



**STREET ARTIST COMMITTEE MEETING  
OF THE ARTS COMMISSION**

**Tuesday, February 24, 2026**

**1:00 p.m.**

**City Hall, Room 416**

**1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place**

**Minutes (Approved)**

Chair Shiota called the meeting to order at 1:10 p.m.

**1. Call to Order, Roll Call, Agenda Changes, Land  
Acknowledgment (0:00)**

**Commissioners Present:**

Janine Shiota (Chair)

Debra Walker

Marcus Shelby

Suzie Ferras

**Commissioners Absent:**

Seth Brenzel

Nabiel Musleh

**Staff Present:**

Ebon Glenn, Deputy Director of Programs

Denise Pate, Director of Community Investments

Anne Trickey, Senior Program Officer

Jennifer Atwood, Program Officer

Jax Blaska and Kingsley Sun, Program Associates



Commission Secretary Manraj Dhaliwal

There were no changes to the agenda.

Chair Shiota announced public meeting instructions.

Program Associate Blaska announced public comment instructions.

Chair Shiota read the Arts Commission's land acknowledgment statement.

## **2. General Public Comment (6:23)**

Public Comment(s)

### **Tad Sky, Art Vendor**

Discussed the long history of the Street Artist Program, the cooperative nature of most artists, and the rarity of physical altercations. Mentioned improvements at Embarcadero Plaza and expressed gratitude for the Commission's ongoing support.

There was no additional public comment.

## **3. Hearing and possible motion to approve temporary suspension of art vendor license for art vendor Jianfu Wei (8970) until June 23, 2026 for: Physically restraining art vendor ZhongYu Wang (9021) (10:15)**



Program Officer Atwood introduced Senior Program Officer Trickey to explain disciplinary procedures related to the meeting of the Street Artist Committee. Program Officer Atwood then summarized the staff investigation into the November 28, 2025 incident between art vendors on Embarcadero Plaza. The investigation and witness testimony indicated that art vendor Jianfu Wei had participated in the incident by physically restraining art vendor ZhongYu Wang.

Director Pate recommended that the Committee temporarily suspend Jianfu Wei, license number 8970, until June 23, 2026.

Jianfu Wei was not in attendance at the meeting and therefore provided no rebuttal.

ZhongYu Wang spoke with the assistance of an interpreter. She corroborated the account of Jianfu Wei's involvement, and relayed the impact of the incident on her physical and emotional health.

Commissioners discussed interpretation of witness accounts, physical contact standards, and enforcement constraints.

Commissioner Walker, seconded by Commissioner Ferras, moved to approve the temporary suspension of Jianfu Wei, license number 8970, until June 23, 2026.

Public Comment(s)

**Xiu Hua Shi, Art Vendor**

Attested that she witnessed the November 25 incident, and her comments confirmed ZhongYu Wang's account of the violence that took place on the plaza. Reported observing Jianfu Wei restraining



ZhongYu Wang and clarified that the attacker is part of a family unit. Xiu Hua Shi spoke with the assistance of an interpreter.

**Tad Sky, Art Vendor**

Noted that he himself was not present at the time of the incident. Stated the opinion that all individuals should be separated in a fight, because restraining only one party gives an unfair advantage and creates danger.

There was no additional public comment.

The motion was unanimously approved.

**4. Hearing and possible motion to approve temporary suspension of art vendor license for art vendor Jie Yin (10086) until June 23, 2026 for: Attempting violence against art vendor ZhongYu Wang (9021) (1:03:48)**

Program Officer Atwood presented findings related to Jie Yin's involvement in the same incident. The staff investigation and witness testimony indicated Jie Yin's participation in the physical violence involving ZhongYu Wang.

Director Pate recommended that the Committee temporarily suspend Jie Yin, license 10086, until June 23, 2026.

Jie Yin was not in attendance at the meeting and therefore provided no rebuttal.



ZhongYu Wang spoke with the assistance of an interpreter, describing fear of encountering Jie Yin at the Plaza.

Commissioners discussed the structure of family unit licenses and program limitations.

Commissioner Ferras, seconded by Commissioner Shelby, moved to approve the temporary suspension of Jie Yin, license number 10086, until June 23, 2026.

Public Comment(s)

**Tad Sky, Art Vendor**

Spoke about the family unit license and its complications. Expressed concern about the public nature of Embarcadero Plaza including challenges with program enforcement.

**Xiu Hua Shi, Art Vendor**

Shared her opinion of the family unit members and their interactions with other vendors. Urged the Commission to suspend all three family unit licenses. Xiu Hua Shi spoke with the assistance of an interpreter.

There was no additional public comment.

The motion was unanimously approved.

**5. Hearing and possible motion to approve temporary suspension of art vendor license for art vendor Yingzhi Ge (10088) until June 23, 2026 for: Violence against art vendor ZhongYu Wang (9021)  
(1:20:36)**



Program Officer Atwood presented findings related to Yingzhi Ge's involvement in the same incident. The staff investigation and witness testimony indicated Yingzhi Ge's participation in the physical violence involving ZhongYu Wang.

Director Pate recommended that the Committee temporarily suspend Yingzhi Ge, license number 10088, until June 23, 2026.

Yingzhi Ge was not in attendance at the meeting and therefore provided no rebuttal.

ZhongYu Wang spoke with the assistance of an interpreter and requested safety and a fair resolution.

Commissioners discussed procedural standards, evidence interpretation, and enforcement limitations.

Commissioner Walker, seconded by Commissioner Ferras, moved to approve the temporary suspension of Yingzhi Ge, license number 10088, until June 23, 2026.

There was no public comment.

The motion was unanimously approved.

**6. Adjournment**  
**(1:38:25)**



There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:48pm.