



# City of Madison

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## Meeting Minutes - Approved MADISON ARTS COMMISSION

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Tuesday, July 14, 2015

5:30 PM

215 Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd.  
Room LL-110 (Madison Municipal Building)

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### CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

- Present:** 7 - Sheri Carter; Briony Jean Foy; Kia M. Karlen; Yorel F. Lashley; Cedric A. Johnson; Yvette M. Pino and Barbara M. Schrank
- Absent:** 2 - Sarah Sosa-Acevedo and Sofia A. Snow
- Excused:** 2 - Ginger A. Contreras and Richard P. Tvedt

### APPROVAL OF June 9, 2015 MINUTES

**A motion was made by Johnson, seconded by Carter, to Approve the June 9, 2015 Minutes. The motion passed by voice vote/other.**

### PUBLIC COMMENT

Pastor Josh Miller and Sonia Valle presented a PPT describing their AIPP proposal for the Leopold neighborhood. Sarah Lawton and Lisa Koch presented their AIPP proposal for art in the Monroe Street Library.

### DISCLOSURES AND RECUSALS

Sheri Carter recused herself from voting on the Leopold AIPP proposal.

1. [16466](#) Introduce New Madison Arts Commission Member  
Members introduced themselves to Yorel Lashley. Yorel introduced himself to them.
2. [37449](#) Accepting the Phase 1 report from *Any Given Child Madison* and authorizing the City's continued participation as *Any Given Child Madison* proceeds with Phase 2 - Capacity Building and Implementation.

**A motion was made by Karlen, seconded by Johnson, to RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL TO ADOPT - REPORT OF OFFICER. The motion passed by voice vote/other.**

3. [21297](#) BLINK Proposal Review  
Blink DTour - The Wormfarm institute approached City Arts Administrator with an opportunity to participate in a cultural exchange between our two temporary public art programs. The proposal is for MAC to help fund Blink artist, Thomas Ferrella, to participate in their nationally recognized Farm Art DTour. The DTour is a 50 mile temporary public art route near Reedsburg, Wisconsin that occurs for 2 weeks in fall during The Worm Farm's Fermentation

Fest. In exchange, the Wormfarm will send us one of their *Culture Coaches* late this summer. Commissioners expressed great excitement about this opportunity. MAC will support Ferrella's project at \$500. Ferrella will relinquish committed MAC funding for his Blink project "Drift." "Drift," approved last fall, was on hold due to our inability to secure permission for its siting. Those funds will be reallocated to this pilot exchange project. The commissioners discussed this opportunity. All agreed that it is a good opportunity. Briony Foy expressed concern about the decision making process in this case and in other cases that require an immediate decision. She would like for MAC to establish a process for making last minute decisions going forward.

4. [27011](#)

#### Art in Public Places

Chair took public comment at this time. Pastor Josh Miller and Sonia Valle presented their proposal for Leopold neighborhood (attached)

After that presentation the Chair invited Sarah Lawton and Lisa Koch to present their proposal for a public art installation in the Monroe Street Library.

Discussion: Commissioners like the extensive community involvement in the Leopold Gateway project and the fact that the children are involved. They liked the ability for artwork to be added as future generations of students come through the school. They were concerned that many details of the proposal were not ironed out. They need to see specifics on the exact design, budget, and timeline before fabrication and installation is approved. Any funding they approve today will be contingent on their approval after the design documents, budget, timeline, and installation plan are presented to them again at a future meeting.

Commissioners like the Monroe Street project's potential to educate about the watershed and Monroe Street History. Any funding MAC provides will be contingent on the organizers creating a more solid plan for the education component of this project. MAC members also had concern about the artwork's deaccession plan as it is a very site specific piece. They would like to see a specific plan for how it could be introduced to the community. Organizers should coordinate education curriculum community wide. Foy raised a few questions related to AIPP. 1) Should AIPP projects have an open call process required? 2) Should the library be an eligible applicant? 3) Are we supposed to help the arts community OR are we supposed to place arts in public places?

**A motion was made by Johnson, seconded by Foy, to Approve the Leopold Neighborhood project contingent on review and approval of final design documents, completed budget, timeline. The motion passed by voice vote/other.**

**A motion was made by Carter, seconded by Pino, to Approve the Monroe Street Library project. The motion passed by the following vote:**

**Absent:** 2 - Sarah Sosa-Acevedo and Sofia A. Snow

**Ayes:** 6 - Sheri Carter; Briony Jean Foy; Kia M. Karlen; Yorel F. Lashley; Yvette M. Pino and Barbara M. Schrank

**Noes:** 1 - Cedric A. Johnson

**Excused:** 2 - Ginger A. Contreras and Richard P. Tvedt

5. [22394](#)

#### Madison Arts Commission Standing Committee Assignments

At the next meeting, commissioners will be given the opportunity to select different committees and new members can choose the committees they would like to serve on as well. See attached.

6.     [30511](#)            Madison Art Commission Strategy and Direction  
                                 Referred until more members are in attendance.
  
7.     [33162](#)            Conference & Meetings Report  
                                 Staff will send via email following this meeting (See attached).
  
8.     [36538](#)            2015 Press and Publicity  
                                 See attached.
  
9.     [21279](#)            MAC Administrative Reports

**ADJOURNMENT**

**A motion was made by Johnson, seconded by Karlen, to Adjourn at 7:45 p.m.  
The motion passed by voice vote/other.**