



AGENDA
ATHENS MUNICIPAL ARTS COMMISSION
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2023 AT 5:30 PM

1. Establish Quorum

2. Disposition of Minutes

- October 11, 2023

3. Legislative Updates

4. Public Projects

- Fire Headquarters Percent for Art Update

5. Other Projects

- Athens City Mural audit and enhancement
- Art Outside the Box
- Armory gallery
- Recommendation to City Council to install art at the new park development
- Recommendation to City Council to send AMAC representatives to the 2024 OAC Conference/Awards
- Recommendation to City Council to reduce the cost of a special vending license for artists

6. ARTSWest / APRD Updates

7. Announcements & Other Business

- Carol Patterson's project & request

- Next Meeting: January 10, 2024 (No December meeting)

8. Adjournment

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AMAC meeting minutes
October 11, 2023
5:30-7:00 PM
Location: Arts/West
132 West State Street
Athens, Ohio 45701

Present: David Telega, Nancy Epling, Kate Fetterolf, Kelee Riesbeck, Tina Wilson, Jeff Risner.

Guest: Robert Delach

Regrets: Andrew Chiki, Katherine Ann Jordan, Devin Sudman, Holly Ittel Shriner

- Legislative updates: Jeff Risner
Update: Oakmont Community Park:
 - Project is finished except large stones for people to sit.
 - Grant was specific to funds for landscaping.
 - Lighting will wait until spring.
 - There are no plans for an art installation as of now but it open to it.
- Armory rehabilitation: No discussions about art being installed either permanently or temporarily via exhibitions. The space could easily be a gallery.
 - Kate talked to [Zach Reizes](#) from Sunday Creek Horizons. No plan for gallery space and security is a question.
 - AMAC will talk to Mayor Patterson in November. Kelee, Kate, Nancy.
 - Invite Mayor to November meeting to discuss more about the
 - Kelee asks for plans from Andy Stone.
- Ordinance to reduce the Uptown vendor fee for artists: Jeff and Robert Delach
 - Current: \$200/month
 - Reduce to \$100/month.
 - Guest Robert Delach proposes even lower.
 - Jeff: proposed \$25/month.
 - City has set aside parking for vending.
 - Brick and mortar businesses who have vendors in parking spaces near their business; their overhead is higher than a food cart.
 - Fee is about access to the city's right of way; this isn't a license to vend but a spot to vend, called a Special Vending License
 - City code would issue the license to make sure they meet the criteria of artist.
 - One parking spot in Athens makes ~\$200 in parking fees (daily?).
 - Vendor license in OH is \$25 + peddling license + insurance ~\$200 annually.
 - Next step is advocate to Mayor Steve Patterson and City Council to reduce the Athens Special Vending License from \$200/month to \$25/month for artists to set up in any parking lot Uptown. Some restrictions include not vending near a brick and mortar business that sells similar

- items as the outdoor artist vendor.
 - Letter to Mayor Steve Patterson and cc to council with this recommendation
 - Kate: What if we have a co-op gallery like we did before. There is now a art glass studio at 21 Kern Street.
- Minutes from September 13, 2023 AMAC meeting for approval. Changes to Fetterolf and Riesbeck. Jeff Riesner moved, Tina Wilson seconds. Motion to approve the minutes approved.
- Public Projects:
 - Fire Headquarters- Percent for Art update: Holly Itte. No info ready for meeting. Ask Holly send update to AMAC when it emerges.
- Other Projects:
 - Athens City Mural Walk audit and enhancement: David Telega and Kelee Riesbeck
 - David: Stage 1 submitted to mAppAthens. Working on Stage 2, aim to submit by Dec. 1 Stage 3 maybe by early January.
 - Art Outside the Box project: create a booklet and/or landing page for QR codes on the boxes Kelee Riesbeck, Tina Wilson, Kate Fedderolff
 - Kate: need to figure out format—will it be a booklet? A website?
 - Asked Andrew Chiki for photos.
 - Like the idea of doing it by neighborhood like the mural walk.
 - Kate and Tina will use the mAppAthens.org site to post the content when it's ready.
 - Kate will proceed with getting the date, photos, etc. from Andrew C. and Holly. Timeline:
 - Arts West / APRD Update: Katherine Ann Jordan. Not present so no update other than hiring and onboarding new Arts/West arts and education coordinator.
 - Announcements and other business
- Discussion about dance classes offered at the Community Center:
 - Nancy Epling; why not colab with FSS students to teach the classes so as not to compete? Something to think about and add to next month's agenda. Ballroom dancing?

Robert Delach: parking garage mural.

- top deck mural project
- Nancy Epling will take this project on, using a similar method as used for the murals and traffic box wraps projects.

- Action items:

Update on the following action items:

- Kelee Riesbeck
 - Prepare a recommendation to council to install art at the new park development; hold until November meeting
 - Prepare a recommendation to council to send AMAC representatives to the OAC Conference/Awards in 2024; hold until November meeting
 - Matthew Starkey of ACCS shared with Kelee that no muralist has been chosen yet. He'll let Kelee know when one has been chosen.

• Adjourn Motion to adjourn by Kate Fetterolf, second by Nancy Epling.
Motion passed, AMAC adjourned.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, November 8, 2023, 5:30-7:00 PM at Arts/West