



MINUTES

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE Arts and Culture Commission

Thursday, April 9, 2020 at 10:30 a.m.
This meeting was held via teleconference.

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CONVENE REGULAR MEETING Chair Cazden called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m.

1. **ROLL CALL – Present:** Chair Ruth Cazden; Members George Gager, Courtney Helion, Bill Nichols, Blake Washington, Ann Wiens. **Absent:** Allison Cooper (excused lateness).

2. COMMISSIONERS REPORTS AND COUNCIL LIAISON REPORTS

Staff Liaison Maya Williams reported on the state of city facilities and entities, due to the COVID-19 health crisis. Chair Cazden and Vice Chair Nichols will remain in their positions until the Stay-at-Home order is lifted.

Chair Cazden reported that, also due to the COVID-19 crisis, the El Cerrito Community Orchestra summer program is cancelled, and that the California Sound Collective orchestra series will also likely be cancelled.

[Reported out of order] Council Liaison Paul Fadelli reported on budget issues that the City is faced with.

3. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

None.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

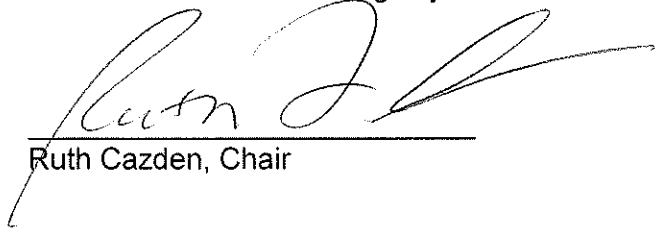
Moved/Second: Member (Nichols/Helion) **Action:** Passed a motion to approve the minutes of the February 24, 2020 meeting as submitted. **Ayes:** Chair Ruth Cazden; Members George Gager, Courtney Helion, Bill Nichols, Blake Washington, Ann Wiens. **Noes:** None. Passed unanimously.

[Member Allison Cooper joined the meeting at this time.]

5. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION – EXTENSION OF ECCRU PROFESSIONAL AGREEMENTS

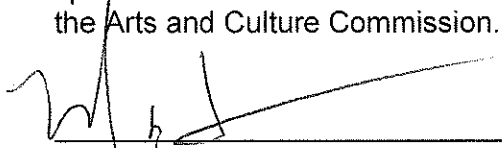
Staff Liaison Williams described the timing of the agreements between the City and the ECCRU Artists in Residence, and the impact of the COVID-19 health crisis and Stay-at-Home Order on their obligations. She proposed a possible

9. **ADJOURNMENT** The meeting adjourned at 11:23 a.m.



Ruth Cazden, Chair

This is to certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the special Arts and Culture Commission meeting of April 9, 2020 as approved by the Arts and Culture Commission.



Maya Williams, Staff Liaison