



CITY OF FRANKLIN

MINUTES

PUBLIC ART ADVISORY COMMISSION

May 8, 2025

Members Present:

Ken Kosky, President
Josh Hendrickson, Vice President
Christy Locke
Vicki Noblitt
Chrissy Robertson
Dave Windisch

Others Present:

Dana Monson	Community Development Specialist
Alex Getchell	Senior Planner I

Call to Order

Ken Kosky called the meeting to order at 8:01 a.m.

Roll Call & Determination of Quorum

Approval of Minutes

February 13, 2025 Meeting Minutes – Vicki Noblitt moved to approve. Josh Hendrickson seconded. Passed unanimously, 6-0.

Committee Reports

Community Art Committee: Ken Kosky – The Artcraft alley is complete. Nick Crisafulli entered the meeting at 8:03. Indiana Arts Commission stated Franklin was the first in Indiana to complete their Creative Convergence project. This was the funding source for the Artcraft alley project. The remaining banner brackets should be delivered to the Street Department by early next week, so all banners will be up by Ethos. Intersection art should be the end of July or the first part of August.

Programming Committee: Josh Hendrickson — They met, but the Ethos art was not available for review. Ms. Monson and Danny Causey met yesterday and approved known artists. Jennifer Denney of Elevate Marketing has been hired by DDF and will be doing a campaign for regional artists, specifically on the East Coast. Current count is 53. No local artists have signed up yet.

Old Business

New Business

Franklin Mayor's Youth Leadership Council Presentation – Generator Art – Taylor McHenry and Ben Worland– Ms. McHenry presented the background on how this project came to be and their proposed design. Mr. Worland presented their budget overview, breaking down their proposed total project cost



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of \$1,000. Completion is projected for early summer. Mr. Kosky asked about Ms. McHenry's involvement with art, and she confirmed her interest and experience with art and specifically itemized a couple of area art awards she has won. Mr. Crisafulli asked if there is any budget stipend for the artist. Both he and Mr. Kosky agreed that some remuneration, as is typically the case, would be desirable. He identified that the Artcraft alley came in under budget for PAAC's contribution, so he suggested that perhaps some of those funds could be diverted to that. Mayor Steve Barnett spoke out against this. He preferred that any remuneration be donated to the Mayor's Youth Council budget as a whole. Chrissy Robertson affirmed their design and will work with them as well. Mr. Hendrickson highlighted that some of the previously painted boxes in town have shown some wear in comparison to the ones LuAnn Lietz has painted, and wondered if there was some way to learn from Ms. Lietz what her process included for longevity. Dave Windisch added that there is a coating they have used on some of their murals. It runs about \$130/gallon. Mr. Windisch also added that some of their smaller color areas might only require a quart. Ms. McHenry stated the generator size to be 140" by 51".

Ms. Noblitt moved for approval. Ms. Robertson seconded. Passed unanimously, 6-0.

Farmers' Market Art Day – June 7 – Dana Monson – The Program Committee will meet to decide on what PAAC would like to do. Four volunteers total will be needed for the day. One shift is from 7-10 am and one from 10 am-12:30 pm. Board members were asked to submit any ideas they have to Ms. Monson. Christy Locke will be in Chicago on June 7.

Creative Economy Survey – Dana Monson – CIRDA has appointed a subcommittee for Creative Economy to further art efforts and exposure in the region. Mayor Barnett serves on the board. Ms. Monson is on the subcommittee. Ms. Robertson spoke at their last meeting. It is a two-part focus and effort. Ms. Monson is continuing to work on the water tower project through this program as a possibility. They sent out a Creative Economy survey. Ms. Monson sent it to the board members and will send it again today, asking all to send it out to as many as possible. So far, only approximately 100 have been returned.

Date of Next Meeting

June 12

Community Art – Immediately following this meeting

Programming Committee – May 15, 8:00 am, City Hall

Adjournment:

There being no further business, Mr. Windisch moved to adjourn the meeting with a second from Mr. Crisafulli.

Respectfully submitted this 12th day of June 2025.



Ken Kosky, President

Victoria Ratliff, Secretary