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June 12, 2025

**MEMORANDUM**

TO: Meridian Arts Commission

FROM: Cassandra Schiffler, Arts & Culture Coordinator

RE: *Staff Updates on Public Art*

**Public Art Updates:**

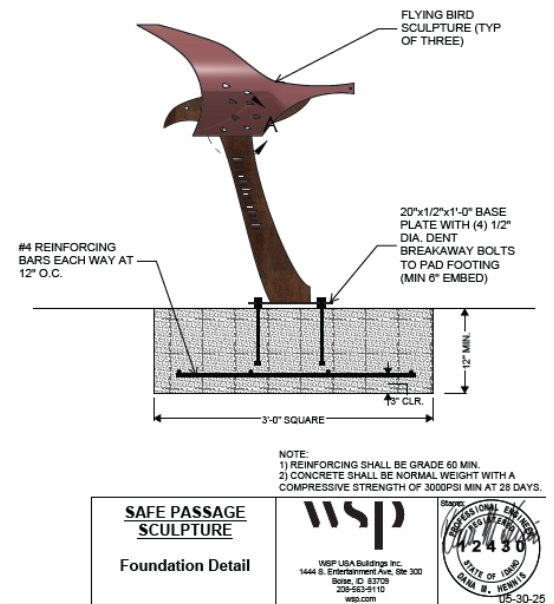
- **Public Art Master Plan:** We held a kickoff meeting with [VIA Partnership](#) in the May MAC meeting. Next steps will be launching the public art survey (thank you for your input on the survey draft!) and promoting the survey to get as many responses as possible. Our consultant, Meridith, is scheduled to be here in person June 26-28 to tour our facilities and collection, meet in person with various city staff and council members. We will have a special workshop session on **June 26 at 10:00am** to discuss local artist engagement with public art, criteria for prioritizing art opportunities, and next steps (future workshop planning). She will also help us get set up with our public input booth at the Meridian Fine Arts Festival on **June 28 and 29** with materials.

**[Review the event volunteer shift schedule for the June 28 & 29 Meridian Fine Arts Festival public input booth – click here.](#)**



- **Lorelle Rau Mural Panels at Homecourt Bay 6:** Successfully installed! Artist spent about 4 days over the course of 2 weeks in May to install the paintings with the help of a professional installer, complete the paintings, paint the panel edges, and clear coat panels with a water based polyurethane. A tag, similar to the ones at City Hall, has been placed next to the artwork to identify it. It has also been added to the public art website.

- **Traffic Boxes:** MAC and City Council approved the 6 WASD artworks to become traffic box wraps on 5-8-25 and 5-27-25 respectively. The traffic box cleaning vendor has begun work to clean the boxes and will give a maintenance report on each one. Based on the maintenance report, I will identify any boxes that need to be replaced with these new WASD wraps. The six new boxes are anticipated to be wrapped this fall.



- **Linder Road Median Public Art:** Project is on track. Stamped engineering drawings have been submitted. Steel materials have been ordered.

- **Chateau Park:** All sculpture projects installed, and added to the public art website. Thank you all for attending the dedication event! The final touch on this project was an informational sign that was installed on the restroom. The sign identifies the artwork and artist, and gives information about native and adapted plants and the pollinators.



- Community Center Public Art:** Artist/Designer/Consultant Stephanie Inman is continuing work on a site plan for public art opportunities, and working with city staff and the architects to create a plan that will prioritize and strategize for public art projects at the future community center. She presented concepts to MAC at the 5-8-25 meeting for input. I sent out surveys to MAC and Recreation Staff to prioritize projects that were presented. Based on the surveys, the entrance piece will likely be either the porcelain enamel or steel cut out application, based on budgets available. Also based on the surveys, projects for near term prioritization are the lobby wall installation, a built-in wall diorama, lounge history photo collage wall (mockup pictured below), art/poem display in the hallway, and reception area 2-D art. Longer term prioritization for projects that may be phased in later years are the ceiling art mobile, welcome entry sculpture, functional artist designed fixtures, tactile wall, and a coloring book page mural for the gym or a hallway. The gym messaging project will be cut from the opportunity plan. A \$100,000 budget is tentatively planned for multiple art projects. This budget is not final and it could come directly from MAPS or be funded in part with some construction costs and some funds from MAPS.



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LOUNGE WALL  
**Historic Photo Collage Mural Sketch**  
 Including interpretive panels to explain art installations



- Other projects/New Projects:** planning for any new public art projects is on hold until the Public Art Master Plan is complete.