



**CITY OF
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**PUBLIC ARTS COMMISSION MEETING
City Hall Board Room, 510 N. Baker Street, Mount Dora, FL 32757
January 27, 2026 at 3:30 PM**

AGENDA

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call
 - A. Election of 2026 Chair and Vice-Chair
- III. Approval of Minutes
 - A. November 25, 2025 Public Arts Commission Meeting Minutes
- IV. Public Comment
- V. Presentations
 - A. Annual Sunshine Law & Ethics Review
- VI. Action Items
- VII. Resolutions
- VIII. Ordinances
- IX. Discussion Items
- X. City Staff
 - A. Staff Update
- XI. Communications and Reports
 - A. Commission Member Lindsay Perreault
 - B. Commission Member Paula Tucker
 - C. Commission Member Thomas Decker
 - D. Commission Member Jane Slivka
 - E. Commission Member Maryann McNamara
 - F. Commission Member Janet Manchon

G. Commission Member Robert Pearson

XII. Future Meeting Dates

- A. March 24, 2026, 3:30 p.m.
- B. May 26, 2026, 3:30 p.m.
- C. July 28, 2026, 3:30 p.m.
- D. September 22, 2026, 3:30 p.m.
- E. November 24, 2026, 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: January 27, 2026

TO: Public Arts Commission Members

FROM: Troy Shonk, Director of Parks and Recreation

SUBJECT: Election of 2026 Chair and Vice-Chair

Introduction:

According to the bylaws of the Public Arts Commission, at the first meeting of the calendar year, the commission shall elect one of its members as chairman and such officers as it finds necessary.

Discussion:

For the nomination of officers, the board shall consider the following procedure:

Current Chair will call the meeting to order and, after roll call, he/she will open the floor for nominations.

The Chair recognizes the member making the nomination:

“__(name)__, would you please state your name for the record and your nomination?”

Member:

“My name is __(name)__ and I would like to nominate __(name)__ for __(position)__.”

Chair asks the nominee if they consent to the nomination.

If nominee gives their consent, the Chair announces:

“__(name)__ has been nominated for the position of __(position)__. Are there any further nominations?”

Continue until there are no other nominations.

If there is only one nomination, the Chair declares the nominations closed.

“May I have a second motion to nominate __(name)__ as the new __(position)__?”

“Any discussion?”

“All those in favor/opposed?”

Motion carried. Passes/Fails.

If there are multiple nominations, the Chair will take a vote on each nomination in the order they were made.

After tallying the ayes and nays the Chair will announce the nominee that received the majority of the votes:

“_(name)_ has received the majority of the votes. May I have a motion and a second to accept the results of the vote?”

“Any discussion?”

“All those in favor/opposed?”

Motion carried by a voice vote of ____ to ____.

Passes/Fails.

The new Chairperson takes over the meeting at this point.

Budget Impact:

N/A

Strategic Impact:

N/A

Recommendation Commission members elect their 2026 Chair and Vice-Chair.

Attachment(s):

Prepared by: Jennifer Schwarz, Deputy Director of Parks and Recreation

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

Approved - 1/20/2026

Final Approval - 1/21/2026



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FROM: Troy Shonk, Director of Parks and Recreation

SUBJECT: November 25, 2025 Public Arts Commission Meeting Minutes

Introduction:

This is a request for the Public Arts Commission to approve meeting minutes.

Discussion:

Administrative staff prepare minutes and present them to the Commission as an opportunity to make suggestions or corrections prior to final approval.

Budget Impact:

N/A

Strategic Impact:

Detailed minutes ensure that Commission meetings are well documented and votes are recorded for the public record.

Recommendation Commission approve minutes as transcribed.

Attachment(s):

1. 11.25.25 PAC Minutes

Prepared by: Jennifer Schwarz, Deputy Director of Parks and Recreation

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

Approved - 1/20/2026

Final Approval - 1/21/2026

**CITY OF
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PUBLIC ARTS
COMMISSION
MINUTES**



**November 25, 2025
City Hall
510 N. Baker St.
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CALL TO ORDER

Having been duly advertised as required by law, Chairperson Decker called to order the November 25, 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
John Wesner
Maryann McNamara
Jane Slivka

Also Present:

Christopher Carson, Cultural & Special Events Manager
Gretchen Gomez, Parks & Recreation Admin Supervisor

Members Not Present:

Kaeshawn Vomer
Lindsay Perrault
Rebecca Owen

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. September 23, 2025 Meeting Minutes

MOTION TO APPROVE BY COMMISSION MEMBER MCNAMARA; COMMISSION MEMBER SLIVKA SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION APPROVED BY A ROLL CALL VOTE.

*YES Chairperson Decker
Commission Member Wesner
Commission Member McNamara
Commission Member Slivka*

NO None

PUBLIC COMMENT

Dodi Truenow, an artist, discussed the Sunset Park Sailboat Market Mural with the board.

PRESENTATIONS

ACTION ITEMS

A. Sunset Park Restroom Mural

Discussion ensued regarding the Sunset Park Restroom Mural with artist Dodi Truenow. Different art pieces that were presented by Dodi Truenow were looked through and discussed

with the board.

MOTION BY COMMISSION MEMBER SLIVKA, SECONDED BY COMMISSION MEMBER MCNAMARA FOR THE SUNSET PARK SAILBOAT MARKET RESTROOM MURAL TO BE DONE BY DODI TRUENOW FOR THE AMOUNT OF \$5000.00. MOTION APPROVED BY ROLL CALL VOTE.

*YES Chairperson Decker
Commission Member Wesner
Commission Member McNamara
Commission Member Slivka*

NO None

RESOLUTIONS

ORDINANCES

DISCUSSION ITEMS

CITY STAFF

A. Staff Update

Mr. Carson informed the board that the leaf and flag sculptures are set to be received and installed by artist soon. The Noblewins bench is still going through fabrication and should be done by February. Mr. Carson would like the bench to be installed before the Arts Festival.

Mr. Carson stated that due to the New Year coming, some board members are to be reappointed and if they would like to stay on the board to let him know. He also asked the board members to let him know about any ideas they might have for 2026.

COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS

A. Commission Member John Wesner

B. Chairperson Thomas Decker

C. Commission Member Jane Slivka

C. Commission Member Maryann McNamara

Ms. McNamara asked for photos of the art installations to be sent to the board members.

E. Vice-Chairperson Keashawn “Kay” Volmar

F. Commission Member Rebecca Owen

G. Commission Member Lindsay Perreault

FUTURE MEETING DATES

A. January 27, 2026 3:30 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION BY COMMISSION MEMBER SLIVKA 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 4:03 P.M.

THOMAS DECKER, CHAIRPERSON
City of Mount Dora

GRETCHEN GOMEZ, ADMIN SUPERVISOR
City of Mount Dora



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SUBJECT: Annual Sunshine Law & Ethics Review

Introduction:

Florida's Government-in-the-Sunshine Law was enacted in 1967. Sunshine Law statutes establish a basic right of access to most meetings of boards, commissions and other governing bodies of state and local governmental agencies or authorities. Each year, the commission reviews the basics of Sunshine law and other regulations related to their service as members of the commission.

Discussion:

Florida's Government-in-the-Sunshine law provides a right of access to governmental proceedings at both the state and local levels. It applies to any gathering of two or more members of the same board or commission to discuss some matter which will foreseeably come before that board or commission for action. The Sunshine law requires that 1) meetings of boards or commissions must be open to the public; 2) reasonable notice of such meetings must be given, and 3) minutes of the meeting must be taken.

At this time, Mount Dora City Attorney will give a brief overview of Sunshine Law, conflicts of interest, and other matters relating to their service on the commission.

Budget Impact:

N/A

Strategic Impact:

N/A

Recommendation Commission members consider throughout their terms of service on the Public Arts Commission the information shared by the City Attorney.

Attachment(s):

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FROM: Troy Shonk, Director of Parks and Recreation

SUBJECT: Staff Update

Introduction:

Staff Update

Discussion:

Provide updates on the following projects:

- * Art Sculpture installations in Simpson Cove
- * Artistic bench of Noblewins installation in late February at Simpson Cove
- * Sunset Park mural by Dodi Truenow
- * Art acquisition at the Arts Festival
- * Public Arts Commission Members project considerations

Budget Impact:

N/A

Strategic Impact:

N/A

Recommendation

Attachment(s):

1. Donation Receipt Form
2. Art Plaques

Prepared by: Jennifer Schwarz, Deputy Director of Parks and Recreation

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

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Final Approval - 1/23/2026

CITY OF MOUNT DORA DONATION RECEIPT FORM

Date: _____

Donor's Name:

Donor's Phone: _____

Donor's Address:

Donation Amount or Value:

Description of Donation:

Please indicate with 'X' as appropriate:

This donation is unrestricted in its use.

This donation is restricted for the following purpose.

Note: _____

Please indicate with 'X' here if you wish your donation to remain anonymous:

I wish that my donation remain anonymous.

Signature of Donor: _____

Donation may be tax deductible to the extent allowable by law. It is the sole responsibility of the donor to determine fair market value of this donation and tax deductibility.

No goods or services were provided in exchange, in whole or in part, for the donation.

Approved By: _____

City Manager/Department Head

8"

6"

TEMET NOSCE

**EXPLORES THE COMPLEXITY OF
IDENTITY AND SELF-AWARENESS
THROUGH A FUSION OF
PHILOSOPHICAL AND
PSYCHOLOGICAL CONCEPTS.**

Artist: Joaquín Restrepo - 2022

Medium: Resin, iron, and wood

SHE MOVES LIKE WATER

**INSPIRED BY NATURE,
ANATOMY AND
SENSUALITY OF FORM.**

Artist: Mark Wallis - 2023

Medium: Polished Stainless Steel