



Public Art Commission Minutes

Tuesday, June 3, 2025, 12:00 PM

City Hall Overflow Room, CH-116
203 Main Avenue East, Twin Falls, Idaho

Members: Melissa Crane, Chairperson; Janeale Dean, Vice-Chairperson; Amy Westover; Camille Barigar; Drew Nash; Laura Stewart; Tim Hafer

1) Call Meeting to Order/Confirmation of Quorum

Commissioner Crane called the meeting to order at 12:00 PM

Members Attending: Melissa Crane, Chairperson; Amy Westover; Camille Barigar; Drew Nash; Laura Stewart; Tim Hafer

Member absent: Janeale Dean

Staff Attending: Wendy Davis, Mitch Humble, Mable Shurtleff, Jody Green

2) Consent Calendar

a) Request to approve minutes from the following meeting: May 6, 2025

3) Items of Consideration

a) Review and revise Public Art Inventory

Director Davis presented a Public Art list draft to the Commission.

Commissioner Crane noted some of the displayed public art pieces are not owned by the City and would not require City funding for maintenance. From the list - Not City property or does not require City upkeep or maintenance: #4, 12, 9 (on a non-City property and might not be City maintained), 13, 16(a-e), 18 (private building), 19, 20 (no longer exists), 21 (on private property), 22a (one of the artist would like their name removed because the artist is not involved with the piece), 24a-e, and 26a-b.

There was discussion of additional wraps that need to be added to the inventory list.

Commissioner Westover noted it is important to have an updated inventory list to plan for a maintenance budget.

Commissioner Crane noted there's also a metal sculpture by the pool areas that should be added to the inventory list.

Commissioner Nash recommended adding the artists' contact information to the list, which would be helpful in understanding how to care for the art pieces and getting a gauge on pricing for maintenance.

Commissioner Westover suggested adding the original cost of the art pieces. A donation form may have been submitted when the art was gifted to the City. She also suggested more detailed information in a database for each art piece.

Director Davis answered: There are multiple locations where information about each art piece may be available. One of which is the Magic Valley Art Councils Office, while some are with the City Clerk's Office.

Commissioner Crane would like to add liability cost to the City as a column to the inventory list.

Commissioner Hafer suggested listing the original purchase price and the newly appraised price on the inventory list.

Deputy City Manager Humble noted there are paintings displayed within City Hall that may

qualify as Public Art.

There was discussion on delegating inventory task to an individual or a group: walk around town and take inventory of the art pieces.

Commissioner Barigar noted the importance of the estimated timeframe for art piece maintenance requirements and historical maintenance.

Commissioner Stewart noted it is important to have a clear inventory to help with the future commissions' success.

Director Davis noted some of the art pieces may be more exposed to weather, while other pieces may require different types of medium for upkeep and the costs would be better explained for budgeting.

Commissioner Nash noted there are some defunded projects that need to be looked at to see if they may qualify as public art and/or require restoration.

Commissioner Crane suggested prioritizing immediate upkeep/maintenance needs, then decide how to go about this project.

b) Discuss Public Art Commission with respect to City Website, Strategic Plan, and Priority Based Budget

One of the focuses is to update the pictures and list on the Twin Falls Library's website. There was discussion on creating a sub-committee to complete the tasks: inventory, update website, etc.

Commissioner Stewart volunteers to be on the sub-committee. Commissioner Barigar volunteers in Fall 2025 for the sub-committee.

Strategic Plan: subbing art into other places like manhole covers.

There was discussion on getting more financial support for Public Art during budget time. Is there a need to change the language of the plan to enhance the justification of a budget supported by the City?

Deputy City Manager Humble explained the goals of the strategic plan and how the tasks should be tied back into the plan, and that there may be a need to rewrite the Resolution. But it is important for this commission to attend the meetings as a representative and give input on the importance of this commission.

Director Davis noted the commission has a duty to make recommendations to the City Council about ways to help meet the goals of the City's strategic plan.

4) General Public Input

No public present.

5) Public Art Proposal Update

6) Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 01:09 PM

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