

MEETING OF THE CIVIC DESIGN REVIEW COMMITTEE

Monday, June 16, 2025 2 p.m. City Hall, Room 416

Draft Minutes

Chair Walker called the meeting to order at 2:03 p.m.

1. Call to Order, Roll Call, Agenda Changes, Land Acknowledgment (0:01)

Commissioners Present

Debra Walker, Chair Janine Shiota, Vice President Patrick Carney

Commissioners Absent

Jessica Rothschild Seth Brenzel

Staff Present:

Sarah Hollenbeck, Deputy Director of Finance and Administration Manraj Dhaliwal, Commission Secretary, Paris Cotz, Program Associate

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

Chair Walker announced the public meeting instructions.

Commission Secretary Manraj Dhaliwal announced public comment instructions.

Chair Walker began the meeting by reading the Arts Commission's land acknowledgment statement.



2. General Public Comment (6:02)

There was no public comment.

3. Jackson Playground Renovation – Phase 2 Review (6:45)

The project team shared key elements which include the installation of new playground equipment designed for children of all ages and abilities, the construction of a multi-use sports court, the addition of shaded picnic areas, and upgrading the historic clubhouse. The team mentioned that the plan incorporates sustainable practices such as the use of eco-friendly materials and the implementation of water-saving irrigation systems.

Commissioners expressed strong support for the Jackson Playground renovation, praising the thoughtful integration of community needs, creative use of space, and the balance between historic preservation and modern design. Commissioner Shiota asked about the roof color and the team explained their approach to material and color coordination. The team lastly mentioned the design development phase being complete by the end of 2026 with groundbreaking aimed for spring 2027.

Public Comment

Jude Deckenbach, Executive Director of Friends of Jackson Park, expressed gratitude to the design team and committee, emphasizing the project's decade-long journey and strong community collaboration. She described the renovation as a "labor of love" and invited commissioners to a community celebration on September 6, 2025.

Elain Sprague-Stuebe, Board President of Friends of Jackson Park, thanked the commissioners for their ongoing support and emphasized the personal and emotional significance of the project.

Commissioner Carney, seconded by Commissioner Shiota moved to approve Jackson Playground Renovation – Phase 2 Review.



There was no additional public comment.

The motions were unanimously approved.

Motion to approve Phase 2 Review for **Jackson Playground Renovation** – **Phase 2 Review**

5. Staff Report (48:23)

Deputy Director of Finance and Administration Sarah Hollenbeck announced that there is no staff report.

There was no public comment.

6. New Business and Announcements (49:25)

Commissioners highlighted the launch of the new FOR-SITE's newest exhibition at Fort Point. Commissioners acknowledged Pride Month, celebrating the city's ongoing support for the LGBTQ+ community and encouraging attendance at events, including the prominent Pink Triangle installation.

There was no public comment.

7. Adjournment *(50:54)*

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:53 p.m.

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