



Martin County

Public Art Advisory Committee

Meeting Minutes

Commission Chambers, Martin County-Admin Building
2401 South East Monterey Road, Stuart, Florida

Monday, December 1, 2025

PRESENT

Position	Name	Term Expiration
Chair	Robert Krebs	January 27, 2027
Members	Saadia Tsaftarides	January 13, 2029
	Jamie Rolle Taylor	December 31, 2027
	Cindy Hall	January 13, 2029

ABSENT

Position	Name	Term Expiration
Vice Chair	Michael Reading	January 13, 2029
Members	Chuck Smith	January 13, 2027
	Rex Sentell	January 13, 2029

STAFF PRESENT

Position	Name
CRA Director	Susan Kores
CRA Specialist	Dianne Racek
CRA Coordinator	Elise Raffa
Assistant County Attorney	Frank Moehrle
Assistant County Administrator	George Stokus

*** Indicates a motion**

**** Indicates a vote**

***** For the record
comment**

CALL TO ORDER Meeting was called to order at 4:11PM

DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST- None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Agenda Item: 26-0345, Draft Meeting Minutes – September 22, 2025

MOTION

*C. Hall motioned to approve the proposed September 22, 2025; meeting minutes as presented.

**J. Rolle Taylor seconded, and the motion carried UNANIMOUSLY

COMMENTS

1. PUBLIC - None

NEW BUSINESS

Agenda Item: 26-0314, AIPP - HOBE SOUND PUBLIC LIBRARY MURAL PROJECT
ARTIST RECOMMENDATION

On November 24, 2025, staff evaluated sixteen (16) eligible artist applications submitted for the Hobe Sound Public Library Mural Project and identified the three highest-scoring artists: Nick Albano (88 points), Nathan Delinois (88 points), and Daniela Sanchez-Vegas (86 points). The AIPP Committee reviewed the staff-recommended shortlist, with the option to review all sixteen applications, and selected one artist for the project.

MOTION

* J. Rolle Taylor motioned to move forward with reviewing the 3 staff-recommended shortlist in lieu of reviewing all 16 artists at a separate meeting.

**C. Hall seconded, and the motion carried UNANIMOUSLY

COMMENTS

E. Raffa- You have fifteen minutes to review the three staff-recommended shortlisted artists.

C. Hall- What is the length of the wall?

E. Raffa- Eighty-eight feet, six inches total.

R. Krebs- I like the second design. It has depth, and the graffiti style works well based on his previous work.

C. Hall- The third design is interesting in how it is superimposed on the building.

R. Krebs- In the third design, I do not like the kids in black and white.

S. Tsafarides- Can we ask for modifications?

E. Raffa- You must score each design as presented.

F. Moehrle- If you ask for changes and select an artist based on that, the artist could decline. To be fair, we need to rank and score what has been submitted.

Further discussion took place between the committee members over the three applicants and their attributes and overall design.

Public Comment:

L. Goodine (MC Library staff) - This mural is part of a larger project in an outdoor space that includes the nature preserve. We want it to reflect Hobe Sound's natural beauty—plants, animals, and a love of reading. There will also be 3D-printed book benches from Printera. We are focusing on books and a natural feel, and the second design fits that vision best.

S. Steele (HS Library staff) - The second mural reflects the surrounding environment well. It makes reading fun, and the rare, endangered pine scrub is showcased beautifully.

J. Rolle Taylor- I rank Nathan number one, Nick two, and Daniela three.

S. Tsafarides- I rank Nick number one, Daniela, two, and Nathan three.

C. Hall- I rank Nick number one, Daniela two, and Nathan three.

R. Krebs- I rank Nathan number one, Nick two, and Daniel three.

R. Krebs- We have a tie. We need a tie breaker.

E. Raffa- We would like to have just one to recommend to the Board.

S. Kores- The board will break the tie and select one artist today by reviewing public comments, rescoring, and addressing any remaining concerns. Justin from Printera will speak about the book benches first and to give everyone a little break.

J. D'Angelo- The book benches have been printed and will have faux-wood toppers for the book covers. They should arrive any day now, and we can install them once the library is ready.

R. Krebs- I really like the scrub depicted in the second design.

C. Hall- The second design feels dark to me.

J. Rolle Taylor- The library staff know the community best. The panther in the first design is large and could be intimidating, but I like the diversity in the second design.

S. Kores- The committee will need to review the criteria and score each applicant.

J. Rolle Taylor- Is there a criteria page we can review?

E. Raffa- I can pull it up. Rankings are based on resume, experience, statement of interest, and the current design.

J. Rolle Taylor- What categories are we scoring?

S. Kores- They are on the screen now: Artist Quality and Concept, Artist Experience, Community and Cultural Resonance, Proposal Execution, and Statement of Interest. You will only be scoring on the first three criteria.

Jamie- I gave Nick 70 points, Nathan 85, and Daniela 60 for those criteria.

S. Tsaftarides- I gave Nick 80 points, Nathan 78, and Daniela 65.

C. Hall- I gave Nick 65 points, Nathan 73, and Daniela 71.

R. Krebs- I gave Nick 80 points, Nathan 85, and Daniela 75.

E. Raffa- Jamie's top artist was Nathan, Saadia's was Nick, Cindy's was Nathan, and Bert's was Nathan. Nathan received three out of four top scores.

* S. Tsaftarides motioned to recommend Nathan Delinois as the final muralist to go before the Board.

**J. Rolle Taylor seconded, and the motion carried UNANIMOUSLY

Agenda Item: 26-0360, ARTSFEST 2026

Staff outlined the Martin County Art in Public Places (AIPP) program activities to take place during ArtsFest on Saturday, February 7 and Sunday, February 8, 2026.

N. Turrell- I am excited to have ArtsFest this year and engage the community in the largest celebration of the arts. We will feature a special event, *The Art of Food and Wine*, with food and wine pairings in a private, higher ticketed area. We have partnered with Treasure Coast Charity Wine Fest to raise additional funds supporting families and mental health initiatives.

S. Tsaftarides- I like the tote bag idea.

R. Krebs- Will there be a survey again?

E. Raffa- Yes.

MOTION

*C. Hall motioned to approve the activities for Arts Fest 2026; as presented.

**J. Rolle Taylor seconded, and the motion carried UNANIMOUSLY

OLD BUSINESS

Agenda Item: 26-0353 AIPP Program/Project Updates

Elise Raffa, Community Development Coordinator, provided an update of the public art projects for Palm City Place and Patio, Manatee Pocket Mooring Field Upland Facility, and Hobe Sound Public Library.

COMMENTS

- 1. PUBLIC- None
- 2. MEMBERS- None
- 3. STAFF- None

ADJOURN – Meeting adjourned at 5:13PM.

Recorded and prepared by:

Dianne Racek, Community Development Specialist

Date

Robert Krebs, Chair

Date

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