

PUBLIC ART COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

March 4<sup>th</sup>, 2026, 4:30 P.M.  
City Hall Council Chambers  
115 N 3<sup>rd</sup> Street

The Public Art Commission met Wednesday March 4<sup>th</sup>, 2026 at 4:30 P.M.

**Present:** Cheryl Bunton, Kate Bunton, Mike Glenn, Julie Kennelly, Randee Mennenga, and Chloe Metz.

**Also Present:** City Manager Darin DeHaan and City Clerk Cheryl Hilton.

Julie Kennelly called the meeting to order at 4:30pm.

No public comment.

Chloe Metz moved to approve the July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025 minutes, Seconded by Randee Mennenga.

Motion carried. No Nays.

**City Welcome Signs Designs:** Cheryl Bunton shared a sketch of the design for the city welcome signs. The committee discussed using a more modern silhouette of the Blackhawk Statue, additional tree coverage, the size of the water/river, and construction material. City Manager Darin DeHaan said the street department will be taking care of the area around the city's welcome signs, native perennial plants will be encouraged. He asked for a digital version of the sketch. He will reach out to vendors for quotes. The City Council and the Art Commission will review the final renderings.

Julie Kennelly moved to approve the sign design with updated Blackhawk statue and changes to the river, Seconded by Chloe Metz.

Motion carried. No Nays.

**Downtown Banner Art Project:** Cheryl Bunton went to the historical society to get photos and spoke to the library about using photos of artwork. The committee agreed to use a mixture of historical photos and artwork on the banners. The library requested to have the Oregon Library represented on the banner and the choice of which artwork to highlight. City Manager Darin DeHaan said IDOT may require the artwork to be the same on every banner and language would need to be approved. He will reach out to IDOT to get clarification of regulations and restrictions on the banners.

Meeting adjourned at 4:57 p.m.

Motion carried. No Nays.

Submitted by Cheryl Hilton, City Clerk