



**Martin County
Public Art Advisory Committee
Minutes**

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

Monday, March 24, 2025

Position

Chair
Vice Chair
Members

PRESENT

Name
Robert Krebs
Michael Reading
Saadia Tsaftarides
Jaime Rolle Taylor
Chuck Smith
Rex Sentell

Term Expiration
January 27, 2027
January 13, 2029
January 13, 2029
December 31, 2027
January 13, 2027
January 13, 2029

Position
Member

ABSENT

Name
Cindy Hall

Term Expiration
January 13, 2029

Position

Community Development Coordinator
Community Development Director
Community Development Specialist
Assistant County Attorney
Assistant County Administrator

STAFF PRESENT

Name
Elise Raffa
Susan Kores
Noehmi Lopez
Frank Moehrle
George Stokus

* Indicates a motion

** Indicates a vote

*** For the record comment

CALL TO ORDER – Meeting was called to order at 4:45 pm.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Agenda Item: 25-0828 Draft Meeting Minutes – January 27, 2025

MOTION

* M. Reading motioned to approve the proposed January 27, 2025, meeting minutes as presented
** R. Sentell seconded, and the motion carried UNANIMOUSLY

DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST – None

COMMENTS

1. PUBLIC
 - None

NEW BUSINESS

Agenda Item: 25-0829, AIPP – ArtsFest 2025 Recap

Noehmi Lopez, Community Development Specialist, presented to the committee the recap for Artsfest 2025 that was held February 8th and 9th.

OLD BUSINESS

Agenda Item: 25-0830, AIPP – Temporary Public Art Opportunity

Elise Raffa, Community Development Coordinator presented a unique temporary public art opportunity with internationally renowned artists Gillie and Marc, known for their animal, human-animal hybrid, and abstract sculptures displayed worldwide.

R. Krebs – I love it!

S. Tsaftarides – This has to be hurricane-proof.

E. Raffa – We would work with an installation team for that. They are also looking for high traffic areas to display the art piece.

S. Tsaftarides – I would go to a chamber of commerce and see if any big companies would consider partnering up with us. This is pretty expensive even to loan.

S. Kores – This is a great opportunity. We would like to vet out some possibilities for partnerships and we are asking if you would allow us to do that and we will bring it back to you in terms of a possible deal hopefully.

S. Tsaftarides – You have my blessing.

C. Smith – Does the price include installation?

E. Raffa – The loan includes insurance, shipping, and PR packaging.

MOTION

* M Readling motioned that staff move forward in pursuing the temporary public art opportunity with Gillie and Marc

** R. Sentell seconded, and the motion carried UNANIMOUSLY

OLD BUSINESS

Agenda Item: 25-0831, AIPP – Program/Project Updates

Elise Raffa, Community Development Coordinator, provided an update on the Manatee Pocket Mooring Field Upland Facility and requested that the PAAC appoint a subcommittee based on staff's recommendations, in accordance with the Public Art Program Manual. She also shared a brief update regarding the Hobe Sound Public Library.

E. Raffa – In our program manual the PAAC makes appointments for subcommittee members aside from subcommittee roles held by county staff members, those appointments are made by heads of department. In lieu of an Architect/Landscaper/Engineer, staff would like the PAAC to appoint Mia Lindberg as the professional artist and consider Karen Worden, Terry Davis and Kim Singleton as for appointment for the Community Representative roles.

S. Kores – We are looking for one person from the NAC and one person from the community. We just came up with a few folks that we thought would make good representatives. Terry Davis was really involved with the mooring field going up, is a Park Drive resident as well as a landscape architect. Then as an NAC representative, we thought Karen Worden, Kim Singleton, or Leonard Lee being new would be an interesting choice.

J. Rolle-Taylor – That is a tough call. Mia definitely as a mosaic artist. Let's ask Karen and see if she is interested as our NAC representative and Terry Davis as our Community Representative.

MOTION

* J. Rolle-Taylor motioned to recommend Mia Lindberg as the Architect/Landscaper/Engineer representative, Karen Worden as a Neighborhood Advisory Committee representative and Terry Davis as our Port Salerno Community Representative

** M Readling seconded, and the motion carried UNANIMOUSLY

COMMENTS

PUBLIC

- None

MEMBERS

- R. Sentell – The benches you are getting for the Hobe Sound Library have you picked those out?
- E. Raffa – We are having Printera create them once we get the green light going with the library.

STAFF

- E. Raffa provided the following updates: MartinArts's Impact100 grant application and Rio Moasic Benches and Bike Racks.
- M. Readling – Was there a decision if the AIPP committee was able to help fund some of the Rio Moasic Benches and Bike Racks?
- S. Kores – My recommendation is to say no. Rio has the funds to pay for them, and AIPP may want to do something new.
- S. Tsaftarides – Perhaps we match the Rio Civic Club they are helping with \$6,000.00.

MOTION

* S. Tsaftarides motioned to give \$6,000.00 to the Rio CRA to help with the Rio Moasic Benches and Bike Racks.

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

ADJOURN – Meeting adjourned at 5:17 pm.

Recorded and Prepared by:

Noehmi Lopez, Community Development Specialist

Date

Robert "Bert" Krebs, Chair

Date

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