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Meeting Agenda **Public Art Committee**

Tuesday, June 24, 2025

12:30 PM

Civic Center Community Room

SPECIAL CALLED

After determining that a quorum is present, the Public Art Committee of the City of Denton, Texas will convene in a Special Called Meeting on Tuesday, June 24, 2025, at 12:30 p.m. in the Civic Center Community Room at 321 E. McKinney Street, Denton, Texas, at which the following items will be considered:

1. PRESENTATION FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

This section of the agenda permits a person to make comments regarding public business on items not listed on the agenda. This is limited to two speakers per meeting with each speaker allowed a maximum of four (4) minutes. Such person(s) shall have filed a "Blue Card" requesting to speak during this period prior to the calling of this agenda item.

2. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

PAC25-018 Receive a report, hold a discussion, and give staff direction on a mural project underway

at MLK Rec. Center provided for by a grant from Keep America Beautiful.

Exhibit 1- Agenda Information Sheet Attachments:

B. PAC25-019 Receive a report, hold a discussion, and give staff direction, to approve or deny the

acceptance of several art works as a donation from The Art Room.

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3. CONCLUDING ITEMS

Under Section 551.042 of the Texas Open Meetings Act, respond to inquiries from the Public Art Committee or the public with specific factual information or recitation of policy, or accept a proposal to place the matter on the agenda for an upcoming meeting AND Under Section 551.0415 of the Texas Open Meetings Act, provide reports about items of community interest regarding which no action will be taken, to include: expressions of thanks, congratulations, or condolence; information regarding holiday schedules; an honorary or salutary recognition of a public official, public employee, or other citizen; a reminder about an upcoming event organized or sponsored by the governing body; information regarding a social, ceremonial, or community event organized or sponsored by an entity other than the governing body that was attended or is scheduled to be attended by a member of the governing body or an official or employee of the municipality; or an announcement involving an imminent threat to the public health and safety of people in the municipality that has arisen after the posting of the agenda.

NOTE: The Public Art Committee reserves the right to adjourn into a Closed Meeting on any item on its Open Meeting agenda consistent with Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, as amended, or as otherwise allowed by law.

CERTIFICATE

I certify that the above notice of meeting was posted on the official website (https://tx-denton.civicplus.com/242/Public-Meetings-Agendas) and bulletin board at City Hall, 215 E. McKinney Street, Denton, Texas, on June 18, 2025, in advance of the 72-hour posting deadline, as applicable, and in accordance with Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code.

OFFICE OF THE CITY SECRETARY

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AGENDA INFORMATION SHEET

DEPARTMENT: Parks and Recreation

ACM: Christine Taylor, Assistant City Manager

DATE: June 24, 2025

SUBJECT

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BACKGROUND

Keep America Beautiful, a nonprofit organization founded in 1953 to encourage neighborhood beautification through such efforts as litter cleanup and tree-planting, offers a Martin Luther King Jr. Corridor Community Grant that provides funding for beautification efforts on streets and at public facilities that are named in honor of the great and esteemed Civil Rights leader.

City of Denton Staff applied for grant consideration in February and heard back from Keep America Beautiful that they will be provided with \$20,000.00 to support a community mural project at the MLK Jr. Recreation Center. This project will be artist-led but will be completed with the help of community volunteers.

Staff are currently in the early stages of this project, working with community members in Southeast Denton to clarify artistic styles and themes for the project. Staff are also considering how best to adhere the murals to the façade of the MLK Jr. Recreation Center and are currently exploring the use of aluminum panels. These panels would have the benefit of not interfering with the MLK Jr Center's brick facing and would be much easier for volunteers to paint before they are installed on the building itself.

RECOMMENDATION

None.

FISCAL INFORMATION

There will be an associate maintenance cost with artistic elements mounted on the MLK Center's exterior. Staff are working to determine what material, primer, paints, and topcoats should be the most durable and require the least maintenance in the longer term. Currently, there are no funds budgeted for future maintenance of a mural at the MLK Jr. Recreation Center.

EXHIBITS

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Respectfully submitted: Gary Packan, Parks and Recreation

Prepared by:

Omar Siddiqi, Parks and Recreation

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BACKGROUND

In April, The Art Room reached out to City staff about the possibility of creating original art for installation at the ALH Senior Center as part of their annual community art project.

ALH Staff met with representatives from The Art Room and from those discussions three art works were proposed for donation: 1) a large (5ft x 10ft) mural featuring an artistic rendering of the original ALH building to be placed in the hallway, 2) a large fabric quilt (3-4 ft x 4-5 ft) featuring a Sankofa bird motif, and 3) an outdoor mosaic concrete bench featuring a Sankofa bird and American Flag to be placed between two existing unused planters.

The Art Room representatives also wanted to include mosaic Sankofa egg motifs on planters on either side of the mosaic bench, if resources allowed. Parks and Recreation staff and staff from The Art Room are working to finalize the exact details of the donated artwork. The mockups provide a sense of current proposals but are subject to change (see Exhibit 2- Art Mockups from The Art Room and Exhibit 3 Planter images).

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends accepting The Art Room's donation and recommends its installation at the ALH Senior Center.

FISCAL INFORMATION

Each element of The Art Room donation will have a maintenance component. For indoor items maintenance should be minimal but some conservation work may be necessary during the life of the artwork. Exterior art works will need to be cleaned regularly and inspected for damage. Currently, no funds are budgeted for art maintenance.

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Quilt



Mural-panels



Mosaic Bench











