

Chapter 2.33

CULTURAL ARTS COMMISSION

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2.33.010 **Creation.**

There is hereby created a Cultural Arts Commission. The provisions of Article [VI](#) of the City Charter, Chapter [2.25](#) CVMC and this chapter shall govern this Commission. (Ord. 3211 § 7, 2011; Ord. 2403 § 1, 1990).

2.33.020 **Purpose and intent.**

It is the purpose and intent of the City Council in establishing the Cultural Arts Commission to create an advisory body to serve as a resource to advise and make recommendations to the City Council and the City Manager on cultural arts issues citywide, as well as exchanges and activities with the City and its sister cities. The focused efforts of the Cultural Arts Commission will be to identify cultural arts needs and issues.

The purpose of the Commission is to focus community energies and resources on developing a highly visible City with a cultural arts personality and to develop, support, and nurture those ideas that expand and enrich arts and cultural opportunities for the entire community in addition to promoting cultural exchanges and activities on the basis of mutual friendship and amity between the City and its sister cities. (Ord. 3539 § 1(C), 2022; Ord. 3211 § 7, 2011; Ord. 2403 § 1, 1990; Ord. 2362 § 1, 1990).

2.33.030 **Functions and duties.**

The functions and duties of the Cultural Arts Commission shall be as follows:

- A. Encourage the preservation of Chula Vista’s cultural heritage and the creation of an atmosphere – a Chula Vista image – in which our citizens could take pride and have increased stature.
- B. Help coordinate and marshal support for the arts.

- C. Encourage the provision of cultural and artistic facilities and features in public and commercial construction.
- D. Formulate recommendations for a City arts program, including funding mechanisms, criteria for the selection and placement of public art, procedures for review plans, and guidelines to carry out a City arts program.
- E. Regularly assess, review and update recommended goals and long-range plans for the City; and regularly solicit public input on the arts.
- F. Encourage the development of arts and cultural programs for the youth of Chula Vista.
- G. Promote the creation of a cultural environment to attract visitors and economic development. The Commission, by having a definite focus and by demonstrating a high degree of commitment to the arts, can conduct strategic long-range planning to help reach these goals.
- H. Make recommendations for cultural exchanges and activities that are virtual and/or accessible on the basis of mutual friendship and amity between the City and its sister cities.
- I. The Commission may develop guidelines for consideration during the application and appointment processes for new Members, which may include relevant questions to be included on the application, recommended considerations when making an appointment, and definitions of terms referenced in CVMC [2.33.040](#), related to the qualifications of Members. (Ord. 3539 § 1(C), 2022; Ord. 3435 § 1, 2018; Ord. 3393 § 1, 2016; Ord. 3211 § 7, 2011; Ord. 2403 § 1, 1990; Ord. 2362 § 1, 1990).

2.33.040 Membership.

- A. The Cultural Arts Commission shall consist of nine Voting Members and one Youth Advisory Member who represent a diversity of backgrounds, to be nominated and appointed in accordance with Article [VI](#) of the City Charter, Chapter [2.25](#) CVMC, and this chapter.
 - 1. All nine Voting Members shall demonstrate competence, knowledge and experience in cultural arts; and a minimum of six Members shall be appointed from among artists, educators, and those with professional qualifications and experience in disciplines of arts and culture, including the performing arts, fine arts, culinary arts, media arts or related arts disciplines.
 - 2. The Cultural Arts Commission may recommend guidelines to be used during the application and appointment processes, which may include relevant questions to be included on the application, a checklist of qualifications, and definitions of terms referenced in this section, related to the qualifications of Members.
 - 3. When a vacancy occurs on the Cultural Arts Commission, the City Clerk shall forward applications received for the vacant position to the Mayor and Cultural Arts Manager or other staff assigned to the Cultural Arts Commission.
 - 4. Throughout the review of applications, selection of applicants to be Interviewed and Interviews of selected applicants, the Mayor shall consider guidelines developed by the Cultural Arts Commission, as well

as recommendations for interviews or appointments that may be made by the Cultural Arts Commission, City Councilmembers, and the Cultural Arts Manager or other staff assigned to the Cultural Arts Commission.

5. The Mayor shall review the forwarded applications and select applicants to be interviewed. The Mayor shall interview selected applicants and provide the opportunity for the Cultural Arts Manager or other staff assigned to the Cultural Arts Commission to attend and assist with the interviews. The Mayor shall make nominations for appointment, subject to the City Council's approval. (Ord. 3539 § 1(C), 2022; Ord. 3490 § 1, 2020; Ord. 3393 § 1, 2016; Ord. 3211 § 7, 2011; Ord. 2403 § 1, 1990; Ord. 2362 § 1, 1990).

2.33.050 Meeting frequency.

The Commission's meeting schedule shall include at least one regular meeting per month, at the day, time, and location established by written resolution of the Commission. (Ord. 3435 § 1, 2018; Ord. 3393 § 1, 2016; Ord. 3211 § 7, 2011; Ord. 2403 § 1, 1990; Ord. 2362 § 1, 1990).

The Chula Vista Municipal Code is current through Ordinance 3575, passed June 25, 2024.

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