



City of Helena

Public Arts Committee

MINUTES
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
APRIL 16, 2025, 5:30 P.M. RM 309

1. (00:04:23) Call to Order and Roll Call

The following responded present, either via zoom or in person:

x Amanda Reese (Chair)
x Jeanie Warden (Secretary)
x Rebecca Shaw-Quifones
Chelsea Weidman

x Maxwell Hay (Vice-Chair)
Renee Kelley
x Abigail Dolan
x Mary Webb

2. (00:05:10) Minutes

(00:05:19) **Maxwell Hay made a motion to approve Minutes. Mary Webb**
seconded the motion.

3. (00:05:38) Staff Report

Bridget Johnston presented the RFP for the Memorial Park Bandshell. Staff asked the City Commission two questions. The first question asked was do you want to see patriotic art or something more general interpretive and the second question was do you have a preference to local artists and what does a local artist mean to them? Commission Sean Logan responded he would be fine with seeing the art be patriotic or general but he would not like to see anything blue. Staff decided to move forward with the RFP. The committee read through the RFP which included the project overview, compensation, scope of work, deliverables and timeline, insurance requirements, evaluation criteria, solicitation schedule, contact, question and inquires, submittal instructions, reservation of rights by the city, public records disclosure, and lobbying. The committee discussed the color scheme of the outer rings of the bandshell. The rings could stay red, white and blue but could also be painted different colors. Bridget clarified that the wings of the bandshell will remain the same. Bridget Johnston will add that the art can not be political in nature to the RFP.

Amanda Reese asked the status of the Traffic Boxes RFP. Staff is still working on that RFP.

4. (00:26:11) Chalk Up Helena Discussion

Bridget Johnston has a thumb drive of past Chalk Up Helena events. The committee discussed bringing Chalk Up Helena back. Abigail Dolan shared with the committee that the BID board discussed bringing Chalk Up Helena back and having another organization take on the event. She shared that there may be a grant opportunity with the BID to fund the event.

5. (00:34:04) Public Art, Event & Promotion Opportunities

Abigail Dolan spoke about murals that the BID are interested in participating in. The committee discussed the different mural locations that HPAC is working on. Bridget Johnston spoke about Anchor Park's tunnel. The Park Department is planning on fencing the sides of the tunnel and they would like it to be painted. The tunnel could be painted in graffiti art once the tunnel has a fence installed. The painting of the tunnel could be a community event involving kids.

Abigail Dolan shared the Constitution Park project that the BID is working on.

6. (00:59:15) Items for Next Agenda

Chalk Up Helena and Audio Tour Update will be put on the next agenda.

7. (01:07:01) Public Comment

There was not any public comment.

8. (00:07:15) Meeting adjourned.

Maxwell Hay made a motion to approve adjourn meeting. Rebecca Shaw-Quinones the motion.