

Date: October 6, 2025  
To: San Francisco Arts Commissioners  
From: SFAC staff  
Re: Vaillancourt Fountain

San Francisco Arts Commission (SFAC) and Recreation and Parks Department (RPD) staff will provide an informational presentation on the Vaillancourt Fountain at the October 6, 2025 Full Commission meeting. The presentation will include an overview of the history of the fountain, recent findings on the fountain as part of the Embarcadero Plaza and Sue Bierman Park Renovation Project, and recent actions taken by the City in response to these reports.

There are no action items associated with this presentation; it is informational only. This meeting is also an opportunity for public comment on the fountain. SFAC may schedule a future hearing to consider deaccession and approval of further action relating to the fountain. However, those items are not before the Commission on October 6.

The following linked and attached documents that will inform this presentation are included here:

1. [Embarcadero Plaza and Sue Bierman Park Community Meeting 1 Presentation, March 6, 2025](#)
2. Vaillancourt Fountain Historic Resources Review (HRR) Report, by Page and Turnbull, dated May 15, 2025
3. Vaillancourt Fountain Conditions Assessment, by Page and Turnbull, dated June 2, 2025
4. Embarcadero Plaza – Accessibility Assessment, dated July 7, 2025, by John Romaidis, Disability Access Coordinator, RPD Capital Planning Division
5. [Embarcadero Plaza and Sue Bierman Park Community Meeting 2 Presentation, July 8, 2025](#)
6. Letter from RPD, dated August 18, 2025, requesting Arts Commission's consideration and approval to proceed with the formal deaccession of the Vaillancourt Fountain from the Civic Art Collection and its removal from Embarcadero Plaza
7. Conceptual (Rough Order of Magnitude) cost estimates