

## Martin County Public Art Advisory Committee Minutes

Commission Chambers
Martin County
Administration Building
2401 SE Monterey
Road
Stuart, FL 34996

#### Monday, September 25, 2023

PRESENT			
Position	Name	Term Expiration	
Chairperson	Michael Readling	January 4, 2025	
Vice Chair	Rex Sentell	January 4, 2025	
Members	Richard Kennedy	January 7, 2025	
	Catherine Winters	December 31, 2023	
	Saadia Tsaftarides	January 4, 2025	
	Cindy Hall	January 4, 2025	

# Position Manager Community Development Specialist Senior Assistant County Attorney STAFF PRESENT Name Susan Kores Noehmi Felix Sebastian Poprawski

\* Indicates a motion

\*\* Indicates a vote

\*\*\* For the record comment

CALL TO ORDER – Meeting was called to order at 4:39 pm.

**DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST - None** 

APPROVAL OF MINUTES - Agenda Item: 24-0069 Draft Meeting Minutes - July 24, 2023

#### **MOTION**

- \* C. Hall motioned to approve the proposed July 24, 2023, meeting minutes as presented
- \*\* C. Winters seconded, and the motion carried UNANIMOUSLY

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

### Agenda Item: 24-0113, AIPP - Maintenance Updates

Noehmi Felix, Community Development Specialist, presented a maintenance update on Manatee Gateway - teak benches and metal, project sign for Live, Learn, and Loggerhead on Hobe Sound Beach and Sailfish Splash Sea Life Murals.

R. Kennedy – make sure when you pressure wash the pavers, they know that the benches have just been restored.

Agenda Item: 24-0115, AIPP – Signs for the Port Salerno Gateway Pelican Project Susan Kores, Manager, Office of Community Development, presented the update on the Port Salerno Gateway Pelican Signage.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Agenda Item: 24-0112, Port Salerno Pelicans – Second Amendment to Agreement for Art Services Noehmi Felix, Community Development Specialist, presented the second amendment for the Port Salerno Pelicans installation agreement. Recommended action for the committee is to approve the amendment for the time extension as presented.

#### MOTION

- \* C. Winters motioned to approve the amendment as presented
- \*\* C. Hall seconded, and the motion carried UNANIMOUSLY

#### Agenda Item: 24-0114, Stuart Gazebo Park

Noehmi Felix, Community Development Specialist, presented the next steps for Stuart Gazebo Park.

- C. Winters These pieces seem to require a lot of maintenance, what is going on with these?
- S. Kores I would say that these were a little aged when we purchased them and we did not pay very much for them. Secondly, two of these needed to be repaired so it was not just refurbishment. They did deteriorate faster than we thought. We are bringing you some future ideas for this beautiful spot as well. I would like to keep the pieces looking as good as possible until we decide.
- C. Hall Are these meant to be displayed in the outdoor elements of Florida? Maybe we should move these to an indoor setting.
- S. Kores This is a possibility.
- C. Hall Will you come back to us with options going forward?
- S. Kores Yes we will depending on what we find and where the art is located.

#### COMMENTS

#### **PUBLIC**

- J. Preast Obviously we have these budget concerns. Trying to figure out, how do we get money?
   We have two roundabouts coming in Rio. Should we consider a program to involve philanthropists just like they did on Jefferson Way with the donation of a sailfish? We should have a mechanism to allow wealthy people to donate public art so that we have that tool available to attract money.
- H. Weese I am a local artist in Hobe Sound, I have over 30 years experience in fine arts, theatre arts, scenic arts and others. I just finished a project at the coastal center and am getting back into the art scene. I do have a question regarding the murals at Sailfish Splash. Is the funding for the maintenance of the stucco?
- N. Felix Yes, this is for the repair of the stucco.
- N. Turrell CEO, Martin Arts please keep your eye out for October 12<sup>th</sup> when new numbers for the economic impact of arts are available. The last time we did a study like this was 2017. ArtsFest will be moved back to Memorial Park next year. The park also will be renovated a bit by the City of Stuart. Gazebo park is great spot for revolving art with the 5 pads, so I am a big fan of that as well. Ocala has a program like this that can be modeled.

ADJOURN – Meeting adjourned at 5:09 pm.	
Recorded and Prepared by:	
Noehmi Felix, Community Development Specialist	Date
Michael Readling, Chair	 Date

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