month.

4. ITEMS FROM STAFF

CAS Wilson provided at 2024 Re-Granting Program final report from Tracy Friends of the Library (TFOL). Ms. Heben advised she was at the meeting representing the organization and expressed gratitude to the Tracy Arts Commission. She explained the grant supported greater promotion and resulted in more submissions. CAS Wilson asked if the poetry reading and awards event has outgrown the Studio Theatre. Ms. Heben expressed the goal forward to have more community involvement, and that they may outgrow the venue. Staff agreed to continue dialogue with TFOL to explore other presentation options in the 2025-26 Season.

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5. ADJOURNMENT – Time: 7:48 p.m.

ACTION Motion by Vice Chair Reis, seconded by Commissioner Sandhu to adjourn. Roll call vote found all in favor; passed and so ordered.

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TRACY ARTS COMMISSION – CIVIC ART SUBCOMMITTEE
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
June 18, 2025, 4:30 p.m.

Grand Theatre Center for the Arts, 715 Central Avenue

The meeting was called to order at 4:56 p.m.

Roll call found Commissioners Lees and Reis present. Multi-Generational Recreation Center and El Pescadero Park Project – Civic Art Subcommittee Project Team members Catherine and Susan Hawkins, Cory Morrison and Matt Shrout were present.

Staff Present: William Wilson, Cultural Arts Supervisor

Recorded By: William Wilson, Cultural Arts Supervisor

1. ITEMS FROM THE AUDIENCE

None.

2. MULTI-GENERATIONAL RECREATION CENTER AND EL PESCADERO PARK
PROJECT REVIEW OF PROPOSALS

CAS Wilson provided the Staff Report and distributed proposal review worksheets. CAS Wilson provided a summary of the public interest feedback, with 94 surveys received between May 5 and June 18. Surveys will continue to be collected through July 3 in preparation for the Tracy Arts Commission meeting on July 8. CAS Wilson provided historical documentation concerning the naming of El Pescadero Park in 1966.

CAS Wilson recorded the proposal review worksheet scores from each member of the Project Team. The Project Team discussed and completed their evaluation of 19 proposals in consideration of project goals, environment, building and park features, technical considerations and budget. The Project Team agreed to the following recommendations identifying these proposals as finalists for the Multi-Generational Recreation Center and El Pescadero Park Project:

Project	#15 - People of Tracy
Artist	Robert L. Delgado, Los Angeles, CA
Location	A5 South Courtyard Wall
Budget	\$50,000

Project	#13 - Atabey's Treasure
Artist	NiNo Alicea, Los Angeles, CA
Location	A3 El Pescadero Park Crossroads
Budget	\$188,750

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Project #07 - Siblings
Artist James Phillips, Lincoln, CA
Location A5 South Courtyard
Budget \$12,350

Project #08 – Tonalquizayampa (Sunrise) **
Artist Jay Yan Studios, Inc, Los Angeles, CA
Location A1 West Facade Wall
Budget \$300,000

** The Project Team recommended one of two mosaic murals. As the recommendation represents half of the proposal submitted – Tonalquizayampa (Sunrise) and Tonalpolihuiyampa (Sunset) with a total budget of \$600,000 – two alternate projects were recommended in the event that the artist declined the option to alter the proposal.

Alternate Option 01:

Project #01 – Yokuts Ancestral Feathers **
Artist Adrian Litman, Santa Rosa, CA
Location A2 West Congregation Space
Budget \$104,400

** The Project Team recommended this proposal as the first alternate option, with the direction to work with the artist to increase the scale of the sculpture to have more impact, including casting shadows and colors (with lighting) on the west facade wall. If the artist declines the option to alter the proposal, then the recommendation is proceed with proposal #04 – Open to the Wind.

Alternate Option 02:

Project #04 – Open to the Wind
Artist Andy Vogt, San Francisco, CA
Location A1 West Facade Wall
Budget \$277,900

CAS Wilson advised he will consult with Mr. Yan regarding the recommendations. The recommendations will be presented to the Tracy Arts Commission for review and approval at the meeting of July 8.

ACTION Motion by Commissioner Lees, seconded by Commissioner Reis to approve the RFP as amended. Voice vote found all Commissioners in favor; motion carried 2:0

3. ADJOURNMENT – Time: 7:50 p.m.

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**CITY OF TRACY
TRACY ARTS COMMISSION MEETING
JULY 8, 2025**

AGENDA ITEM 10.A.

REQUEST

REVIEW AND APPROVE MULTI-GENERATIONAL RECREATION CENTER AND EL PESCADERO PARK PROJECT CIVIC ART SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

DISCUSSION

In 2018, the City Council approved the Multi-Generational Recreation Center (Rec Center) as a major amenity that would be funded by Measure V sales tax revenue providing a space to serve a broad spectrum of the City's demographics, including families, teens, seniors and commuters. A new 61,300 SF recreation facility will include a 3-court gymnasium, two multi-purpose rooms, teen lounge, bouldering wall, running track, kitchen, Police Office, Parks & Recreation Offices, courtyard and deck. In addition, surrounding park improvements include a skate park, dog park, splash pad, pavilion, basketball court, nature trails, promenade, restroom and parking.

In February of 2021, the City Council hired LPA, Inc., a California Corporation to lead the design process for the new facility. On July 5th, 2022 the City Council declared El Pescadero Park as the site of the Rec Center. The project then moved into the schematic design phase. At the meeting of July 12, 2022 Parks and Recreation Department Staff and LPA provided an orientation presentation to the Tracy Arts Commission (TAC) in consideration of Civic Art projects on the exterior and interior of the facility.

Discussion continued in August and September with the TAC and Cultural Arts Division Staff, in order to provide a set of recommendations regarding the integration of public art into this facility and the surrounding area. The TAC approved recommendations including a central concept that references time, growth and knowledge as universal experiences across prioritized locations, at the meeting of October 11, 2022.

City Council has furthered development of the project, including the hiring of construction management and general contractor. Construction began in July, 2024 and a public groundbreaking event was held on September 17, 2024. The Rec Center is scheduled to open for use in 2026.

The Civic Art Subcommittee (CAS) reviewed and approved the Multi-Generational Recreation Center and El Pescadero Park Project Request for Proposals (RFP) at the special meeting of October 1, 2024. The TAC reviewed and approved the RFP at the meeting of October 8, 2024. The RFP was distributed and advertised publicly resulting in the reception of 19 proposals from 14 artists/studios.

The CAS in collaboration with City Staff forms Project Teams in support of civic art projects as needed. Project Teams include community stakeholders and experts in a variety of fields, related to civic art projects. The Project Team's recommendations (identifying prospect finalists) will go to the Tracy Arts Commission for review and approval, and ultimately City Council.

The CAS Project Team of Maxine Lees (TAC Chair), Cynthia Reis, (TAC Vice Chair), Susan Hawkins (North School Principal), Catherine Hawkins (North School Teacher) and Cory Morrison (local artist and arts educator) received orientation at the meeting of March 9, 2025. Staff met with Matt Shrout (Parks & Community Services Commission Chair) on April 24.

The CAS Project Team reviewed 19 proposals at meetings on May 14 and 21, with discussion. At the June 18 meeting CAS Project Team completed the review, recorded scores, considered public feedback, engaged in discussion and formed recommendations.

The CAS Project Team agreed to the following recommendations identifying these proposals as finalists for the Multi-Generational Recreation Center and El Pescadero Park Project:

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CAS Wilson has consulted with Mr. Yan regarding the recommendations. He has advised the two murals were intentionally designed as a dual-piece installation, in dialogue with each other as a symbolic gateway to Tracy. While executing both murals would benefit from cost savings in fabrication and installation, execution of a revised (simplified) single mural is estimated at \$400,000 – \$450,000. With this new information, the CAS Project Team's recommendations for the alternate project finalists should be considered.

FISCAL IMPACT

The total budget allocated for public art on the project is a total not-to-exceed amount of \$600,000 (six-hundred thousand dollars), which must include all aspects of the work related to the design, fabrication, and installation of the public art, for any one or up to all five locations.

RECOMMENDATION

Review and Approve Multi-Generational Recreation Center and El Pescadero Park Project Civic Art Subcommittee Recommendations

Prepared By: William Wilson, Cultural Arts Supervisor

Reviewed By: Midori Lichtwardt, City Manager

Approved By: Midori Lichtwardt, City Manager