

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



**August 13, 2024  
City Hall  
510 N. Baker St.  
Mount Dora, FL 32757**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Having been duly advertised as required by law, Chairperson Decker called to order the August 13, 2024, special meeting of the Public Arts Commission at 3:39 P.M. in the City Hall Council Chambers.

**ROLL CALL**

**Members Present:**

Thomas Decker  
Rebecca Owen  
John Wesner  
Maryann McNamara  
Kaeshawn Volmar  
Lindsay Perreault  
Jane Slivka

**Also Present:**

Troy Shonk, Parks & Recreation Director  
Christopher Carson, Cultural & Special Events Manager  
Jennifer Schwarz, Operations Manager  
Gretchen Gomez, Parks & Recreation Admin Coordinator

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**AMENDMENT**

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

**PRESENTATIONS**

**CITY STAFF**

**ACTION ITEMS**

**A. Approval of Light Pole Banners**

Ms. Volmar discussed meeting with Studio ArtFarm and other local artists for samples of themes and concepts. Ms. Volmar has decided to change the name from "Light Pole Banners" to "Mount Dora Aerial Exhibit" in order to be more intentional with the art.

German Lemus mentioned a 2 month turnaround time to get all banners and concepts done. Paul Morris, Mount Dora Center for the Arts, commented that he agrees with Ms. Volmar wanting original artwork.

**MOTION TO APPROVE THE LIGHT POLE BANNERS TO NOT EXCEED \$20,000.00 BY COMMISSION MEMBER OWEN; COMMISSION MEMBER SLIVKA SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION APPROVED BY A VOICE VOTE.**

YES Chairperson Decker  
Vice-Chairperson Volmar  
Commission Member McNamara  
Commission Member Perreault  
Commission Member Owen  
Commission Member Wesner  
Commission Member Slivka

NO None

**B. Approval of Art Walk Sculpture**

Mr. Decker discussed different sculptures that were presented. Mr. Decker suggested buying out the Dancing Family Sculpture in order to use remaining funds for art pieces to place on loan.

**MOTION TO APPROVE BUYING THE DANCING FAMILY SCULPTURE BY COMMISSION MEMBER SLIVKA; COMMISSION MEMBER MCNAMARA SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION APPROVED BY A VOICE VOTE.**

YES Chairperson Decker  
Vice-Chairperson Volmar  
Commission Member McNamara  
Commission Member Perreault  
Commission Member Owen  
Commission Member Wesner  
Commission Member Slivka

NO None

A presentation of different sculptures was reviewed by the commission.

**MOTION TO APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF THE DANCE OF THE HERON SCULPTURE BY COMMISSION MEMBER PERRAULT; COMMISSION MEMBER OWEN SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION APPROVED BY ROLL CALL VOTE.**

YES Chairperson Decker  
Vice-Chairperson Volmar  
Commission Member McNamara  
Commission Member Perreault  
Commission Member Owen  
Commission Member Wesner  
Commission Member Slivka

NO None

**MOTION TO APPROVE PURCHASE ON LOAN THE SHE MOVES LIKE WATER SCULPTURE BY VICE-CHAIRPERSON VOLMAR; COMMISSION MEMBER SLIVKA SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION APPROVED BY ROLL CALL VOTE.**

*YES Chairperson Decker  
Vice-Chairperson Volmar  
Commission Member McNamara  
Commission Member Perreault  
Commission Member Owen  
Commission Member Wesner  
Commission Member Slivka*

*NO None*

## **RESOLUTIONS**

## **ORDINANCES**

### **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**A. Relocation of Community Building Art**

Mr. Carson discussed replacing the red bird at the Community Building with the interactive harp. Mr. Shonk suggested moving the red bird to the corner of Charles Ave. & S. Tremain St. The committee discussed different locations for the red bird.

**B. Mural Opportunities**

Ms. Volmar discussed having more murals in Mount Dora in order to reflect the community and spirit of the City. Ms. Volmar is working with Studio ArtFarm for the mural concepts. German Lemus from Studio ArtFarm commented on the mural locations and asked for different locations that the City owns.

### **COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS**

- A. Commission Member John Wesner**
- B. Chairperson Thomas Decker**
- C. Commission Member Jane Slivka**
- D. Commission Member Maryann McNamara**
- E. Vice-Chairperson Keashawn “Kay” Volmar**
- C. Commission Member Rebecca Owen**
- D. Commission Member Lindsay Perreault**

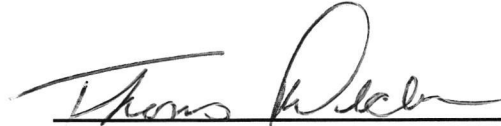
### **FUTURE MEETING DATES**

- A. September 24, 2024, 3:30 p.m.**
- B. November 26, 2024, 3:30 p.m.**

**ADJOURNMENT**

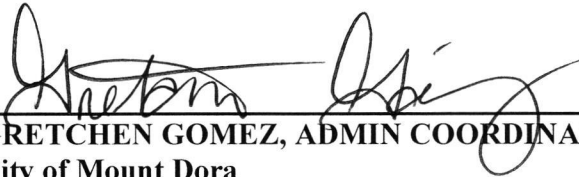
***MOTION BY VICE-CHAIRPERSON VOLMAR TO ADJOURN; COMMISSION MEMBER MCNAMARA SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION APPROVED BY A UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE.***

There being no further business for discussion, the meeting adjourned at approximately 5:24 P.M.



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**THOMAS DECKER, CHAIRPERSON**  
**City of Mount Dora**



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**GRETCHEN GOMEZ, ADMIN COORDINATOR**  
**City of Mount Dora**