



Whitewater Arts Alliance

WAA Board / Public Arts Committee Meeting Minutes Wednesday, June 10, 2026 - Cultural Arts Center 5:15-6:30 pm

PRESENT (PAC MEMBERS**):

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| ☒ Kim Adams** | ☒ Dwight Watson |
| ☒ Steve Sahyun** | ☒ Camden Harlan |
| ☒ Katy Wimer** | ☒ Lesley Mollner |
| ☒ Justin Mane** | ☒ Lisa Byrnes |
| ☒ Megan Matthews** | ☒ Caryl Yasko |
| ☒ Jeff McDonald | ☒ Dawn Hunter |
| ☒ Mary Nevicosi | ☒ Ginny Coburn |
| ☒ Kristen Burton | |

CALL TO ORDER (5:17pm)

1. Motion to elect Steve Sahyun as Chair Pro Tempore
 - Moved: Kim Adams
 - Seconded: Megan Matthews
2. Motion to elect Camden Harlan as a Proxy Secretary Pro Tempore (this person records the vote and signs the documents)
 - Moved: Kim Adams
 - Seconded: Megan Matthews
3. Introductions
4. Confirmation of quorum by the Chair Pro Tempore: 5 members present, thus a quorum exists
5. Discussions:
 - Recommendation by City Manager to dissolve the PAC. The Common Council moved, but there was no second. Thus no action was taken.
 - Therefore the WAA was tasked to write up a resolution for the Common Council to propose the PAC would be in the hands of the WAA.
 - Justin and Megan noted that there was not a second at the time due to not having a plan for the future of the PAC.
 - Jeff said that the WAA would be interested in taking on the PAC, with independence as presented in the "WAA Public Art Vetting Board Resolution."
 - Caryl inquired about the process of grants - WAA will be the ones soliciting the grants and thus working through those processes (planning, proposal, approval, financial, etc).
 - Dwight questioned the language in 12.46.080

6. Introduction of Motion: Formal Recommendation to the Common Council to Amend Chapter 12.46 of the Municipal Code to Dissolve the Public Art Committee and recommendation for the Whitewater Arts Alliance to take on the role of the Public Art Committee as an independent organization.
 - Moved: Kim Adams
 - Seconded: Justin Mane
 - Amended: Megan Matthews
 - Passed unanimously
7. Next steps: Steve will provide the “WAA Public Art Vetting Board Resolution” to Llana to draft a memo for the City Manager to bring to the next Common Council meeting.
8. Steve shared with us a website he created: www.sahyun.net/Whitewater/sculpture and asked for it to be linked on the WAA website. Caryl asked how people new to Whitewater would find out about the website/walk. Steve suggested printing flyers. Katy sent the link to Corin with the Chamber, as well.
9. Kim asked if anyone from our board would like to join the PAC: Jeff McDonald
10. Caryl informed those present about the public art project that she, Ginny, and Dawn are working on, which is adding a mural to a private seawall (owned by Fabian Lopez) on the east side of the gristmill pond; cleared with DNR; working with an aquatic environmental company, as well; a few workshops will be held for the community to help with the mural planning; fundraising efforts by Dawn and Ginny through the Caryl Yasko Public Art Fund are ongoing; timeline: next year
11. Motion to Adjourn:
 - Moved: Kim Adams
 - Seconded: Katy Wimer

ADJOURNMENT (6:11pm)

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED BY: Camden Harlan