

RESOLUTION NO. 22-125

Resolution Of The City Council Of The City Of Emeryville Naming the Bus Shelter Temporary Art Program In Sharon Wilchar's Honor, Acknowledging The Public Art Committee's Recommendation To Commission A Plaque Honoring Sharon Wilchar, And Re-establishing The City Council Subcommittee On The City's Recognition Policy By Appointing Mayor Bauters And Vice Mayor Medina As Members Of The Subcommittee

WHEREAS, Article 4 of Chapter 2 of Title 3 of the Emeryville Municipal Code establishes the Contributions for the Art in Public Places Program; and

WHEREAS, Section 3-2.404 of the Emeryville Municipal Code establishes the Emeryville Public Art Fund to implement the Art in Public Places Program (AiPP); and

WHEREAS, since the 1980's Sharon Wilchar has partnered with the City to initiate several successful public art programs; and

WHEREAS, the Public Art Committee ("PAC") was established as an advisory committee to the City Council in 1991; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Wilchar was appointed by the City Council to the inaugural PAC, and was elected Chair by the PAC and reappointed to the PAC by the City Council continuously from the establishment of the PAC through June 2022; and

WHEREAS, since 2009, the PAC has advised on each phase of the Bus Shelter Temporary Art Program, including artist selection and funding for the installation of four works of art by Emeryville artists solicited under a Request For Proposals; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Wilchar has aided the City in procuring over 70 pieces of artwork and in the developing of the AiPP, which has resulted in over 230 pieces art work in private developments publicly accessible throughout Emeryville; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Wilchar has been the principal organizer of the annual Emeryville Celebration of the Arts exhibition since its inception; and

WHEREAS, through the Emeryville Celebration of the Arts, the City's Annual Purchase Award program has resulted in the City's acquisition and installation of high-quality, locally-produced artworks throughout City Hall and at other City facilities; and

WHEREAS, at its regular meeting on August 11, 2022, the PAC recommended that the City Council rename the Bus Shelter Temporary Art Program "The Sharon Wilchar Bus Shelter Temporary Art Program", that a City Council proclamation be prepared honoring Ms. Wilchar; that an event be hosted in Ms. Wilchar's honor, inviting those impacted by her 30 years of service; and that a plaque in Ms. Wilchar's honor be commissioned and installed; and

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WHEREAS, in September 2019, the City Council voted to establish a subcommittee comprised of then-Councilmember John Bauters and former Vice Mayor Christian Patz to discuss the ways in which the City recognizes people; the subcommittee has not yet forwarded its recommendations to the City Council, and former Vice Mayor Christian Patz resigned from the City Council in 2021; and

WHEREAS, the City Council wishes to re-establish the subcommittee regarding the City's recognition policy by appointing Mayor Bauters and Vice Mayor Medina to the subcommittee; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Emeryville hereby renames the Bush Shelter Temporary Art Program the "Sharon Wilchar Temporary Art Bus Shelter Program"; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the City Council hereby acknowledges the Public Art Committee's recommendation to commission a plaque honoring Sharon Wilchar; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the City Council hereby re-establishes the City Council subcommittee on the City's recognition policy by appointing Mayor Bauters and Vice Mayor Medina to the subcommittee.

ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Emeryville at a regular meeting held Tuesday, September 20, 2022 by the following vote:

AYES:	<u>5</u>	Mayor Bauters, Vice Mayor Medina and Council Members Donahue, Martinez, and Welch
NOES:	<u>0</u>	
ABSTAIN:	<u>0</u>	
ABSENT:	<u>0</u>	

ATTEST:

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John Bauters

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MAYOR

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