

# City of Ann Arbor

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## Meeting Minutes - Draft

Wednesday, March 8, 2023

7:00 PM

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Wednesday March 8th  
Passcode: 552738  
Public Art Commission  
Live at 7pm on CTN Channel 19

**ROLL CALL**

**Presented**

**Present:** 8 - John Kotarski, Allison Buck, Venita Harrison, Peggy Wier-Leonard, Sophie Grillet, Sarah Fuller, Marianetta Porter, and Jamall Bufford

**Absent:** 1 - Cynthia Harrison

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**Approved**

**PUBLIC COMMENT/PRESENTATIONS**

*Jeff Crockett shared an overview of the Community Garden at Center of the City Commons for 2022-2023.*

*Goals and Planning for 2023 include -*

*\*Expand engagement opportunities*

*\*Use of native hardy plants to activate the space*

*\*Funding of \$10,400 for mural placement to promote the garden*

*\*Mary Thiefels will install mural with financial support from Larry Nissen*

*\*All around Ann Arbor, we see wonderful examples of art that lightens up public and private concrete surfaces. From the sides of buildings, to the sides of parking structures, local artists are transforming surfaces and adding vibrancy to our community that displays Ann Arbor's uniqueness in visually-appealing ways.*

*\*Recommendation: Ann Arbor should work with local artists and interested volunteers to design and fund art displays that support a consistent brand for the Center of the City, and artistically 'connect' concrete surfaces in Liberty Plaza, on the Library Lot, and surrounding Library Lane.*

*\*Cost Estimates: \$10,000-12,000, with funding already covered by The Green Team for two murals close to the Library Lot community gardens.*

*\*Project has received City approval and support from Derek Delacourt, Community Services Administrator and City Administrator Milton Dohoney. Moratorium from the City to be shared soon.*

*Nan Plummer from the Treeline Conservancy.*

*\*The Treeline Conservancy has a trail along the east side of the 415 W Washington parking lot. A donor is interested in placement of art at the pedestrian access points as a way to encourage use of the trail. This lot is within a parks space and they will be responsible for the building and vegetation, the DDA operates parking, and the Housing Commission is involved with the redevelopment process.*

*\*Discussion on best selection, type and placement given the unique location of the space*

*\*Additional engagement is needed*

*Adam Fercho, Community Services Landscape Architect Presentation on the West Park Band Shell*

*\*Work group has been formed - prior to engagement kicking off. The representatives of this group include Park and City Staff, as well as a member from the Park Advisory Commission. Team will meet throughout the process, including an initial meeting to go through the planning process. Work Group will be an important piece of the community*

*engagement plan, providing value feedback to the consultant team. Will provide consistency throughout the process.*

*\*Chair Buck shared MACC CIP Grant potentially to help with the band shell reconstruction*

*\*Request that Art Commissioner join the TaskForce for the West Park Band Shell*

*\*Chair Buck shared the Graduate's Artist in Residency Program <https://www.graduatesweetdreams.com/about/>*

**Presented**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**Approved**

**OLD BUSINESS**

*City Flag Design – Mayor Taylor has revised resolution for the March 20th City Council agenda.*

*\*Resolution set for Council action for March 20th Agenda*

*Dingell Bridge Memorial – Mayor Taylor supports moving forward to pursue bridge renaming. Staff will begin to work on the details to move this forward, i.e. site location, size, language, cost, etc.*

*\*Location, style and details of placard have been developed and shared with Mayor Taylor and Councilmember Harrison for final approval.*

**NEW BUSINESS**

*2023 AAPAC Annual Plans & Goals - Approved*

*Reviewed Art Flow Process document - Provides a guide for those interested in placing art within the City of Ann Arbor; with AAPAC Commissioners for review and any additional edits.*

**REPORT FROM STAFF**

*Resolution 23-0227 - Resolution to Approve a Subrecipient Agreement with Creative Washtenaw to Design and Administer a Grant Program for Artists and Arts Organizations on Behalf of the City Using the ARPA SLFRF Funds Allocated for this Purpose (\$500,000) - APPROVED March 6, 2023 City Council Agenda.*

*Section 3 – Administration Fee. Subrecipient shall receive a total of \$40,000 from the \$500,000 of funds allotted to the Project for performance of all administration and reporting services under this agreement (“Administration Fee”). Four payments will be made in the following amounts corresponding to the submittals below. The payments shall be paid upon completion of the identified elements in the Scope of Services as set forth in Article II and upon receipt of invoices and evidence of completions from the Subrecipient.*

- a. \$10,000 upon completion of a work plan, detailed and itemized breakdown of project deliverable elements, and project schedule;*
- b. \$10,000 upon completion of grant program guidelines, eligibility requirements, and outreach/recruitment plan to potential grantees*
- c. \$10,000 upon evidence of grant program promotion/recruitment, application intake and review, and awarding of grants*
- d. \$10,000 upon the completion of the grant program and submission of final reports.*

**REPORT FROM COMMITTEES**

*Business Owners + Developers Work Group*

*\*Upcoming hotel project with idea to bring in public art into rooms or the lobby. Great way to promote local public art.*

*Capital Improvements Project Working Group*

*\*Group continue to work on addition of CIP projects to share with City Council*

*Communication Work Group*

*\*Seeking a Facebook, Instagram account for Public Art Commission. Staff to send to city communications team for consideration.*

*Fundraising Work Group*

*\*Review additional resources for regrating money efforts*

*Leadership + Art Placement Work Group*

*\*Review of current applications to fill vacant commission post and additional look at art flow process for any edits*

*Special Projects Work Group*

*\*No new items to share*

*Outreach Work Group*

*\*No new items to share*

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