

City of Gilroy
Arts and Culture Commission
Draft Minutes
Tuesday, April 14, 2026 | 6:30 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chair Villa at 6:30 PM.

2. ROLL CALL

Attendance	Attendee Name
Present	Commissioner Ruben Dario Villa Commissioner Subul Siddiqui Commissioner Camille McCormack Commissioner Makhan Gupta Commissioner Rabia Shahid
Absent	Commissioner Steven Porter Commissioner Wendy Zamora

3. SECRETARY'S REPORT

Staff Member Katsuyoshi reported that the agenda was posted on Friday, April 10th, 2026 at 9:56 AM.

4. Introduction of New Commissioners

1. Introduction of Commissioner Rabia Shahid and Commissioner Subul Siddiqui

Commissioner Siddiqui and Commissioner Shahid introduced themselves to the Commission.

5. ORDERS OF THE DAY

The Commission agreed to move item 9.1 after Item 7.

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Approval of the Minutes from the March 10, 2026 Regular Meeting of the Arts and Culture Commission

Motion: Approve

RESULT: Passed

MOVER: Commissioner Camille McCormack

SECONDER: Commissioner Makhan Gupta

AYES: Commissioner Ruben Dario Villa, Commissioner Subul Siddiqui, Commissioner Camille McCormack, Commissioner Makhan Gupta, Commissioner Rabia Shahid

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Commissioner Steven Porter, Commissioner Wendy Zamora

7. PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Chair Villa opened public comment at 6:41 P.M.

Greg Felios - Gave praise to both Gilroy High School and Christopher High School for how well their choral programs are doing.

With no further speakers, Chair Villa closed public comment.

8. OLD BUSINESS

1. Review of Fiscal Year 2026 and 2027 Work Plan

The Commission reviewed the Fiscal Year 2026 and 2027 Work Plan. It was decided that a Sub-Committee would be created for the Multicultural Community Days project and that they would focus on that prior to broadening their efforts with multiple projects from the Work Plan. Commissioner Shahid and Commissioner Siddiqui both expressed interest in joining the Sub-Committee.

2. For the Love of Gilroy Public Art Campaign and Unveiling Event

The Commission discussed the timeline for the For the Love of Gilroy public art campaign. The proposed deadline for artwork will be December 2026, allowing the commission to prepare their recommendations for City Council during the January 2027 Arts & Culture meeting. The Commission's recommendations would then go before the Council in February 2027 with the unveiling event being held in April 2027. The Commission decided to push solidifying this timeline until the next meeting to allow more time to determine what would be the best way to proceed.

9. NEW BUSINESS

1. Presentation from the Gilroy Museum and Approve a Recommendation to Transfer \$2,103 in Interest Income from the Gilroy Museum Endowment Trust to the Museum Donation Fund

Susan Voss with the Gilroy Museum provided a report and presentation on the Museum's activities and accomplishments in 2025. The Gilroy Historical Society requested a recommendation be made to City Council to transfer interest income from the Gilroy Museum Endowment Trust to the Museum Donation Fund.

Motion

Approve the recommendation to transfer \$2,103 in interest income from the Gilroy Museum Endowment Trust to the Museum Donation Fund.

RESULT: Passed

MOVER: Commissioner Makhan Gupta

SECONDER: Commissioner Camille McCormack

AYES: Commissioner Ruben Dario Villa, Commissioner Subul Siddiqui, Commissioner Camille McCormack, Commissioner Makhan Gupta, Commissioner Rabia Shahid

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Commissioner Steven Porter, Commissioner Wendy Zamora

2. Discussion of a Public Art Resource Document

The Commission agreed to move this item to the next meeting.

3. Update on Art-Related Funds

The Commission agreed to move this item to the next meeting.

4. Discussion of the Civic Center Master Plan

The Commission agreed to move this item to the next meeting.

10. GILROY ART-RELATED COMMUNITY EVENT UPDATES

No updates given.

11. COMMISSION COMMENTS

None.

12. STAFF COMMENTS

None.

13. FUTURE AGENDA ITEM REQUESTS

None.

14. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:22 PM.