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**PUBLIC ARTS COMMISSION MEETING
City Hall Board Room, 510 N. Baker Street, Mount Dora, FL 32757
July 22, 2025 at 3:30 PM**

AGENDA

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call
- III. Approval of Minutes
 - A. May 27, 2025 Public Arts Commission Meeting Minutes
- IV. Public Comment
- V. Presentations
- VI. Action Items
 - A. Noblewins Art Seating
 - B. Approval to Purchase Art Walk Sculpture
- VII. Resolutions
- VIII. Ordinances
- IX. Discussion Items
 - A. Sunset Park Restroom Exterior Wall Mural
- X. City Staff
 - A. Staff Update
- XI. Communications and Reports
 - A. Commission Member Lindsay Perreault
 - B. Commission Member John Wesner
 - C. Commission Member Thomas Decker

- D. Commission Member Jane Slivka
- E. Commission Member Maryann McNamara
- F. Commission Member Keashawn "Kay" Volmar
- G. Commission Member Rebecca Owen

XII. Future Meeting Dates

- A. September 23, 2025, 3:30 p.m.
- B. November 25, 2025, 3:30 p.m.

XIII. Adjournment

NOTICE: Please note that, for purposes of Section 286.011, Florida Statutes, two or more members of the City Council may be present at this meeting, and this meeting may be considered a City Council meeting.

NOTICE: If any person decides to appeal any decisions at this meeting with respect to any matter considered, such person may need a record of these proceedings. For such purpose, a person may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

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DATE: July 22, 2025

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council Members

FROM: Vince Sandersfeld, City Manager

SUBJECT: May 27, 2025 Public Arts Commission Meeting Minutes

Introduction:

Discussion:

Budget Impact:

Strategic Impact:

Recommendation:

Attachment(s):

1. 05.27.25 PAC Minutes

Prepared by: Jennifer Schwarz, Operations Manager
Reviewed by: carsonc carsonc, Special Events Manager
Troy Shonk, Parks & Recreation Director

Approved - 7/17/2025
Final Approval - 7/17/2025

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PUBLIC ARTS
COMMISSION
MINUTES**



**May 27, 2025
City Hall
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CALL TO ORDER

Having been duly advertised as required by law, Chairperson Decker called to order the May 27, 2025, regular meeting of the Public Arts Commission at 3:30 P.M. in the City Hall Council Chambers.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Thomas Decker
Lindsay Perreault
Rebecca Owen
John Wesner

Also Present:

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

Members Not Present:

Jane Slivka
Kaeshawn Volmer
Maryann McNamara

Election of 2025 Chair and Vice-Chair:

MOTION BY COMMISSION MEMBER WESNER, SECONDED BY COMMISSION MEMBER OWEN TO NOMINATE THOMAS DECKER FOR COMMISSION CHAIRPERSON. MOTION APPROVED BY ROLL CALL VOTE.

*YES Chairperson Decker
Commission Member Owen
Commission Member Perreault
Commission Member Wesner*

NO None

MOTION BY COMMISSION MEMBER WESNER, SECONDED BY COMMISSION MEMBER OWEN TO NOMINATE LINDSAY PERRAULT COMMISSION VICE-CHAIRPERSON. MOTION APPROVED BY ROLL CALL VOTE.

*YES Chairperson Decker
Commission Member Owen
Commission Member Wesner
Commission Member Perreault*

NO None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. March 25, 2025 Meeting Minutes

MOTION TO APPROVE BY COMMISSION MEMBER PERRAULT; COMMISSION MEMBER WESNER SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION APPROVED BY A ROLL CALL VOTE.

*YES Chairperson Decker
Commission Member Owen
Commission Member Wesner
Commission Member Perreault*

NO None

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. German Lemus of Studio Art Farm discussed the Sunset Park mural idea. Mr. Lemus came up with art designs and presented them to the commission.

Ms. PJ Svejda of Studio Art Farm discussed the Sunset Park mural idea; brainstorming other art ideas for that space with commission members.

PRESENTATIONS

A. Gift of Freenotes Harmony Park Sculpture - Cathy Lunday, Library Director

Ms. Lunday discussed the gift received from Friends of the Library which is a companion piece to a musical sculpture already located at the library. She explained that throughout the upcoming years, the library will develop a musical sculpture path.

ACTION ITEMS

A. Noblewins Art Seating

Discussion ensued regarding artsy seating areas for the Art Walk at Simpson Cove. Mr. Carson explained to the commission members that a local artists can be hired to design the seating areas. Mr. Carson presented different styles.

MOTION BY COMMISSION MEMBER PERRAULT, SECONDED BY COMMISSION MEMBER WESNER TO FIND A LOCATION AND MOVE TO PURCHASING THE NOBLEWINS ART SEATING IF LOCATION IS FOUND. MOTION APPROVED BY ROLL CALL VOTE.

*YES Chairperson Decker
Commission Member Wesner
Commission Member Perreault
Commission Member Owen*

NO None

B. Release of Reserved Funds for the Aerial Display Program

Discussion ensued regarding the release of reserved funds for the Aerial Display Program due to the Aerial Display Program no longer taking place.

MOTION BY COMMISSION MEMBER OWEN, SECONDED BY COMMISSION MEMBER PERREAULT TO RELEASE THE RESERVED FUNDS FOR THE

***AERIAL DISPLAY PROGRAM BACK INTO THE PUBLIC ARTS COMMITTEE.
MOTION APPROVED BY ROLL CALL VOTE.***

*YES Chairperson Decker
Commission Member Wesner
Commission Member Perreault
Commission Member Owen*

NO None

RESOLUTIONS

ORDINANCES

DISCUSSION ITEMS

CITY STAFF

A. Staff Update

Mr. Carson informed the board members that the Big Chair located at Grantham Point has been repainted. The projection screen has been ordered and should be ready for install once it's been delivered. Mr. Carson also informed the board that Mr. Shonk was able to obtain pavers from the Parks funds for the interactive base located at Simpson Cove. Mr. Carson thanked Parks staff member, Bob Austin, for his work on placing the white rocks around the Heron.

Mr. Carson presented the Lake & Hills Garden Club who are adding a mural to the wall surrounding Edgerton Fountain in Donnelly Park. This art comes at no cost to the Public Arts Commission.

COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS

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

FUTURE MEETING DATES

- A. July 22, 2025 3:30 p.m.**
- B. September 23, 2025 3:30 p.m.**

C. November 25, 2025 3:30 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION BY COMMISSION MEMBER OWEN TO ADJOURN; COMMISSION MEMBER PERRAULT SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION APPROVED BY A UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE.

There being no further business for discussion, the meeting adjourned at approximately 4:29 P.M.

THOMAS DECKER, CHAIRPERSON
City of Mount Dora

GRETCHEN GOMEZ, ADMIN COORDINATOR
City of Mount Dora



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DATE: July 22, 2025

TO: Public Arts Commission Members

FROM: Troy Shonk, Director of Parks and Recreation

SUBJECT: Noblewins Art Seating

Introduction:

The Public Arts Commission recognizes the importance of interactive art in public places.

Discussion:

As part of the Public Art Commission meeting held on May 27, 2025, Advisory Board members entertained the idea of purchasing an artistic bench seat from Noblewins. The bench seat consists of recyclable metal material and has a primed coating which could offer a painted mural. City staff have received feedback from board members on potential locations as well as consideration of future projects which this style bench could benefit from. At this time, staff would like to suggest an opportunity to add this bench to the Palm Island common area illustrated as a supporting document for this item.

Budget Impact:

There are budgeted funds for public arts projects in GL code 001-1340-572.31-01.

Strategic Impact:

The Public Art Commission recognizes the need for projects that were approved within the Public Arts Master Plan.

Recommendation This is an opportunity for the Public Arts Commission to acquire seating art that benefits the gateway of the Palm Island Boardwalk.

Attachment(s):

1. Noble Wins bench- Palm Island
2. Arch Bench dimensions

Prepared by: carsonc carsonc, Special Events Manager
Reviewed by: carsonc carsonc, Special Events Manager
Troy Shonk, Parks & Recreation Director

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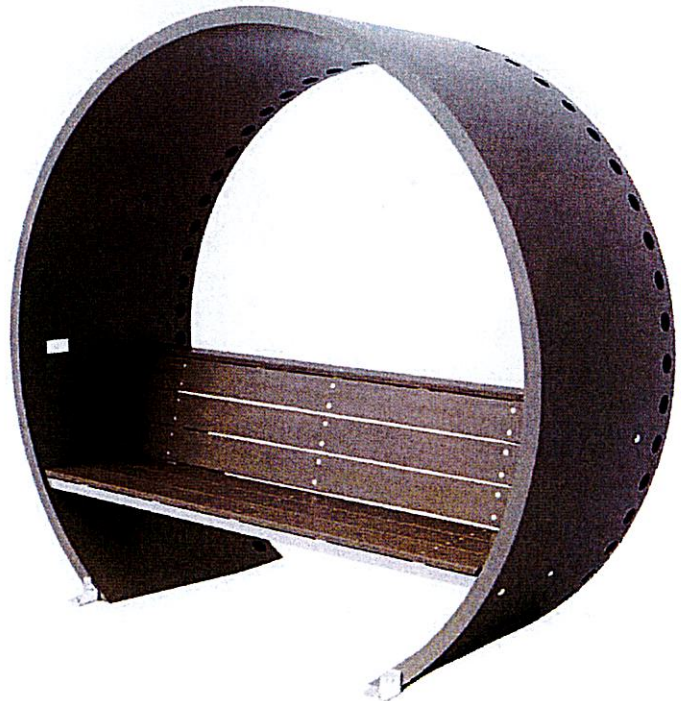
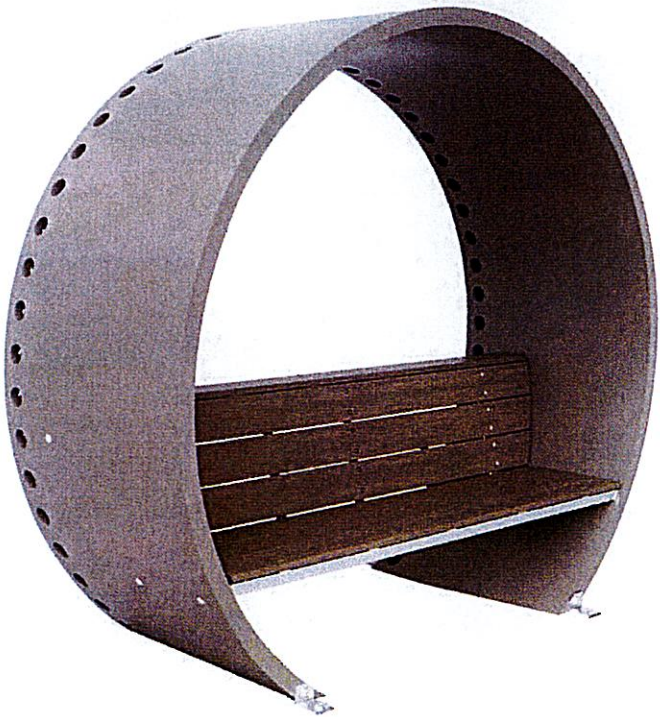
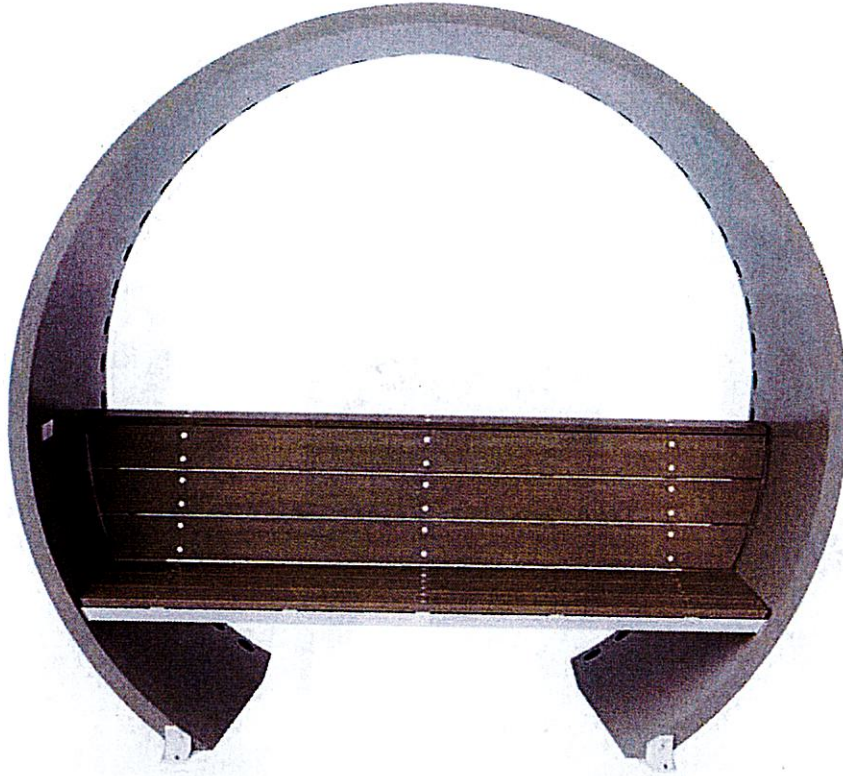
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NOBLEWINS





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TO: Public Arts Commission Members

FROM: Troy Shonk, Director of Parks and Recreation

SUBJECT: Approval to Purchase Art Walk Sculpture

Introduction:

The Public Arts Advisory Board recognizes the significance of offering public art along the waterfront of Simpson Cove.

Discussion:

The Public Arts Advisory Board continues to collaborate with the Mount Dora Center for the Arts in the development and recruitment of public art to best compliment the Art Walk at Simpson Cove. At this time, the Mount Dora Center for the Arts is recommending an artist's sculpture work for Simpson Cove. The artist's name is Bryant Tubbs who resides in Ypsilanti, Michigan is known for creating unique metal sculptures.

Budget Impact:

Each sculpture is available at \$5,000. There are budgeted funds for public arts projects in GL code 001-1340-572.31-01.

Strategic Impact:

The Public Arts Advisory Board recognizes the importance of developing art in public spaces as approved by the Public Arts Master Plan.

Recommendation This is an opportunity for the Public Advisory Board to approval a purchase of a sculpture for the Art Walk located in Simpson Cove.

Attachment(s):

1. Leaf Sculpture by Bryant Tubbs
2. Flags by Bryant Tubbs
3. Eternal Flame Bryant Tubbs

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Leaf by Artist Bryant Tubbs
Approx. 6 feet tall



Flags by Bryant Tubbs
Approx. 7 feet tall



Eternal Flame by Bryant Tubbs
Approx. 6.5-7 feet tall



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TO: Public Arts Commission Members

FROM: Troy Shonk, Director of Parks and Recreation

SUBJECT: Sunset Park Restroom Exterior Wall Mural

Introduction:

This is an opportunity for the Public Arts Commission to further discuss a mural design for the Sunset Park Restroom exterior wall that faces Sunset Park.

Discussion:

As part of the May 27, 2025 Public Arts Commission meeting, members held a discussion on the possibility of having a mural added to the exterior wall of the Sunset Park Restroom wall. There is currently interest from local artist, German Lemus as well as artists from the Mount Dora Art League who are interested in painting a mural on this exterior wall. As part of public comments, artist German Lemus has submitted art designs for consideration and for discussion by members of the Public Arts Commission.

Budget Impact:

There are budgeted funds for public arts projects in GL code 001-1340-572.31-01.

Strategic Impact:

The Public Arts Advisory Board recognizes the importance of developing art in public spaces approved by the Public Arts Master Plan.

Recommendation This is an opportunity for the Public Arts Advisory Board to come to a consensus of a design and a art stipend to award the artist for the mural.

Attachment(s):

1. Sunset Park Restroom exterior wall 1 - German Lemus
2. Sunset Park exterior wall 2 - German Lemus

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