



**CITY OF YPSILANTI
ARTS COMMISSION MEETING
Thursday, April 14, 2022 @ 7:00 PM
Council Chambers
One South Huron, Ypsilanti, MI 48197**

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II. ROLL CALL

Commissioner McAtee
Commissioner Ventour
Commissioner Seagraves
Commissioner Thompson
Commissioner Settles

III. AGENDA APPROVAL

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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A. [3-10-22 Arts Commission Minutes](#)

V. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION/COMMISSION RESPONSE

VI. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Poet Laureate Presentation - Molly Raynor and Ciatta
- B. Embracing our Differences - Artists Reception
- C. Parkridge Community Center Mural

VII. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Public Art Process & Guidelines

VIII. UPDATES

- A. Arts Events and Happenings around the City

IX. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION/COMMISSION RESPONSE

X. PROPOSED BUSINESS

XI. NEXT MEETING DATE

May 12, 2022

XII. ADJOURNMENT



**ACTION MINUTES
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II. ROLL CALL

Commissioner McAtee		P
Commissioner Ventour		A
Commissioner Seagraves		P
Commissioner Thompson	(C)	P
Commissioner Settles		P

III. AGENDA APPROVAL

Commission McAtee moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Commissioner Seagraves.

Approved: Yes - 4, No - 0, Absent - 1

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner McAtee moved to approve the minutes, seconded by Commissioner Seagraves.

Approved: Yes - 4, No - 0, Absent - 1

V. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION/COMMISSION RESPONSE - None.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

A. Embracing Our Differences - Submission review and selection

Commissioner Settles announced a possible conflict of interest with this agenda item. She volunteers on the Embracing our Differences board.

Commissioner McAtee motioned to acknowledge the potential conflict of interest, but to allow Commissioner Settles to participate and vote on the Embracing our Differences agenda item, seconded by Commissioner Seagraves. Approved: Yes - 3, No - 0, Abstained - 1 (Settles), Absent - 1

The committee reviewed all the art submissions.

Motion to recommend approval of the Embracing Our Differences project, with the conditions that all Ypsilanti Children's artwork remain in Ypsilanti, three to be displayed at Riverside Park, and four displayed at Parkridge Park. Additionally, Riverside Park will display two national, two international, and two adult local submissions, and Parkridge Park to display one national or international and one adult local submission. Commissioner Seagraves seconded the motion. Approved: Yes - 4, No - 0, Absent - 1

VII. OLD BUSINESS

A. Public Art Process + Guidelines

Commissioner McAtee discussed values he would like to see reflected in the public art processes. He is very impressed with the draft created by Commissioner Seagraves. The draft has only been shared within the subcommittee, and not the Commission. Commissioner Seagraves asked the Commission members to review and provide feedback before it comes back for adoption.

B. Sub-Committee Check-in

Sub-Committees have not met during the COVID-19 surge.

Conversation highlighting the youth poet laureate project ensued. The commission felt that it was important to pursue this project.

VIII. UPDATES

A. ArtSpace Feasibility Study for Ann Arbor, Ypsilanti, and Washtenaw County Update

Elize Jekabson shared information about the ArtSpace Feasibility Study, their experience taking part of study, and the site visit with City Staff. Preliminary feasibility study will be available in May with recommendations.

B. Arts Events and Happenings around the City

RAC posted their kids camps.

John Lawrence's Jazz Fest moved to Ypsilanti Township.

IX. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION/COMMISSION RESPONSE - none.

X. PROPOSED BUSINESS

Commissioner Thompson proposed a snack committee.

XI. NEXT MEETING DATE

Thursday April 14th, 2022

XII. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner McAtee moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:21pm, seconded by Commissioner Settles. Approved: Yes - 4, No - 0, Absent - 1