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ARTS COMMISSION MINUTES

July 6, 2026 – 4:30 p.m. – 979 17th Ave., Santa Cruz

- I. Called to order: 4:36 p.m. Present: Niven, Phillips, Kroslowitz, Miranda, Leclerc, Leidenthal, Rogers
Absent / Excused: McGowen, Gonzalez Vacant seats: 1
Staff: Sarah Shea, Kathy DeWild

II. Approved Agenda - Motion/Second: Kroslowitz/Phillips

AYES: 7
NOES: 0
ABSTAIN: 0
ABSENT: 2

III. Oral Communications – None

VI. Approved Consent Agenda - Motion/Second: Miranda/Rogers

AYES: 7
NOES: 0
ABSTAIN: 0
ABSENT: 2

V. Staff reports

VI. Regular Agenda

A. Information and Discussion Items

1. The recently appointed Arts Commissioner, Robin Leidenthal, was introduced.
2. Commissioners discussed potential next steps for the updated Public Art & Design Guidelines.
3. Chair Niven updated the commission on 2026/2027 County funding decisions for the Arts Council and Museum of Art & History.

B. Action Items

1. Approved and recommend to Board of Supervisors the draft Percent for Public Art in Private Development Program and Design Guidelines

Motion/Second: Rogers/Miranda

AYES: 7
NOES: 0
ABSTAIN: 0
ABSENT: 2

VII. Next meeting date: September 14, 2026 – 4:30 PM.

VIII. Adjournment – 5:40 p.m.

Motion/Second: Miranda/Kroslowitz

AYES: 7
NOES: 0
ABSTAIN: 0
ABSENT: 2