

Public Arts Committee Meeting

Theodore D. Washington Municipal Building, Orlando Conference Room, 20 Bridge Street, Bluffton,
SC

April 29, 2025

I. CALL TO ORDER

Bowler called the meeting to order at 4:05pm.

II. ROLL CALL

PRESENT

Brynne Bowler
Rockelle Henderson
Pam Davis
Maria Hooper

ABSENT

Chairperson Pearce Scott
Vice Chair Jamie Gall
Theodoshia Major

III. SPECIAL ELECTION

Due to the chair and vice-chair being absent, there was a special election for chairperson.

Davis made a motion to nominate Maria Hooper as Chairperson for the April 29, 2025 meeting.

Seconded by Henderson.

Voting Yea: Bowler, Henderson, Davis, Hooper

All were in favor and the motion passed.

IV. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

1. March 25, 2025 Minutes

Bowler made a motion to adopt the minutes as written.

Seconded by Davis.

Voting Yea: Bowler, Henderson, Davis, Hooper

All were in favor and the motion passed.

V. PUBLIC COMMENT

VI. OLD BUSINESS

1. Final Review and Approval of Oyster Factory Park Art Proposal Modifications - Chris Forster, Assistant Town Manager

Staff reviewed the updated design from the artist. There was discussion about staining the concrete.

Hooper made a motion to accept the updated design with the change of making the concrete bateau be a muddled wood like color.

Seconded by Davis.

Voting Yea: Henderson, Davis, Hooper

Voting Abstaining: Bowler

The motion passed with three yeas and one abstained.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

1. Review of Proposed Call for Art at New Riverside Park - Felicia Roth, Director of Compliance and Contracts

Staff reviewed the draft request for proposal. There was discussion about the artists to invite and the proposed locations for an art installation at New Riverside Park. The Committee and staff collaborated on locations and the submittal process for artists.

There was no action taken.

VIII. DISCUSSION

Bowler asked about Bluffton becoming an Arts and Cultural District. Staff informed the committee about the logistics for applying.

There was also discussion about art being on a rotation cycle in the kitchen area of the Welcome Center. The Committee decided to discuss this topic at a future meeting for further qualifications.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

Bowler made a motion to adjourn.

Seconded by Davis.

Voting Yea: Bowler, Henderson, Davis, Hooper

All were in favor and the motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 4:55pm.