

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, June 9, 2026, at 7:00 p.m.**
(or as soon thereafter as possible)

Location: **Grand Theatre Center for the Arts. Visual Arts I,
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. Pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.3(a), public comment is limited to only those items listed on this agenda.

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- Less than 5 requests (1-4 requests): Each speaker gets 4 minutes.
- 5-15 requests: Each speaker gets 3 minutes.
- 16 to 25 requests: Each speaker gets 2 minutes.
- More than 26 requests: Each speaker gets 90 seconds.
- For all requests submitted/hands raised after the first speaker is called (regardless of the number of speakers), the speakers shall receive 90 seconds.

Any submissions, letters, notes, complaints, and/or comments that an individual and/or entity wishes to be submitted and included in the official record for a Tracy Arts Commission meeting shall be due before 12:00 p.m. on the day of the meeting (i.e., 11:59 a.m. or earlier). Any submissions, letters, notes, complaints, and/or comments received timely as prescribed by this section will be transmitted to the Tracy Arts Commission and appropriate staff member(s), posted on the City's website, provided for inspection at the relevant Tracy Arts Commission Meeting, and included in the official meeting record. Any submissions, letters, notes, complaints, and/or comments that arrive 12:00 p.m. or later on the day of a Tracy Arts Commission meeting, while not part of the official meeting record, will be transmitted to the Tracy Arts Commission and appropriate staff member(s)

AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Public Comment
4. Approval of May Minutes
5. New Business
 - A. Begin Discussion of Tracy Arts Commission Annual Report for City Council
6. Old Business
 - A. Continue Discussion of Tracy Arts Planning
7. Items from the Commission
8. Items from Staff
9. Adjournment

POSTED: June 5, 2026

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TRACY ARTS COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
May 12, 2026 7:00 p.m.

Grand Theatre Center for the Arts, 715 Central Avenue

Chair Lees called the meeting to order at 7:08 p.m.

Roll call found Commissioners Dhugga, Johnson, Lees, and Reis present. Commissioner Thomas was absent.

Staff Present: Grace Credo, Cultural Arts Administrative Technician
 Robert Tombari, Cultural Arts Division Manager

Recorded By: Grace Credo, Cultural Arts Administrative Technician

1. ITEMS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Scott Constable and Ene Osteraas-Constable of WOWHAUS were in attendance.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

ACTION Motion by Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Dhugga to approve April Minutes as amended. Roll call vote found all Commissioners in favor; motion carried 4:0

3. REVIEW AND RECOMMEND FINAL DESIGN FOR TRACY TRANSIT STATION ART PROJECT

CADM Tombari introduced Scott Constable and Ene Osteraas-Constable of WOWHAUS to the commissioners and provided a brief overview of the Tracy Transit Station Mobility Project. WOWHAUS delivered a PowerPoint presentation detailing the project. Commissioners posed questions and shared their opinions and concerns, to which WOWHAUS responded accordingly.

ACTION Motion by Vice Chair Reis, seconded by Commissioner Johnson to recommend final design to Tracy City Council for the Tracy Transit Station Art Project. Roll call vote found all Commissioners in favor; motion carried 4:0

4. RECAP DISCUSSION OF TRACY ARTS MONTH 2026 FINAL BUDGET APPROVAL

CADM Tombari requested the commissioners' perspectives regarding Arts Month. Vice Chair Reis requested feedback regarding the weaving project, expressing that she considers it successful with excellent placement on during the Open Mic Night. Chair Lees commended Vice Chair Reis for her efforts on advancing the weaving project and solicited additional comments about any Arts Month Programs. CADM Tombari noted

the success of the Secret Art Society Meeting. Commissioner Dhugga reported positive feedback from children regarding the Shakespeare play, and Commissioner Johnson remarked that attending plays offers valuable experiences for kids.

CADM provided a recap of Arts Month Events. All commissioners concurred that the activities were successful.

CADM presented the Budget Report for Arts Month. The acquisition of an Audio Guest Book will be reviewed for potential inclusion within the remaining budget.

Amended Arts Month Budget:

Weaving Project Materials & Artist Hospitality	\$860
Open Mic Night including backline	\$300
Digital Marketing	\$375
Marketing Swags (rounded)	\$500
Remaining	<u>\$680</u>
Total	\$285
	\$3,000

ACTION Motion by Commissioner Dhugga, seconded by Vice Chair Reis to allocate the \$285 remaining budget to purchase a Guest Book (Phone). Roll call vote found all Commissioners in favor; motion carried 4:0

5. CONTINUE DISCUSSION OF CITY OF TRACY ARTS PLANNING

CADM Tombari provided a summary of the recent Secret Art Society (SAS) meeting. Chair Lees expressed her desire for greater artist participation at TAC meetings and indicated she had relayed this sentiment during the SAS meeting. She also reported an increase in requests from artists for additional studio space, sound booths, film studios, and writing areas. CADM proposed that CIFFA could be utilized to enhance community engagement. Commissioners agreed to continue discussion at the next meeting.

7. ITEMS FROM THE COMMISSION

The commissioners provided concise overviews of their experiences pertaining to the arts. Additionally, they discussed their engagement in Arts Month activities.

Chair Lees stated that she will be unable to attend the June meeting due to upcoming vacation plans.

8. ITEMS FROM STAFF

AT Credo delivered staffing updates. CADM Tombari distributed the 2023 Civic Art Plan to commissioners and requested their review ahead of the July meeting discussion. Furthermore, CADM Tombari recommended formulating a rubric for presentation to City Council. All commissioners agreed to include the Civic Art Plan discussion on the agenda for the July meeting.

9. ADJOURNMENT – Time: 8:23 p.m.

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

The above agenda was posted at the Tracy City Hall on May 8, 2026. 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.

**CITY OF TRACY
TRACY ARTS COMMISSION MEETING
JUNE 9, 2026**

AGENDA ITEM 5.A.

REQUEST

BEGIN DISCUSSION OF TRACY ARTS COMMISSION ANNUAL REPORT FOR CITY COUNCIL

DISCUSSION

The Tracy Arts Commission (TAC) has presented Annual Reports to the City Council since 2022. The TAC will present the Annual Report featuring programming highlights from Fiscal Year 2025/2026, as well as goals for Fiscal Year 2026/2027. CAD Staff will prepare a Staff Report and presentation in the form of a slide show. The TAC Chair, and/or other designated representative, will present the information at the City Council meeting to be scheduled.

FISCAL IMPACT

Staff costs related to support of the Tracy Arts Commission are included in the Cultural Arts Division Administrative General Fund budget.

RECOMMENDATION

Begin Discussion of the Fiscal Year 2025/2026 Annual Report for City Council

Prepared By: Robert Tombari, Cultural Arts Division Manager

Reviewed By: Arturo M. Sanchez, Assistant City Manager

Approved By: Arturo M. Sanchez, Assistant City Manager

CITY OF TRACY
TRACY ARTS COMMISSION MEETING
June 9, 2026

AGENDA ITEM 6.A.

REQUEST

CONTINUE DISCUSSION OF CITY OF TRACY ARTS PLANNING

DISCUSSION

The Tracy Arts Commission (TAC) was formed by the City Council for the purpose of preserving and cultivating the expression and appreciation of the Arts in Tracy. The Tracy Arts Commission (previously known as the Cultural Arts Commission and Community Cultural Arts Commission) was established in 1991 for the purposes of: maintaining the Civic Art Plan (adopted by City Council, Reso 2003-002), contributing to the quality of life of the residents of Tracy through the high quality civic spaces and access to a broad array of artistic experiences, expanding the knowledge and understanding of the community's history and culture, supporting the economic vitality of the City through increased property values and cultural tourism, and reinforcing downtown as a cultural destination.

The Tracy Arts Commission (TAC) advises the City Council on the subjects of Citywide public art including private development and public/private partnerships, fosters public/private partnerships for the creation of civic art, supports individuals and organizations involved in the arts by promoting their events, offering resources, educational tools, and advising on policies to City Council that will support those endeavors, and commits to nourishing artistic vision, honoring diversity, supporting creativity and promoting cooperative partnerships through the Re-Granting Program.

The City Manager's Office has requested the TAC begin a discussion in consideration of the City of Tracy's arts planning. The TAC should consider a wide range of arts assessments, ideas, topics and goals such as, but not limited to, arts and cultural events, amenities and facilities, arts funding, creative community collaboration, the concept of a Cultural Arts Department and the vision of a Downtown Arts District.

Staff anticipates continued discussion will continue as needed for several months, with a goal to create recommendations in 2026 that can be utilized in City planning. Discussion began at the meeting of October 14 and continued at the November and December, March, April, and May Meetings with the following suggestions and talking points provided for on-going consideration:

Arts & Cultural Venues:

- Outdoor performing arts venue / stage
- New Library that is two to three times larger than the current facility
- Makers Space
- New Community Center that integrates into the Civic Center Plaza
- Tracy Historical Museum exterior maintenance and new landscaping
- Gallery that is “Studio Style” with adaptable workspace

Arts Funding:

- More arts funding, including support from the private sector and City tax support
- Professional Development for Artists

Arts Programming:

- Present performers who are creating original works, less tribute bands
- Artist Exchange with Sister Cities
- Launch the Poet Laureate program
- Artist Residency Program
- Interactive Programming
- Library Loan Program that lets users borrow Musical Instruments, Tools, etc.
- Multidisciplinary Arts Festival

Arts Redevelopment, Marketing & Branding:

- Use of West Side Market
- Make use of unused Property/Space
- Create a Cultural Arts Department
- Establish a Downtown Arts District
- Restoring Old Buildings
- Better Arts Outreach
- New banners with updated City and arts branding, that are not cheesy or use bad slogans

Public Art:

- Additional opportunities for City-wide public art; murals and utility boxes

FISCAL IMPACT

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RECOMMENDATION

Continue Discussion of City of Tracy Arts Planning

Prepared By: Robert Tombari, Cultural Arts Division Manager

Reviewed By: Arturo M. Sanchez, Assistant City Manager

Approved By: Arturo M. Sanchez, Assistant City Manager