



MEETING OF THE CIVIC DESIGN REVIEW COMMITTEE

Thursday, February 19, 2026
2 p.m.
City Hall, Room 408

Draft Minutes

Chair Walker called the meeting to order at **2:00** p.m.

1. Call to Order, Roll Call, Agenda Changes, Land Acknowledgment (0:03)

Commissioners Present

Patrick Carney, Chair
Chuck Collins
Jessica Rothschild
McKenna Quint
Janine Shiota
Seth Brenzel
Al Perez

Commissioners Absent

n/a

Staff Present:

Sarah Hollenbeck, Deputy Director of Finance and Administration
Manraj Dhaliwal, Commission Secretary

Chair Carney asked for any agenda changes and no changes were suggested.

Chair Carney announced the public meeting instructions.

Commission Secretary Manraj Dhaliwal announced public comment instructions.

Commissioner Shiota began the meeting by reading the Arts Commission's land acknowledgment statement.

2. General Public Comment (6:25)

There was no public comment.

3. YBI Treasure Island Road Improvement Project – Small Project Review (7:20)

The Civic Design Review Committee received a presentation on a small project review of the Yerba Buena Island (YBI) / Treasure Island Road Improvement Project. The project includes reconstruction of the roadway, new retaining walls, pedestrian and bicycle improvements, and a dedicated transit lane. A major component of the presentation focused on the integrated public artwork by artist Muzae Sesay, titled *Bridging Horizons*. The large-scale stained concrete design continues the visual language established in earlier phases, using abstracted landscapes, regional earth tones, trees, and horizon imagery to reflect the Bay's natural environment and create a cohesive corridor experience from YBI to Treasure Island. The team also explained the staining process, UV protection, anti-graffiti coatings, and coordination with DPW for long-term maintenance.

Commissioners expressed strong support for the project, praising the integration of art and infrastructure, the monumental scale, and the thoughtful reference to Bay Area landscape and mural traditions. Several commissioners highlighted the importance of early collaboration between design and public art to achieve a seamless result. Questions were raised about color vibrancy compared to earlier renderings, durability of materials, and graffiti abatement plans, which staff addressed. Overall, commissioners commended the artist and project team for the years-long effort and noted the project's significance as a lasting and highly visible civic landmark.

Commissioner Shiota, seconded by Commissioner Quint, moved to

approve the Small Project Review for YBI Treasure Island Road Improvement Project.

There was no public comment.

The motion was unanimously approved.

Motion to approve Small Project Review for YBI Treasure Island Road Improvement Project.

4. SFO West Field Garage 2 – Phase 2 Review (55:01)

The Civic Design Review Committee reviewed Phase 2 of the SFO West Field Garage 2 project, a seven-level, 1,100-space parking garage serving airport employees in the West Field campus area. The design features a simple concrete structure with a white and gray metal frame system that aligns with the adjacent Administration Building to create a cohesive campus identity. A kinetic metal panel system at the elevator cores is designed to subtly move with the wind, adding visual interest. The project also includes EV charging stations, low-carbon concrete, pedestrian-focused walkways, and future integration with a larger campus landscape and public art plan.

Commissioners supported the design and appreciated its clean, functional appearance and its relationship to neighboring buildings. Positive comments focused on the restrained material palette, the wind-activated façade element, sustainability features, and efforts to create a unified campus character. Some commissioners suggested refining the scale and proportion of the white grid to feel more human-scaled, studying the perforated metal panels further, and carefully considering landscape design and lighting for added warmth and activation. Questions were also raised about maintenance, material durability, and long-term art planning.

For the record, the slide deck presentation shown at the meeting was

exactly the same as the one submitted and presented to both the Commissioners and the public beforehand.

Commissioner Rothschild, seconded by Commissioner Shiota, moved to approve the Phase 2 Review for SFO West Field Garage 2.

There was no public comment.

The motion was unanimously approved.

Motion to approve Small Project Review for YBI Treasure Island Road Improvement Project.

5. New Business and Announcements (2:05:05)

Commissioner Brenzel highlighted a recent New York Times article featuring former SFAC staff member Meg Shiffler. The article focused on efforts to support artist housing and creative space as part of broader cultural infrastructure.

No additional new business or announcements were raised.

There was no public comment.

6. Adjournment (2:06:29)

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:06 p.m.

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