



**TROPHY CLUB COUNCIL FOR ARTS AND
CULTURE COMMUNICATION**

MEETING DATE: January 29, 2026

FROM: Tamara Smith, MSL, Assistant Town Manager

AGENDA ITEM: Consider approval of the December 11, 2025 Trophy Club Council for Arts and Culture Meeting and Work Session Minutes.

BACKGROUND/SUMMARY: The Trophy Club Council for Arts and Culture held a regular meeting on May 8, 2025.

BOARD REVIEW/CITIZEN FEEDBACK: N/A

FISCAL IMPACT: N/A

LEGAL REVIEW: N/A

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Meeting Minutes

ACTIONS/OPTIONS:

Staff recommends that the Trophy Club Council for Arts and Culture move to approve the December 11, 2025, Trophy Club Council for Arts and Culture Meeting Minutes.

**Minutes From Regular Session
Trophy Club Council for Arts and Culture
For the Town of Trophy Club
Location: 1 Trophy Wood Drive, Trophy Club, Texas
Date: Thursday, December 11, 2025, 6:00 p.m.
Council Chambers**

The Trophy Club Council for Arts and Culture of the Town of Trophy Club, Texas, met in a Regular Session on December 11, 2025. The meeting was held within the boundaries of the Town and was open to the public.

ARTS COUNCIL MEMBERS' PRESENT:

Melissa Eason	Chairperson
Hernan Bahamon	Member
Amye Stacy	Secretary
Peter Steinmetz	Member
Jean Frazier	Vice Chairperson
Brandi Morris	Member
Kimbra Fox	Member

ARTS COUNCIL MEMBERS' ABSENT:

STAFF AND GUEST(S) PRESENT:

Tamara Smith	Assistant to the Town Manager
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CALL TO ORDER AND ANNOUNCE A QUORUM

Chairperson Eason called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and noted a quorum. Member Bahamon arrived at 6:02 p.m.

REGULAR SESSION

1. Consider approval of the November 19, 2025, Trophy Club Council for Arts and Culture Meeting and Work Session Minutes.
Agenda Item: Consider approval of the November 19, 2025, Trophy Club Council for Arts and Culture Meeting and Work Session Minutes.
Motion: Member Steinmetz motioned for approval.
Seconded by: Vice Chairperson Frazier seconded.
Vote: All in favor – Motion passed unanimously. 7-0-0
2. **Agenda Item:** Discuss and review the Trophy Club Explore Arts and Culture webpage. Discussion focused on The Trophy Club Explore Arts and Culture website which launched on December 1 and is accessible through the "Explore" section of the Town website, two clicks deep. It highlights the Trophy Club Council for Arts and Culture and outlines initiatives for fiscal years 2025–2026, with plans underway to further publicize the site and explain how to access it.
3. **Agenda Item:** Discuss the Arts Council's first action item, "Creativity Lives Here".

Discussion focused on clarifying whether submissions should feature local Trophy Club imagery or arts and culture experiences from other communities. A consensus emerged to separate local, resident-submitted content that reflects the identity of Trophy Club from a broader repository of inspirational ideas drawn from other places. To support this, Art@TrophyClub.org was created for art-related submissions. A SharePoint site will be created to drop submitted photos into for review by the Arts Council.

4. **Agenda Item:** Discuss prioritized initiative number one: public art and historical markers. Discussion focused on using a survey to identify preferred locations and types of art installations in Trophy Club, distinguishing where residents live from where they want to see art, particularly in parks. The top priority is public art, beginning with a potential permanent Noble Winds installation made from recycled wind turbine materials, alongside interest in temporary, rotating art displays. Survey questions will be simplified to gauge overall interest first, with results guiding promotion plans and decisions on locations and the possibility of multiple installations.

Action Items

- Tamara to update surveys and webpage.
- Tamara to create SharePoint site.

Next Meeting will be held on January 29, 2026, at 6:00 PM.

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Adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

Attest:

Tamara Smith, Assistant to the Town Manager

Melissa Eason, Chairperson



TROPHY CLUB COUNCIL FOR ARTS AND CULTURE COMMUNICATION

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FROM: Tamara Smith, MSL, Assistant Town Manager

AGENDA ITEM: Discuss the Arts Council's first action item, "Creativity Lives Here".

BACKGROUND/SUMMARY:

During the November 19th work session, the Arts Facilitator presented an action item to the Arts Council. Below is an example of the flyer prepared for residents:

CREATIVITY LIVES HERE

Become part of our growing visual story by uploading a photo that captures your personal connection to the town's arts, culture, heritage, or favorite place.

How to Participate:

Choose a meaningful photo — for example, participating in an arts activity in Trophy Club or exploring culture in another city.

Upload your photo (JPEG/PNG format, minimum 1200 px on the long side).

Include the following in the caption:

- Your name (optional)
- Your neighborhood in Trophy Club
- A brief description of why you chose the photo and how it reflects your experience with arts, culture, or community connection.

Photo Use Permission:

By submitting your photo, you grant permission for its use in future public art promotions, website galleries, and community exhibitions.

This agenda item will discuss the details of this item.

BOARD REVIEW/CITIZEN FEEDBACK: N/A

FISCAL IMPACT: N/A

LEGAL REVIEW: N/A

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Presentation

ACTIONS/OPTIONS:

This agenda item is being presented for discussion purposes only. No action will be taken by the Trophy Club Council for Arts and Culture.



Trophy Club Council for Arts and Culture

Regular Meeting

January 29, at 6:00 PM



CALL TO ORDER AND ANNOUNCE A QUORUM

PUBLIC COMMENT(S)

This is an opportunity for citizens to address the Board/Commission on any matter pursuant to Texas Government Code Sec. 551.007. The Board/Commission is not permitted to discuss or take action on any presentations made concerning matters that are not listed on the agenda. Presentations are limited to matters over which the Board/Commission has authority. Speakers have up to three (3) minutes, or the time limit determined by the Presiding Officer. Each speaker must have submitted their request to speak by completing the Speaker's Form or may email tdixon@trophyclub.org.

Regular Items

1. Consider approval of the December 11, 2025, Trophy Club Council for Arts and Culture Meeting and Work Session Minutes.

Regular Items

2. Discuss the Arts Council's first action item, "Creativity Lives Here".

Creativity Lives Here

Creativity Lives Here celebrates the moments, places, and experiences that make Trophy Club special. Share a photo taken in Trophy Club that captures something meaningful to you, whether it's a favorite spot, a family tradition, a moment of connection, or a special event, and include a brief caption explaining why it matters to you. Your creativity helps shape the story of our community. Send your submissions and a brief caption to art@trophyclub.org.

By submitting a photo, you grant the Town of Trophy Club Council for Arts and Culture permission to use your image on our website and other promotional materials without compensation, retaining all rights to use the photo.

Enjoying family time at one of the amazing events in Trophy Club!



Remembering and honoring my father's service this Veterans Day.



Pickleball is here! I'm ready to play!



Caption:
Even the doggos of TC
are Patriotic and love
our celebrations for the
USA.

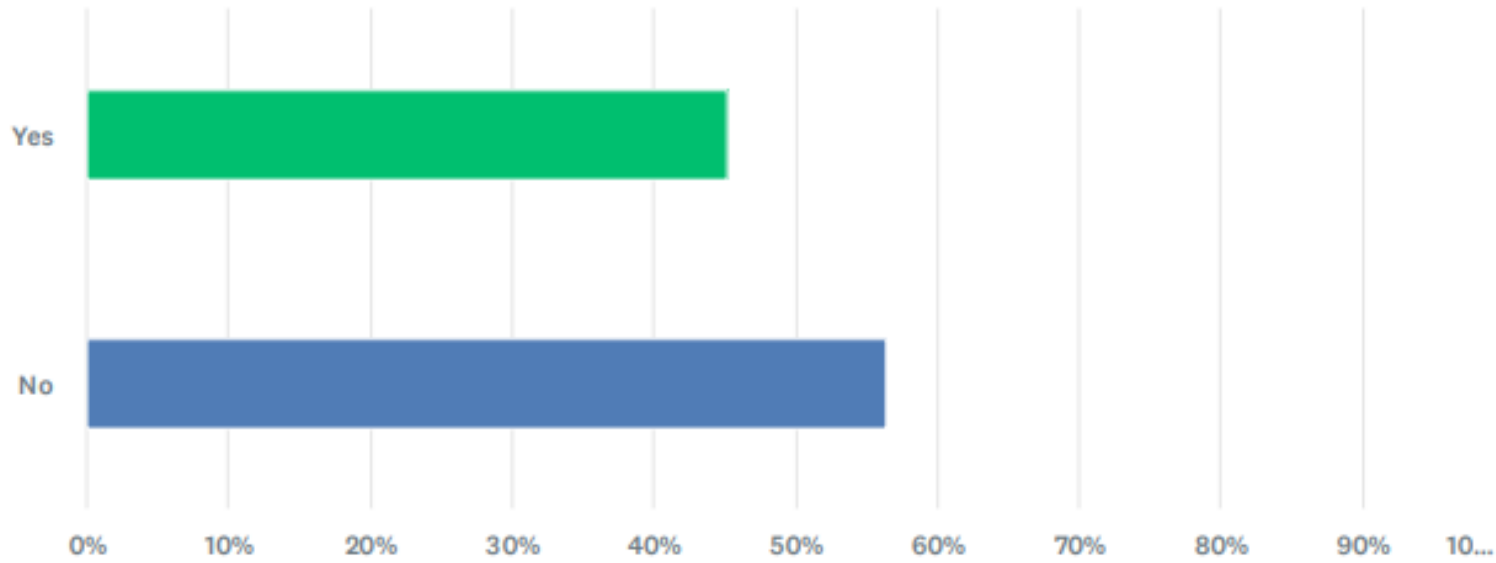


Regular Items

3. Discuss prioritized initiative number one: public art and historical markers.

Q1 Are you interested in having this type of art in our Town?

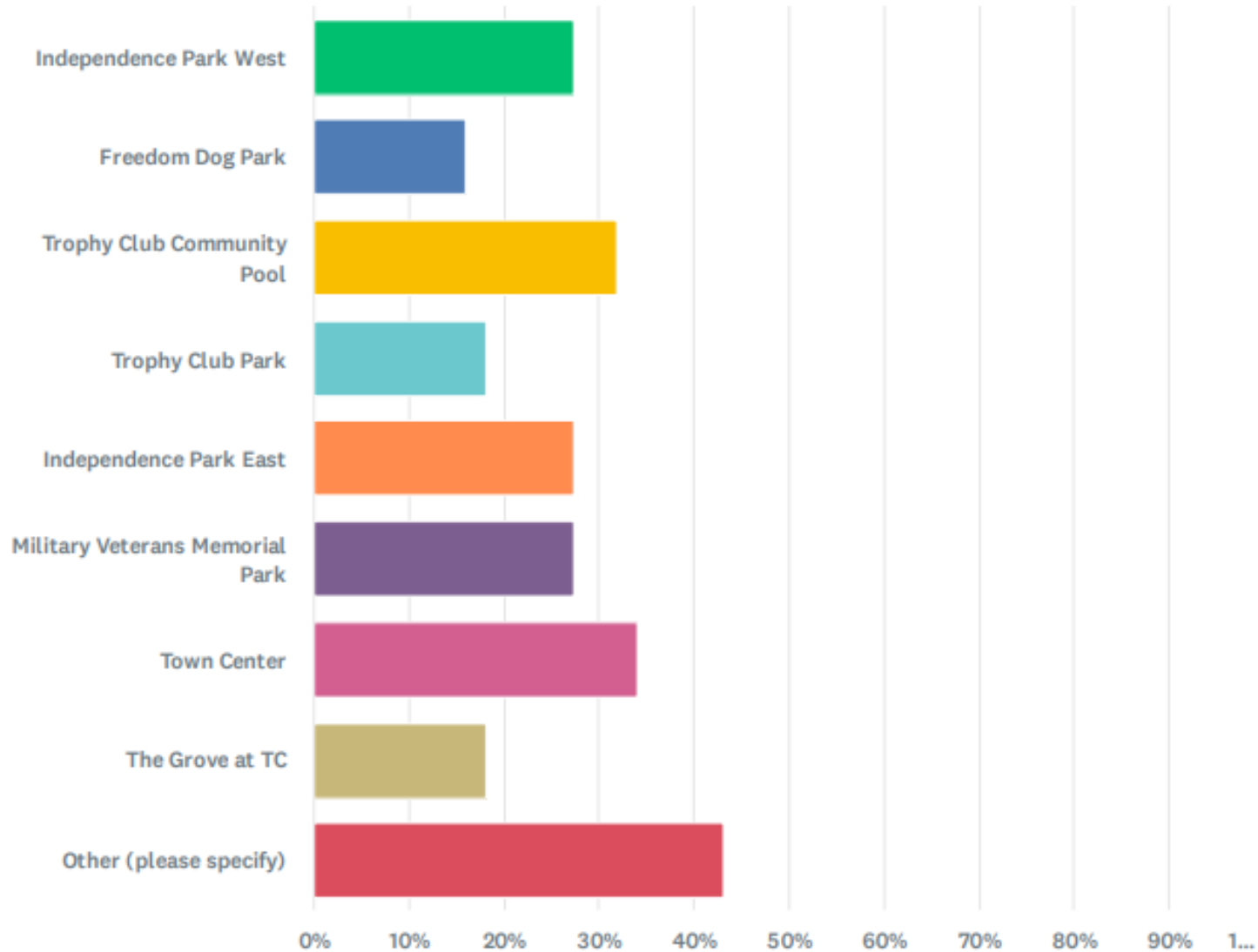
Answered: 62 Skipped: 1



Answer Choices ↓	Percentage ↓	Responses ↓	
● Yes	45.16%	28	...
● No	56.45%	35	...
Total		62	

Q2 Which locations in town would you like to see this type of art installation?

Answered: 44 Skipped: 19

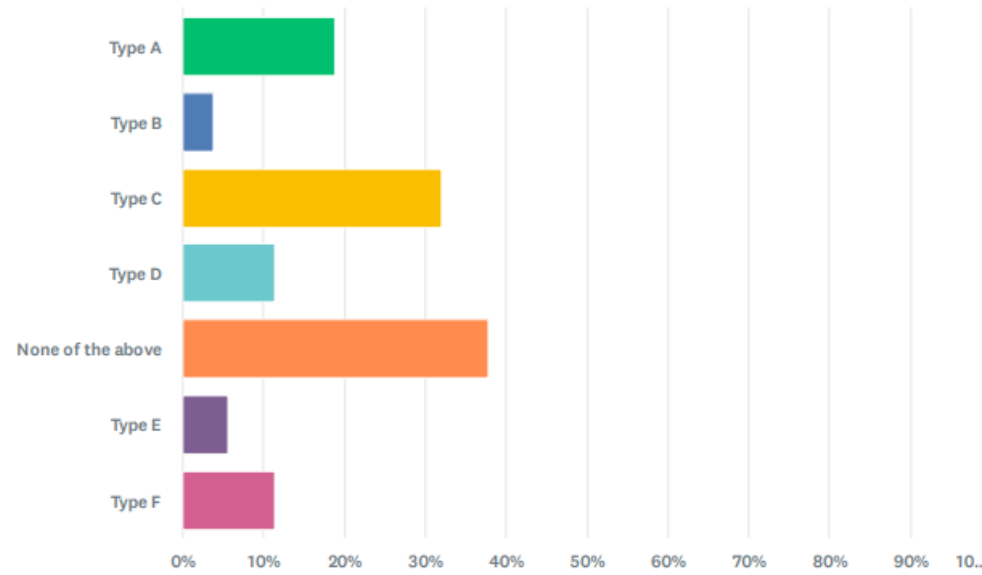


Answer Choices ↓	Percentage ↓	Responses ↓	
● Independence Park West	27.27%	12	...
● Freedom Dog Park	15.91%	7	...
● Trophy Club Community Pool	31.82%	14	...

● Trophy Club Park	18.18%	8	...
● Independence Park East	27.27%	12	...
● Military Veterans Memorial Park	27.27%	12	...
● Town Center	34.09%	15	...
● The Grove at TC	18.18%	8	...
● Other (please specify) Show responses	43.18%	19	...
Total		44	

Q3 Which concept do you like?

Answered: 53 Skipped: 10



Answer Choices ↓	Percentage ↓	Responses ↓	
● Type A	18.87%	10	...
● Type B	3.77%	2	...
● Type C	32.08%	17	...
● Type D	11.32%	6	...
● None of the above	37.74%	20	...
● Type E	5.66%	3	...
● Type F	11.32%	6	...
Total		53	

1	How much will this cost me the tax payer?? Such a waste of money when we have bigger fish to fry. Building a loop road, more officers for school traffic & football games with the new BNHS stadium, adding Stop Signs to Bobcat & TC Drive making it a 3-way stop.	1/19/2026 10:32 PM
2	Why aren't you sharing the costs?	1/19/2026 10:31 PM
3	We would rather spend money to have the people the Town employs actively identifying and correcting ordinance violations and getting items like trash left by contractors by our front entry church cleaned up without residents having to complain.	1/19/2026 11:52 AM
4	These are pretty. I think the money would be better spent by teaming up with TXDot to spruce up the 114 banal face of the Town to the passerbys	1/18/2026 12:47 PM
5	Do not waste fees/tax money on this	1/18/2026 9:27 AM
6	Please stop letting our mayor who likes to paint, spend our money on junk. Omg - these are all awful. This is embarrassing.	1/18/2026 8:50 AM
7	This is a waste of time and resources.	1/17/2026 8:11 PM
8	These are SO ugly and a total waste of money. And not to mention they'll be so hot. Spend the money somewhere useful	1/17/2026 7:16 PM
9	This is not very aesthetically pleasing looking. Cool concept for it to be recycled materials, but not a fan of the way it looks.	1/17/2026 7:03 PM
10	Why can we not put money towards new playground equipment at dog park or the pool? We don't need this.	1/17/2026 7:02 PM
11	No this looks so tacky.	1/17/2026 7:00 PM
12	Don't do this	1/17/2026 6:57 PM
13	a big no not worth the money won't be used	1/17/2026 4:07 PM
14	The fact that Harmony Park (the original park in TC) is not listed is absolutely offensive. Someone should be fired.	1/17/2026 12:13 PM
15	I saw the post about painting the sterile wall on 114. I would rather have native landscaping. Crepe myrtles, Nandinas, Chinese pistachio, gingko trees with a wavy sidewalk boundary. Oak trees in the areas between 114 and the frontage road would deaden the sound.	1/17/2026 9:30 AM
16	Honestly these are not aesthetically pleasing. They look out of place for a suburban town and are better suited for an urban setting. Also, not everything needs to be sustainable.	1/16/2026 8:32 PM
17	These look awful. They would cheapen the look of our town.	1/16/2026 5:50 PM
18	Good coverage and steady seating for more then 2	1/16/2026 3:35 PM
19	No! We don't need this. Seems like a waste of money. I'd rather see nice wooden benches, tables, etc put in via donation with commemoration opportunities.	1/16/2026 1:01 PM
20	Will the materials used in the art piece prevent or deter spray paint graffiti tagging?	1/16/2026 12:41 PM
21	Please don't do this. It's so ugly.	1/16/2026 5:53 AM
22	Like the idea of shaded seating however not sure the inside of a metal tube will be good in the summers here	1/16/2026 5:07 AM
23	Don't want to do business with any company that does not identify themselves on their website. No address. No phone number. No value to a 25 year warranty if company does not	1/16/2026 5:03 AM

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24	Wrong priorities. I was just told my new street pavement will be the antithesis of art. Forest Hill will have the twice the lifespan of this art. Why wasn't I asked about this?	1/16/2026 4:58 AM
25	Making the Town look more attractive is good. Let's start with getting the trash picked up at the main entrance.	1/16/2026 4:53 AM
26	Too hot for metal seating in Texas	1/16/2026 4:45 AM
27	Will depend a lot on cost and quality of decor	1/15/2026 8:56 PM
28	Please add specificity regarding cost and vendor/artist - including potential conflicts of interest.	1/15/2026 4:45 PM
29	Please don't do this. These are tacky and there are much more important things to spend our money on.	1/15/2026 3:12 PM
30	Trophy Club has a different theme and vibe. These kinds of pieces will clash with current image.	1/15/2026 1:56 PM
31	Need to consider... how hot does this get in the sun, what does this look like after baking in the sun for 5+ years, who is going to keep clean and maintained. Cost is not limited to purchase and installation. There is ongoing maintenance to consider. How long before this looks like "junk"?	1/15/2026 1:51 PM
32	These are ugly, why would you put these in the town.	1/15/2026 1:42 PM
33	I was interested in the idea and then I saw the examples. They look ridiculous and uncomfortable. I think they would detract from the appeal of our public spaces. Also, aren't the coatings used on the blades possibly toxic? I really don't see the upside of this project. Are they provided free of charge so they don't have to pay to dispose of hazardous materials? Also, this survey will not provide valid results. It will only let you respond if you answer question 1 with a yes response. So 100% of the people responding will say they are interested in having this type of art in town.	1/15/2026 1:25 PM

Themes

The dominant theme running through these comments is **concern about priorities, practicality, and fiscal responsibility in public spending**. Residents are expressing strong opposition to the proposed art/installation project, emphasizing that it:

- 1. Misaligns with community needs** – They prioritize basic infrastructure (roads, trash pickup, playgrounds, safety) over aesthetic projects.
- 2. Raises cost concerns** – Many repeatedly ask about price, ongoing maintenance, and taxpayer burden.
- 3. Questions functionality and suitability** – Complaints about the heat of metal, durability, and aesthetics suggest residents want practical, long-lasting, and contextually appropriate solutions.
- 4. Reflects aesthetic disagreement** – Multiple comments note the art is ugly, tacky, or inconsistent with the town's suburban character.
- 5. Concerns over process and transparency** – Some point out lack of cost details, vendor info, and opportunities for meaningful input.

Out of 63 people 35 didn't like the Art Installation concept. That is .0025% of the population.

ADJOURN





TROPHY CLUB COUNCIL FOR ARTS AND CULTURE COMMUNICATION

MEETING DATE: January 29, 2026

FROM: Tamara Smith, MSL, Assistant Town Manager

AGENDA ITEM: Discuss prioritized initiative number one: public art and historical markers.

BACKGROUND/SUMMARY:

Initiative One: Public Art & Historical Markers

Focus: Preservation and Maintenance

Purpose: Develop clear guidelines for maintaining existing public art installations and identifying historically significant sites throughout Trophy Club.

Impact: Promote long-term stewardship of the town's artistic and historical assets, ensuring public art and heritage markers remain preserved, celebrated, and accessible for future generations.

This agenda item will include a discussion with the Arts Council regarding a potential public art installation. The project may serve either to commemorate a historically significant site or to create an eye-catching piece of artwork within one of Trophy Club's parks. The goal is to develop an installation that both generates enthusiasm for the Arts Council's initiatives and celebrates the heritage and identity of Trophy Club.

During the November 19th regular meeting, the Arts Council directed the Arts Facilitator to develop a formal process for selecting both permanent and temporary public art installations. During the December 11th regular meeting, the Arts Council directed the Arts Facilitator to proceed with only the permanent installation. A survey was also posted on the Arts Council website to gather community input. A timeline for the project's initial launch was presented as well. These items will be discussed with the Arts Council this evening.

BOARD REVIEW/CITIZEN FEEDBACK: N/A

FISCAL IMPACT: Federal and state-level funding sources typically require a matching grant.

LEGAL REVIEW: N/A

ATTACHMENTS:

None

ACTIONS/OPTIONS:

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