



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?*

Tuesday, June 10, 2025

5:30 PM

Virtual

The City of Madison is holding the Madison Arts Commission meeting virtually.

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CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

Ren LaDassor left the meeting at 6:30pm.

Present: 8 - Papa-Kobina N. Brewoo; Anthony J. Sansalone; Angela Johnson; Ren K. LaDassor; T. L. Luke; Anna T. January; Nicholas A. Pjevach and Bethany M. Jurewicz

Excused: 1 - Dina Nina Martinez-Rutherford

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Luke, seconded by January, to Approve the April 8, 2025 and May 13, 2025 Minutes. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

PUBLIC COMMENT

1. [61239](#) Public Comment

DISCLOSURES AND RECUSALS**DISCUSSION ITEMS**

2. [08046](#) Poet Laureate Program

A motion was made by Jurewicz, seconded by Johnson, to Approve reappointing Steven Espada Dawson as Madison's Poet Laureate. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

3. [87170](#) Existing Art Call

A motion was made by Jurewicz, seconded by LaDassor, to Approve the Madison Arts Commission has until Monday, June 16, 2025 to score the new submissions to the Existing Art Call, and staff can consider anything that scores 6 and above for City projects (Attached). The motion passed by voice vote/other.

4. [23110](#) Endorsing Community Projects

Jurewicz made a motion, seconded by Luke, to Approve endorsing the mural process listed below for the Tenney Park Beach House. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

1. Parks will select 3 artists from the pre-approved Existing Art Database and invite them to develop a design.
2. Parks will provide a design fee of at least \$500 to each artist to design a mural for the beach house.
3. Artists must email design by September 10 to madisonarts@cityofmadison.com.
4. At the September 15 Public Art Subcommittee meeting, members will discuss the designs (along with community feedback Parks gathers from stakeholders) and recommend a design to the Madison Arts Commission.
5. On September 17, MAC will review & vote on a design.
6. If necessary, MAC's recommendation will go to the Common Council, the Landmarks Commission, the Board of Parks Commissioners, and any other necessary bodies such as UDC, Engineering, etc.
7. At that point Parks will have an approved design that can be fundraised for.
8. The mural should to be painted on a substrate, such as polytab affixed to aluminum panels.
9. MAC requires the mural have a high-quality anti-graffiti coat.
10. MAC suggests an endowment kept at the Parks Foundation (that arts staff has easy access to) for maintenance and in the event the piece needs to be conserved or removed. If the mural becomes a

maintenance burden we will de-accession the mural, giving the artist right of first refusal to have it back.

A motion was made by Luke, seconded by Brewoo, to Approve the 2025 Storm Drain murals (Attached). The motion passed by voice vote/other.

5. [88580](#) 400 Block W Gilman Art Plan

The Chair of the Public Art Standing Committee presented the 400 Block of W Gilman St Art Plan. Staff gave an overview on scoring the proposals from the Social Practice Artists call for a public artwork.

A motion was made by Luke, seconded by Johnson, to Approve Spatula&Barcodes proposal for the 400 Block of W Gillman Street art plan (Attached). The motion passed by voice vote/other.

The Chair of the Public Art Standing Committee presented a proposal for purchasing and installing LED and Aluminum dragonfly light features by Michael Young at the 400 block of W Gilman.

A motion was made by Luke, seconded by January, to Approve the funding and installation of "Dragon Fly" LED and Aluminum light features by Michael Young for placement at the 400 block of W Gilman Street. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

6. [81370](#) Madison Public Market Art Plan

A motion was made by Luke, seconded by Brewoo, to Approve allocating an additional \$50,000 from the Municipal Art Fund to the Madison Public Market Art Plan; move the mural currently proposed for PA-13 (by Monique Karlen and Students from Lafollete & Middleton High Schools) to PA-14; and add two murals by Issis Macias and Rodrigo to PA-13 (Attached). The motion passed by voice vote/other.

7. [87172](#) 2025 MAC Administrative Updates

-Reminders for the Austen Brantley sculpture unveiling and the Teejop Community History Temporary Public Art project call opening. No action taken.

8. [87169](#) 2025 Press and Publicity

No action taken.

ADJOURNMENT