

**June 20, 2022
Commission for the Arts
Royal Oak City Hall, Room 122
203 S. Troy Steet
7:30 PM – Regular Meeting
Minutes**

1. Call to Order

Meeting Called to Order at 7:32pm

Members present: CFA Chair Jason Gittinger, Jodie Ellison, Denise Reske, Commissioner Pat Paruch, Melissa Behring, Laura Bonnell

Members Absent: Alesha Beistline

Others Present: Susan Barkman, Assistant to The City Manager; Jeremy Peckens, City Manager Fellow; Paul Young, City Manager Fellow; Richard Willams

2. Public Comment

No public comment.

3. Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve Agenda June 20, 2022.

Motion by Jodie Ellison.

Seconded by Denise Reske.

Approved unanimously.

4. Approval of Minutes – May 16, 2022

Motion to approve May 16, 2022 meeting minutes

Motion by Denise Reske.

Seconded by Jodie Ellison.

Approved unanimously.

5. Introductions:

A. Jeremy Peckens as new Graduate fellow

- Jeremy takes over for Peter as Graduate City Manager Fellow. Jeremy introduces himself.

6. New Business:

A. Mural request – Distinct Life

- Richard Willams: Has been a business owner in Royal Oak and connected to the area since 2007. He is founder of Burn Rubber and District Life. The mural he has applied for is his own horizon pattern represents growth and life that the sun provides. This mural will be part of a larger installation that will feature murals across Detroit and the nation. The mural will bridge a gap between physical and digital

by providing information about the installation's concept through QR code.

Motion to approve mural request.

Motion by Jodie Ellison.

Seconded by Denise Reske.

Approved unanimously.

B. Midpoint Annual Plan Check in

The commission went over the five goals set in the 2021 Annual Report and discussed the progress so far.

These goals are:

- To become a more sustainable committee.
- Build collaborative, community-based art program.
- Identify our local artists.
- Develop and art requirement for future public buildings.
- Improve communication and outreach to Royal Oak residents.

The commission is looking to create a community art-based program or event. Members of the commission expressed interest in inviting the DDA manager to future meetings to collaborate on a community art program.

- In years past the CFA worked with the local school teachers to allow students to do public art on pianos and parking meters. This could be a great opportunity to bring the community together again.

The commission would like to make a database of Royal Oak artists.

- We could set up a google form for group contacts and the commission can start to build a network.

C. Arts in New City Buildings Requirements

- The commission reviews and discusses an art policy report. The group focused on the percent-for-art ordinance.

D. 2023 DIA Inside Out Application

- The committee would like to go through with the application specifically focusing on parks not in downtown Royal Oak.

7. Subcommittee/Program Reports

A. Update on Art Explored

- The commission reviews and discusses an art policy report. The group focused on the percent-for-art ordinance.

July Commission for the arts meeting will discuss and approve new Art Explored artwork as well as provide recommendations to the city commission.

8. General Announcements

A. Peter's last day will be later this month

- Peter is given a card says thank you and goodbye.

9. Social Media updates. Announcements around art explored program and summer concert series have been posted.

10. Adjournment at 8:59pm

Motion to adjourn by Jodie Reske.

Seconded by Laura Bonnell.

Approved Unanimously.

July meeting will be held on the 18th at 7:30pm

