

AMAC Meeting Minutes

Oct 9, 2024

In attendance:

Kelee Riesbeck, Jeff Risner, Andrew Chiki, Kate Fetterolf, David Telega

In absentia:

Holly Ittle, Devin Sudman, Nancy Epling, Tina Wilson, Katherine Anne Jordan

I. City Council / Legislative Updates:

Andrew:

- This week is "Budget Week," that is, time to send budget requests to City Council.
- Budget requests from AMAC for 2025 are due by Friday, Oct 11, 2024.

Budget Funding Discussion:

- Kelee: Ask for money for the trifold, mural brochure
- Kate: Money could be used for conferences/conference meals
- Kelee: Could money be budgeted for another Rt 33 Underpass mural?
- Andrew: Money for such a project would likely come from the Mayor's "Special Projects" Fund

II. Minutes from last meeting, Sept 11, 2024

- Review/discussion/approval postponed to the Nov 13, 2024 AMAC Meeting

III. Updates on the Sculpture Park

Andrew:

- The Sculpture Park opening has been delayed.
- Delays are partially due to 1.) Structural Engineer approval required for footers (ground support) for pieces over five feet tall and 2.) Asphalt/concrete work is considerably behind schedule.

IV. Mural Walk - Updates

David:

- Feedback from the Disabilities Commission regarding the tri-fold paper brochure reviewed. Feedback consisted of ensuring mural sites were accessible. It was suggested that the route be walked and reviewed for ADA compliance.

Jeff:

- Perhaps set up a report to document potential accessibility issues

David:

- Other feedback included how the descriptions could be tweaked to increase accessibility.

Kelee:

- Descriptions of murals could be more straightforward to help with accessibility issues

David:

- One final piece of feedback raised the question of the possibility to embed audio in QR codes. A discussion ensued about technological work-arounds to figure it out.

V. Art outside the Box

Kate:

- Digital assets were sent to Nancy Stevens at mApp Athens and were received positively

- Accessibility of the traffic boxes was discussed, with the different modes of transportation needed to reach certain boxes.

VI. RFP for an Outdoor Sculpture at the Athens Community Center

- AMAC has been tasked with creating a RFP and selecting one sculpture for recommendation to the Mayor and City Council.

- An ad hoc committee of 2 AMAC and 2 RAB Commissioners and 1 community member shall be formed

- To discuss further in November

VII. Other Business:

Terms Coming up soon: Devin – September 2025; David - November 2025

VIII. Motion to Adjourn:

Jeff Motioned; Kate Seconded; All Favored; It So Moved at 6:26 PM.