

**CITY OF
MOUNT DORA, FLORIDA
PUBLIC ARTS COMMISSION
MINUTES**



**CITY HALL BOARD ROOM
510 N. BAKER ST.
MOUNT DORA, FL 32757
July 26, 2022**

Call to Order

Having been duly advertised as required by law, Chairperson Decker called to order at 3:30 p.m. the July 26, 2022 meeting of the Public Arts Commission.

Roll Call

Members Present

John Wesner, District 1
Susan Grogan, District 3
Maryann McNamara, District 4
Kelly Burns, At Large
Vice-chair Harlow Middleton, Mayoral Appointee
Chairperson Thomas Decker, District 2

Also Present

Chris Carson, Cultural and Special Events
Coordinator
Jeanann Hand, Deputy City Clerk

Members Not Present

Kaeshawn "Kay" Volmer, District 5

Approval of Minutes

A. May 24, 2022 Public Arts Commission Meeting Minutes

***MOTION BY COMMISSIONER MIDDLETON TO APPROVE THE MINUTES
FROM THE MAY 24, 2022 PUBLIC ARTS COMMISSION MEETING;
COMMISSIONER GROGAN SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION APPROVED BY
A UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE.***

Discussion Items

A. Review Draft of Public Art Master Plan

Before entering into discussion with Mr. Joshua Lapp, representing Designing Local, commissioners discussed their thoughts regarding the plan at this point.

Commissioners entered into a Zoom meeting with Mr. Lapp.

Mr. Lapp reviewed changes since the last time the document was presented. The updates included adding gateways to the strategies portion; modifying the funding section to clarify sources, especially regarding development funds; adding consideration of performance and community participatory art; and the adding of introductions, the action plan matrix, and information regarding the annual public art plan.

Mr. Lapp fielded questions regarding funding restrictions for certain types of art; maintenance schedules; public meeting definitions, purposes, and requirements; art on loan procedures; and action plan implementation.

It was suggested that Councilmembers and the City Manager be briefed on the document before it is sent to Council for vote. Mr. Carson explained staff would take action in that regard. Commissioners and staff agreed action should continue at a dynamic pace. Mr. Lapp asked commissioners to reflect upon what had been presented and then provide individual feedback regarding prioritization of projects in order to help formulate the action plan. The updated plan will be sent out to the commissioners after the meeting.

The plan would be further discussed at the next commission meeting rather than at a special meeting or workshop. The plan would be sent to the commissioners in advance of the next meeting's agenda packet. Commissioners would send Mr. Carson ideas for projects they would like to see in the annual action plan. Mr. Carson suggested Planning Director Vince Sandersfeld attend commission meetings to help clarify funding. Joint funding and collaboration with the Northeast CRA and other City departments was mentioned.

The Waterman Village bridge was discussed.

City Staff

Mr. Carson publicly recognized Commissioner Grogan for her art used on the 2022 Freedom on the Waterfront poster. Future Calls to Artists were mentioned, including a suggestion for a Call for Pride Month. The use of catalog items was discussed. Mr. Middleton referenced the Mount Dora Center for the Arts. Interactivity with other departments was broached. Mr. Decker requested more aggressive Calls to Artists. Commissioner Middleton recognized the attendance of Janet Gamache from the Center for the Arts.

A. Ongoing Budget Balances

It was stated that no changes had taken place regarding the Commission's budget.

Communications and Reports

- A. Commissioner John Wesner-No report.
- B. Commissioner Susan Grogan-No report.
- C. Commissioner Maryann McNamara-No report.
- D. Commissioner Keashawn "Kay" Volmer-No report.
- E. Commissioner Kelly Burns-No report.
- F. Vice-chair Harlow Middleton-No report.
- G. Chair Thomas Decker-No report.

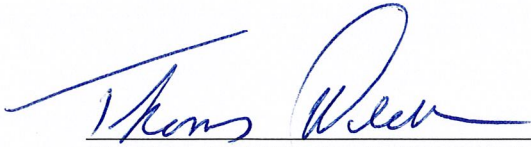
Future Meeting Dates

- A. August 23, 2022, 3:30 p.m.
- B. September 27, 2022, 3:30 p.m.
- C. October 25, 2022, 3:30 p.m.

Adjournment

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER MCNAMARA TO ADJOURN THE JULY 26, 2022 MEETING OF THE PUBLIC ARTS COMMISSION; VICE-CHAIR MIDDLETON SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION APPROVED BY A UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE.

There being no further business for discussion, the meeting adjourned at approximately 4:59 p.m.


THOMAS DECKER, CHAIRPERSON


JEANANN HAND
DEPUTY CITY CLERK