



SPECIAL WORKSHOP MEETING OF THE MERIDIAN ARTS COMMISSION

City Hall Meeting Rooms A and B, 33 East Broadway Avenue Meridian, Idaho

Thursday, October 09, 2025 at 5:30 PM

MINUTES

ROLL-CALL ATTENDANCE

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lizzie Taylor | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Patrick O'Leary |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bridget King, Vice Chair | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bobby Gaytan |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Shaun Muscolo | <input type="checkbox"/> Seoyoon Song |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Brecken Bird, Chair | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jay Smith |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Crystal Paulson | |

NEW BUSINESS

- 1. Imagine Art Here: A Public Art Visioning Session for the City of Meridian**

A special workshop was held from 5:30-7:30. (See attached presentation)

IMAGINE ART HERE: MERIDIAN

Journey of Heroes,
Ken McCall



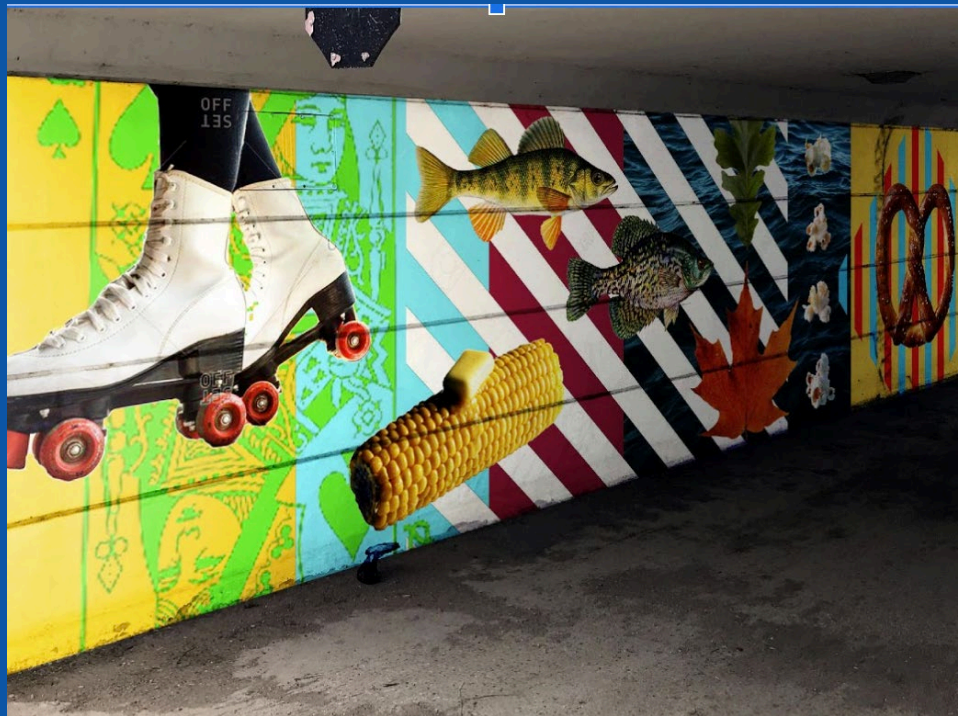
AGENDA

1. Welcome and introductions
2. The MAPs Program and the Public Art Master Plan
3. Public art briefing #1 - Places
4. Breakout #1
5. Public art briefing #2 - Types
6. Breakout #2
7. Recap, next steps

WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS

About Via

Via Partnership works with public and private sector organizations to develop and implement public art strategies and to commission public art.



THE MAPS PROGRAM AND MERIDIAN'S PUBLIC ART MASTER PLAN

Public Art in Meridian

- Public Art in Meridian is primarily funded by the MAPS ordinance, adopted by City Council on April 21, 2015.
- The ordinance established the MAPS Program, which dedicates 50 cents per resident annually to fund public art in Meridian.
- Since adoption, over 100 pieces of public artwork have been installed, including 96 traffic boxes, 7 murals, 2 transit shelter artworks, and 16 sculptural installations.
- Funding may also come from other sources including: the Parks and Recreation Department, the Meridian Development Corporation, Grant Funding, and Partnerships

Joyce Green





A Place to Shine, Sector Seventeen

Vision = *Why*

Program Plan = *Where + What + When*

Implementation Plan = *How + Who*

PUBLIC ART MASTER PLAN OUTCOMES

Questionnaire

June-August 2025

201 responses

Tabling

Four events, including the Meridian Fine Arts Festival, the Meridian Senior Center, Concerts on Broadway, and Touchmark.

Meridian Public Art Questionnaire 2025

PUBLIC ART IN MERIDIAN

1. Below is a small sampling of public artwork already existing in Meridian.
Which examples are you familiar with? Please click on each image you recognize.



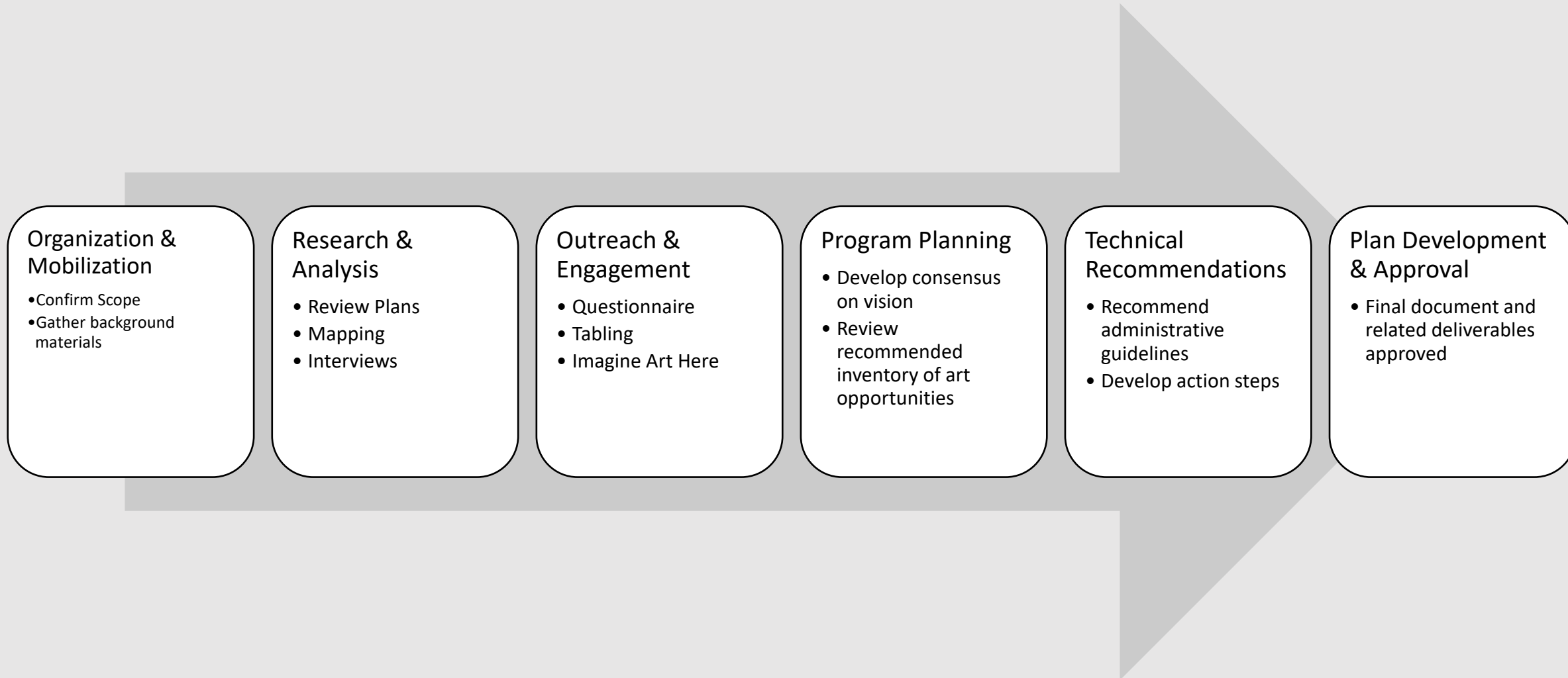
"A Place to Shine," Sector Seventeen, Meridian Pool



"All In - Another Day at the Office," Daniel Borup, Fire Station #6



Planning Process



WHAT IS PUBLIC ART? (Working Definition)

Works of visual art in any media that have been executed by an artist, with the specific intention of being sited or staged in public space, accessible to all.



Rounds, Sports Collaborative

Public art can take many forms
and appear in many places



Bloom 1, Jon Isherwood

Permanent Sculpture



Olathe Temporary Sculpture Series

Temporary Sculpture Exhibitions



I Love You, R+R Studio

Temporary Installations



Dexter Pastoral, Area C Projects

Artwork integrated into infrastructure and streetscapes



Around Town, Larry Kirkland

Functional



Rebirth, ITRAicons



Community Engaged



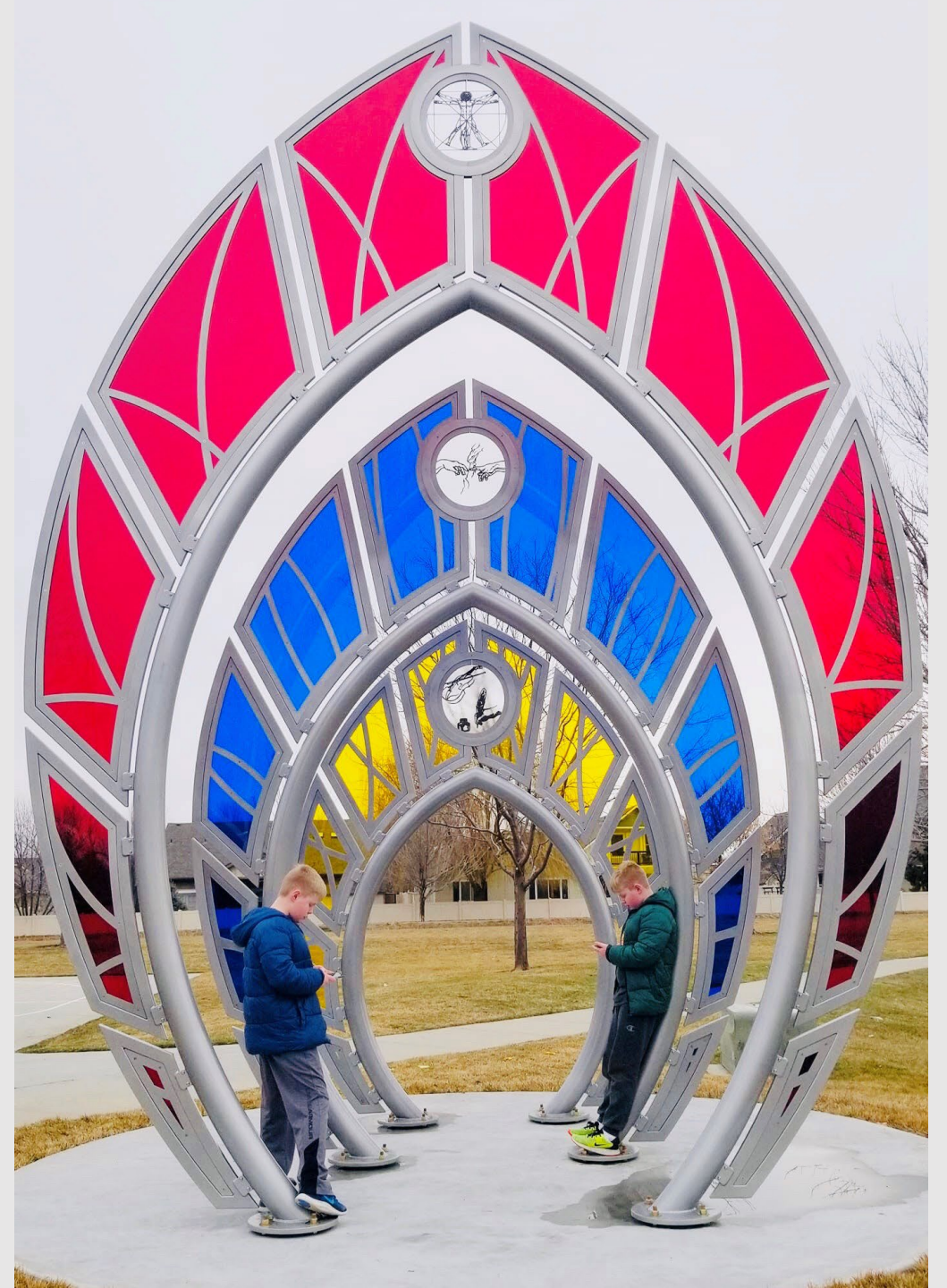
River Dome, Adrienne Outlaw

A Vision for Public Art in Meridian

2020 Public Art Program Review

Public art in Meridian builds and strengthens the city's unique identity in the region, develops Meridian as a creative city, and makes its public spaces more active and attractive.

Illuminations, Ken McCall



Imagine it is 2030. You are inviting a friend to join you to experience public art in Meridian.

What one word would you like to be able to use to describe the experience of seeing the community's public art?

Go to: www.menti.com and use the code **1478 5948**.



BREAKOUT #1: PLACES

- Downtown Meridian
- Parks (2 teams)
- Streets and Corridors
- Community Facilities

BREAKOUT #2: TYPES

- Art + Youth and Family Life
- Art + Community
- Art + History
- Art + Nature
- Art + Design

PUBLIC ART BRIEFING #1: EXPLORATIONS OF PLACE

Downtown Meridian
Parks
Streets and Corridors
Community Facilities

Downtown Meridian

- Streetscapes (Idaho Street, Main Street)
- Entry/Arrival/Gateways
- Facades
- Generations Plaza
- City Hall Plaza



Trumpet Blossom Cafe,
Thomas Agran

Downtown



Blessing Hancock and Joe O'Connell

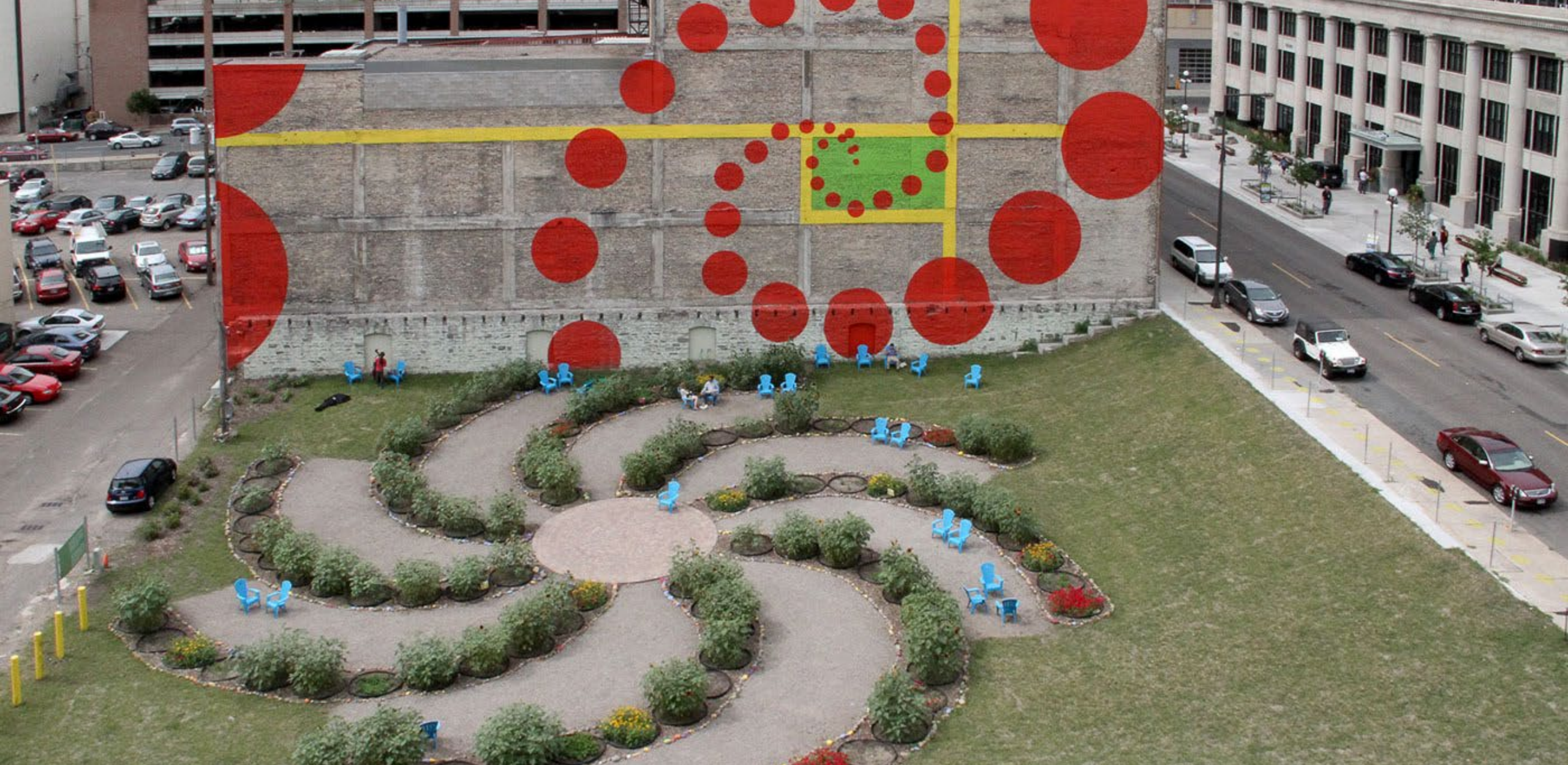


Silverton, Project One Studio

Downtown



Spindle,
Blessing Hancock



Amanda Lovelee, *Urban Flower Field*, St. Paul, MN

Downtown

PARKS

- Settlers Park
- Fuller Park
- 8th Street Park
- Bear Creek Park
- Gordon Harris Park
- Storey Park
- Tully Park
- Fields District Community Park
(Future Park)



Gateway, Amie Jacobsen



Willow, Cao+Perot Studio



Westmoreland Nature Play,
Adam Kuby



Whispering Wind, May + Watkin

STREETS AND CORRIDORS

- Medians
- Roundabouts
- Drainage Areas
- Public Transit
- Eagle Road
- Ustick Road
- Stoddard Road
- Pathways





West Glebe, Vicki Scuri

Streets and Corridors



Euclid Avenue Planters, Mark Reigelman



Dawn's Silver Lining, Barbara Grygutis



One Way, Leticia Bayujo

Community Facilities

- Police Station
- Fire Stations
- Community Center
- City Hall
- Library
- Senior Center
- Lakeview Golf Course



Sectio Aurea, Re:Site Studio



Equitas, Blessing Hancock

Insignia Lattice,
Re:Site Studio





Chavis Reclaimed, David Wilson



Emergence, Michelle Gutlove

Breakout #1 Instructions

Brainstorm possible locations and approaches for art in this place / family of places.

Use the maps, pictures, and pens to collage, draw, describe and notate your thoughts.

Consider these questions as you are working:

- What impact should public art have in these places? Outline goals for what public art can achieve.
- What types of projects could you see being successful here? Outline how public art can be employed to achieve the goals
- Where are the best places for public art? Place marks on the maps.

PUBLIC ART BRIEFING #2: EXPLORATIONS OF TYPE

Art + Youth and Family Life
Art + Community Building
Art + History and Heritage
Art + Nature and Ecology
Art + Beautification and Design

Art + Youth and Family Life

*Jackrabbit Jumps
the Love Ball,
Michael Stutz*





Turtle Park, Robert Cassilly



Inclusive Playground, Jen Lewin



Stacked Friends, Brad Oldham Studio

Art + Community Building



Community Building



Scrollathon, William and Steven Ladd

Community Building





The Big Picture: Resilience, Carl Juste

Art + History and Heritage



Windmill, Tom Fruin

History & Heritage







Fire Keepers Circle, Leah Yellowbird and Aaron Squadroni



Yield for Verhaeghe Park, The Arts Department



Core Sample, Chris Sauter

Art + Nature and Ecology



Thomas Danbo

Nature and Ecology



Pinecone, Floyd Elzinga



Cultivus Loci: Suckahanna, Jann Rosen Queral



Riverine, Stacy Levy

Nature & Ecology

Art + Beautification and Design



Construction Fence, La Camaraderie

Beautification & Design



Interlacing Patterns, Re:Site Studio

Beautification and Design



Okoboji Mural, Lili Payne



Nature Intervention Mural, Pete Goldlust and Melanie Germond

Breakout #2 Instructions

- What aspects of Meridian could be explored through this type of art?
- What impact could this type of art have in Meridian?
- Where are the best/most important places for this type of art to be located?
- Breakouts are asked to write up their ideas using the following tools and post them to the wall: Map, Markers, Image Cards, Flipchart