



# City of Madison

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## Meeting Minutes - Approved MADISON ARTS COMMISSION

*Consider: Who benefits? Who is burdened?  
Who does not have a voice at the table?  
How can policymakers mitigate unintended consequences?*

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Wednesday, February 18, 2026

5:30 PM

Virtual

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### Interpretation and Accessibility

#### Call to Order/Roll Call

- Present:** 7 - Eli M. Asnien; Angela Johnson; Ren K. LaDassor; T. L. Luke; Michael B. Salerno; Nicholas A. Pjevach and Bethany M. Jurewicz
- Excused:** 3 - Dina Nina Martinez-Rutherford; Papa-Kobina N. Brewoo and Gregory M. Doby

#### Agenda Note:

#### Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Luke, seconded by Asnien, to Approve the January 20, 2026 Minutes. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

#### Public Comment

*Nate Page wishing to speak in support of his public art proposal for the Imagination Center.*  
*Veronica Figeroa registered in support not wishing to speak for DAMA's mural proposal for the Senior Center.*

1. [61239](#) Public Comment

### Disclosures and Recusals

None.

### Discussion Items

2. [89989](#) Imagination Center Percent for Art Project

*Nate Page wishing to speak in support of his public art proposal for the Imagination Center.*

T.L. Luke summarized the score ranking, discussion, and vote of the Public Art Standing Committee and made a motion to select Nate Page's *The Passage of Being* for the Imagination Center Percent for Art commission, with Sujin Lim's *Silver lining: Where Dreams Flow* as an alternate, and to encourage the selected artist to work with stakeholders and staff to further refine the design. Angela Johnson seconded. Chair Nick Pjevach called for discussion and called upon staff to present results from the survey. There were 1200 respondents (summary attached). Some comments included the suggestion of removing road lines and widening opening to 36" to create wheelchair access. Alder Sabrina Madison asked MAC to refer this agenda item to a future MAC meeting in order try to get more student engagement, particularly from the students from Sandburg Elementary. She offered to leverage her relationships with the school to help create access and requested staff provide posters, dots, and age-appropriate questions for the students. T.L. Luke withdrew motion on the table.

Alder Madison offered to act immediately to secure a date for a Sandburg student engagement that would give staff time to collect input from Sandburg students and share the collected data with MAC members so that MAC might be better informed about the opinions of elementary aged students from the surrounding neighborhood before re-scoring.

**A motion was made by Jurewicz, seconded by Luke, to Approve referring the final decision about which artist and design to recommend to the Monday, March 9, noon (CST) Public Art Subcommittee. The motion passed by voice vote/other.**

3. [81439](#) Teejop Community History Public Art

**A motion was made by LaDassor, seconded by Luke, to Approve empowering staff to offer Artist Chloris Lowe a design fee for designing banners that will be**

placed by the City, if budget allows, in the blocks between the Capitol and Monona Terrace. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

4. [79506](#) Madison Senior Center Art Plan

Staff provided background about the need and desire for a nature themed mural inside the Madison Senior Center.

**A motion was made by LaDassor, seconded by Asnien, to Approve endorsing the mural that received a Wisconsin Arts Board grant to commission. The motion passed by voice vote/other.**

5. [87170](#) Existing Art Call

Staff presented results of scoring.

**A motion was made by Asnien, seconded by Luke, to Approve adding all submissions scoring a 6 or above. The motion passed by voice vote/other.**

6. [91543](#) 2026 Administrative Updates

All updates are attached.

7. [91542](#) 2026 Press and Publicity

None.

### Adjournment

**A motion was made by Luke, seconded by LaDassor, to Adjourn at 6:53pm. The motion passed by voice vote/other.**