

AGENDA

Gig Harbor Arts Commission Meeting

Wednesday, October 9, 2024 at 10:00 a.m.

Executive Conference Room or via Zoom

Zoom link: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/97936452399>

Call-in: (253) 215-8782 Meeting ID: 979 3645 2399

Call to Order / Roll Call

Approval of Minutes: Minutes of September 11, 2024

Discussion Items:

- 1) Cover Art for City of Gig Harbor 2025-26 Biennial Budget
- 2) 2025-26 Arts Commission Budget
- 3) Work Group Assignments

Commissioner Reports & Comments

Public Comment

Adjourn

Next Regular Meeting: November 13, 2024



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Goal 1: Creative & Economic Vitality	2025	2026
<p>a. Provide arts and cultural leadership for the city as advocates to the mayor and council for the development of arts and cultural activities for the benefit of its residents.</p> <p>Action Item: To convene and host an open meeting of community arts and culture groups, businesses, and civic organizations. Including but not limited to the Gig Harbor Film Festival, Peninsula Art League, Gig Harbor Peninsula Civic Orchestra, the Gig Harbor Literary Society, the Gig Harbor Arts Center Alliance, Peninsula Hands-on Art, the Harbor History Museum, the Gig Harbor BoatShop, the Waterfront Alliance, Rotary, Kiwanis, Ocean5, Heritage Distilling, local art galleries, etc.</p> <p>Outcome: To begin to frame a future vision for arts and culture in Gig Harbor, to encourage cross pollination, and identify collaborative opportunities.</p>		
<p>b. Collaborate with the city’s Direct Marketing Organization and Pierce County Tourism to increase artistic, historic, and cultural tourism in Gig Harbor.</p> <p>Action Item: To engage with the city’s Direct Marketing Organization on the Gig Harbor mural project.</p> <p>Outcome: Assist in call for artists and help to identify multiple locations for potential murals.</p>		
<p>c. Strengthen the operational capacity of the arts, heritage, and cultural community through the development of a city arts fund to support grants for artists/writers/performers and non-profit organizations that offer creative and cultural experiences.</p> <p>Action Item: To call for submissions, evaluate proposals, and award funding via the Creative Endeavors Grant.</p> <p>Outcome: To continue support for the successful cultural program and increase the capability to fund additional community projects.</p>	\$50,000	\$50,000

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<p>d. Solicit feedback from the community through surveys and interviews with residents and civic and business leaders; share these results with the community. Collect data that evaluates cultural and economic impact of the arts on Gig Harbor.</p> <p>Action Item: Establish scope, timing, and focus for a community and business survey in relation to arts and culture.</p> <p>Outcome: To use results as a guide to evaluate community attitudes and inform the arts commission and community planning, projects, and investments.</p>		
<p>Goal 2: Public Art & Community Design</p> <p>a. Participate in the development of creative public spaces; create a cohesive wayfinding and interpretive signage strategy, including the identification of unique city landmarks.</p> <p>Action Item: Participate in the master planning process for Crescent Creek with Gig Harbor Parks Division.</p> <p>Action Item: Participate in master planning for the Gig Harbor Sports Complex.</p> <p>Outcome: Ensure inclusion of public art in future projects.</p> <p>b. Expand the Public Art Fund to acquire and manage works of public art through commissioned works, temporary works, direct purchases, and community projects; identify Public Arts gaps throughout the community.</p> <p>Action Item: Continue to add carvings to the Harbor Arbor Art project.</p> <p>Outcome: Add one carving to the collection in each year.</p> <p>c. Include the arts commission in the beginning stages of new public/civic building projects to advocate for 1% of building costs be used for the inclusion of quality public art in new construction projects.</p> <p>Action Item: To advocate for 1% of the building costs for new construction in Gig Harbor be dedicated to public art designed for the project.</p>	<p>\$7,500</p>	<p>\$7,500</p>

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<p>Outcome: Enhance architectural elements, art elements, and power of place design in new construction projects.</p> <p>d. Explore the funding of public art purchases through a variety of resources, including leveraging existing city funding, exploring state and national grants, and pursuing sponsorship from public and private entities.</p> <p>e. Formalize an overall strategy for planning, design, solicitation, and selection of artists for art in public spaces, as well as address inventory, maintenance, and policy issues that relate to the Public Art Program.</p> <p>Action Item: To create an art inventory and maintenance assessment of existing public art owned by the City of Gig Harbor.</p> <p>Outcome: Highlight assets and host on the city website; create online access for residents and tourists to discover information about the project, artist, and location of assets.</p>		
<p>Goal 3: Education & Engagement</p> <p>a. Demonstrate a commitment to quality arts education and life-long learning by advocating for comprehensive inclusion of the arts throughout our community.</p> <p>b. Foster partnerships between the city, the business community, and arts and culture organizations to create and produce education and engagement opportunities for city residents through the sponsorship of arts and cultural programming.</p> <p>Action Item: Identify potential partnerships for venues and creative offerings for the community.</p> <p>Outcome: To begin outreach, schedule meetings with the Waterfront Alliance and Paper Delights soon-to-open studio space in Uptown on potential partnerships and hosting venues.</p> <p>c. Advocate for the inclusion of the arts in the Peninsula School District's STEM and STEAM curriculum, with the integration of Arts+ Design in K-12 education.</p>		

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<p>Action Item: Tour the 19 works of art from the WA State Art Collection currently displayed in Peninsula School District schools.</p> <p>Outcome: Become knowledgeable of state sponsored art investments in Gig Harbor.</p> <p>Action Item: Become familiar with ArtsWA Arts in Education programming available for students PreK-12th grade.</p> <p>Outcome: Help facilitate connections for ArtsWA programming in local schools.</p> <p>d. Create opportunities for the public to watch artists, conservators, and historic preservationists at work and to observe the creative process as well as participate in hands-on learning experiences.</p> <p>Action Item: Continue to explore the potential for highlighting the official song of Gig Harbor at community events; educate public about the song.</p> <p>Outcome: Support the performance of the song at a community event such as the Summer Sounds concerts series.</p> <p>e. Enhance and maintain the commission's webpage to include a calendar of events.</p> <p>Action: Add a calendar of arts and culture events to the Gig Harbor Arts Commission webpage.</p> <p>Outcome: Educate the public on upcoming opportunities to engage in arts and culture events or programs.</p>		
<p>Goal 4: Spaces & Places</p> <p>a. Track existing cultural facilities, including spaces suitable for workshops, rehearsals, and performances, and "maker spaces" for working artists and conservators. Respond to the growing need for artistic and cultural facilities; identify short- and long-term facility needs and priorities.</p> <p>b. Encourage the development of venues suitable for cultural and artistic activities, including visual and performing arts centers, marketplaces, performance and exhibition spaces, and maker spaces.</p>		

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<p>Action Item: Be active participants in the Crescent Creek master planning process in relation to planning for the Masonic Hall.</p> <p>Outcome: Community space for arts and culture organizations.</p> <p>c. Advocate for current and future arts-related businesses, open studio spaces, and live-work housing.</p>		
<p>Goal 5: Culture & Heritage</p> <p>a. Advocate for the preservation, interpretation, and adaptive reuse of historical and cultural sites in partnership with local entities devoted to preservation.</p> <p>b. Recognize the value of heritage and cultural arts to promote tourism for Gig Harbor using geographic and historic themes that complement other types of visitation and travel experiences.</p> <p>c. Support projects that use the arts as a vehicle for understanding and celebrating other cultures and Gig Harbor heritage.</p> <p>Action Item: Explore the potential to collaborate with the Waterfront Alliance, local artists, and local school aged children on light pole banner art.</p> <p>Outcome: Assist in call for art and expand design features to include local children's art and highlight local artists, artisans, and creators.</p>		
Total Budget	\$57,500	\$57,500