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## ARTS COMMISSION

Notice of Meeting on **Wednesday, January 28, 2026, at 4:00 p.m.**  
CRD Boardroom, 6th Floor, 625 Fisgard Street, Victoria, BC; and Electronic Participation

M. Alto (Chair)  
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## AGENDA

1. Territorial Acknowledgement

2. Approval of Agenda

Recommendation: That the agenda for the January 28, 2026 Arts Commission meeting be approved.

3. Adoption of Minutes of October 23, 2024

Recommendation: That the minutes of the Arts Commission meeting of September 17, 2025, be adopted.

4. Chair's Remarks

5. Presentations/Delegations

6. Commission Business

6.1 Arts Advisory Council Update

6.1.1. Arts Advisory Council Chair's Report (verbal)

6.1.2. Arts Advisory Council Minutes: January 13, 2026 - for information

6.1.3. Arts Advisory Council *Activities by Council Summary*: January 13, 2026 – for information

6.2. Manager's Report (verbal)

6.2.1 Outreach Report (written)

6.2.2 CRD Arts Commission 2026 Meeting Schedule

6.3 2026 Operating Grant Recommendations

Recommendation: The Arts Advisory Council recommends to the Arts Commission:

That the 2026 Operating Grant recommendations be approved as presented.

**Attachments:** Staff Report: 2026 Operating Grant Recommendations

Appendix A: 2026 Operating Grant Recommendations and Summaries

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*Commissioners: To ensure quorum,  
please advise Erin Sterling ([esterling@crd.bc.ca](mailto:esterling@crd.bc.ca)) if you or your alternate cannot attend.*

6.4 Arts & Culture Support Service Strategic Plan Check-in

**Recommendation:** No recommendation. For information.

**Attachments:** Staff Report: Annual Strategic Plan Check-in  
Appendix A: CRD Arts & Culture Support Service Strategic plan 2024-27  
Appendix B: 2024-27 Strategic Plan Implementation Timeline  
Appendix C: 2024-27 Strategic Plan Implementation Summary

7. New Business
8. Correspondence Letter to Minister Kang re: reconsideration of BC Arts Council's Regional Areas Policy
9. Adjournment

Next Meeting: February 25, 2026