

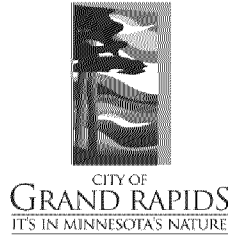


## ARTS & CULTURE COMMISSION MEETING AGENDA

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that a regular meeting of the Arts & Culture Commission will be held in City Council Chambers at City Hall, 420 N Pokegama Avenue, Grand Rapids, Minnesota 55744 on Tuesday, May 4, 2021 at 3:45 PM.

### Agenda

1. Call to Order
2. Public Input
3. Setting the Agenda
4. Correspondence
5. Approve minutes: April 6, 2021 Regular meeting.
6. Financials: Current revenue/expenditure report
7. Artist in Residence
8. Old Business
  - Art Plan & Goal Setting
  - Goodwin Art Exhibit
  - Mayor's Art Award
9. New Business
10. Announcements
11. Set Agenda For Next Meeting:
12. Adjourn



## ARTS AND CULTURE COMMISSION MINUTES

**CALL TO ORDER:** Pursuant to due notice and call thereof the regular meeting of the Grand Rapids Arts and Culture Commission was held in Council Chambers at 420 N. Pokegama Avenue, Grand Rapids, Minnesota on Tuesday, April 6, 2021 at 4:00 PM.

**Call of Roll:** On a call of roll, the following members were present: Kari Hedlund, Myrna Peterson, Jennifer Gorman, Sonja Merrild, Anne-Marie Erickson. Absent: Ed Zabinski, Kayla Aubid, Tom Sippola, Gail Otteson

**Staff Present:** Tom Pagel, Kimberly Gibeau

**Public Input:** None.

### **Setting the Agenda:**

**Motion by Merrild, second by Gorman to approve the agenda as presented. Motion passed by unanimous vote.**

**Correspondence:** None.

### **Approval of Minutes:**

**Motion by Gorman, second by Erickson to approve the minutes for March 2, 2021 as presented. Motion passed by unanimous vote.**

**Financials:** Reviewed current financials, noting approved expenditures not included on this months summary.

**Artist in Residence:** No new updates.

### **Old Business:**

**Art Plan & Goal Setting:** Sub-committee has a meeting scheduled for Thursday, April 8, 2021. Will provide update at the May 4<sup>th</sup> Commission meeting.

**Goodwin Art Exhibit:** No update since last meeting. Mr. Goodwin has indicated that he plans to have a ceremonial blessing by a Shaman of the grounds where the sculpture will be placed.

Mayor's Art Award: This item will be discussed in detail at the May meeting.

**New Business:**

Consider sponsorship of Frederick Douglass Play: A recommendation by Commissioner Peterson is to provide a \$500 sponsorship in support of the performance. Following discussion, the Commission declines to move forward.

**Announcements:** None.

**Items for next agenda:**

- Art Plan and Goal Setting
- Mayor's Art Award
- Goodwin Art Project & Exhibit

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:39 pm.

Respectfully submitted:

Kimberly Gibeau, City Clerk

**CITY OF GRAND RAPIDS  
ARTS & CULTURE COMMISSION**

**SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES  
FOR THE PERIOD ENDING APRIL 30, 2021**

*With Comparative Totals for the Period Ending December 31, 2020*

	Actual 4/30/2021	Actual 12/31/2020
<b>Arts &amp; Culture Budgeted Expenditures</b>	\$ 7,500	\$ 7,500
Supplies	-	87
Seminar/Meetings/School	-	-
Mayor's Art Award	567	489
Vessel Concept Bike Rack	3,500	-
Utility Box Wraps	-	-
Art Mapping Project	-	1,000
Operating Transfer to Capital Proj 418	-	-
Balance Available	3,433	5,924



**MEMORANDUM**

To: Arts and Culture Commission

From: 2021 Work Plan Subcommittee

RE: Recommendations for 2021 Public Art

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The 2021 Work Plan Subcommittee met on April 8, 2021, and developed the following recommendations to move forward art and culture projects in 2021. In making the recommendations, the committee utilized the goals established Art Placement Plan, and the financial resources available for art.

In Year 1, from the Placement Plan, the theme is *Indigenous peoples and lands*. The small scale art is recommended to focus on storm water infrastructure (for example, creating art on manholes, catch basins, and other storm water treatment infrastructure). The large scale recommendation is to create one to two gateway sculptures near the city limits of Grand Rapids.

**Funding Available**

The Arts and Culture Capital Projects Fund is solely created and funded through street reconstruction projects. By resolution, the City Council elected to place 1.5% of construction cost when streets are reconstructed in the Arts and Culture Capital Projects Fund.

Once the Dewey Goodwin large sculpture if completed this year, it is estimated that the Arts and Culture Capital Fund will have a deficit of approximately \$1,995. Due to budget restrictions and limited spending on street projects for the next three years, the Arts and Culture Commission will have limited financial resources for public art. The following table estimates the annual capital funding.

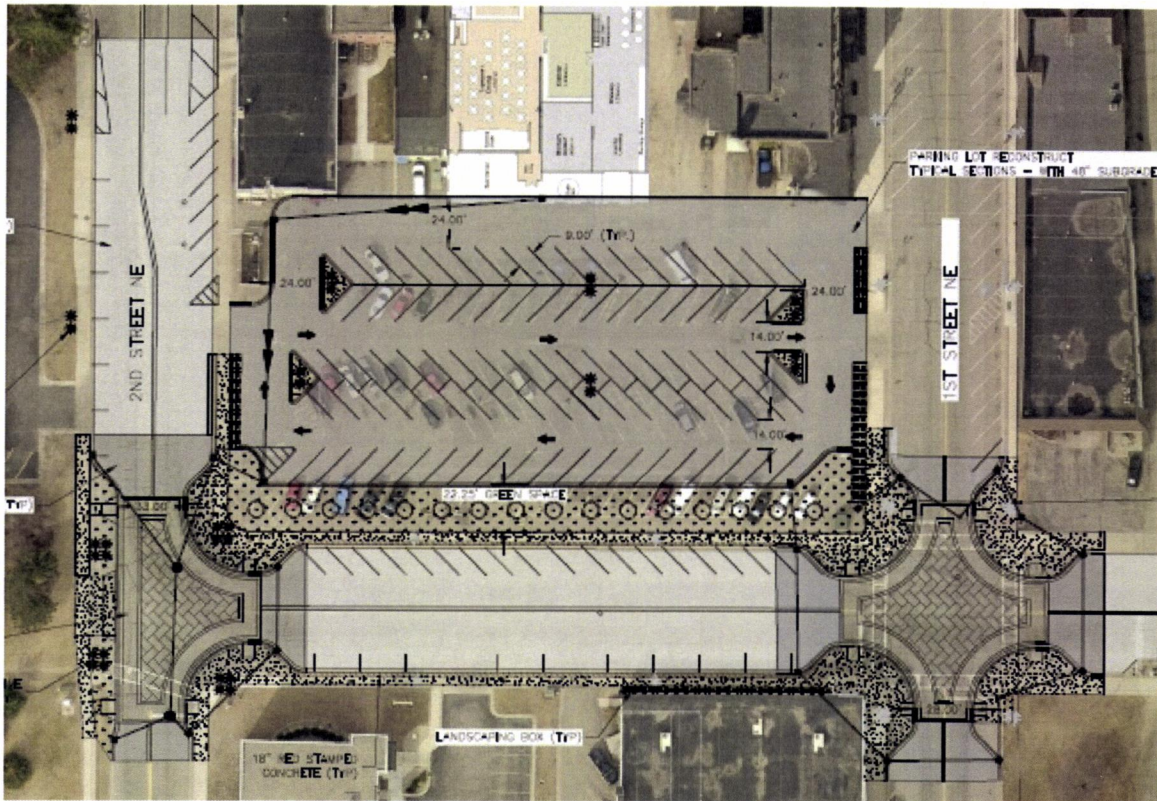
Year	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
End Balance	(1,995)	\$3,705	\$9,705	\$41,705	\$71,105

Recognizing the limited financial resources, it is recommended that the commission seek outside funding like the IRRR Street Scape program or partner with the Public Works Department on Storm Water Education.

### Small Scale Artwork

In 2019, the commission solicited RFP's for decorative crosswalks and storm sewer catch basin art. The commission did not receive any proposals from artists so they transferred the budget to the large sculpture being created by Dewey Goodwin.

With the focus on storm water infrastructure there is a perfect opportunity to partner with the Public Works department on interim improvements to 2<sup>nd</sup> Street NE, 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue NE, and the public parking lot located to the north and west of said streets. Due to timing and City budget constraints, the parking lot improvement (shown below) has been delayed for likely two to four years.



Delaying the permanent improvements creates an opportunity to install temporary art on the pavement by creating artistic crosswalks, delineating future “bump outs” with pavement art, and providing art on catch basins and manhole covers. This type of art is the recommendation identified in Year 1 of the Placement Plan with a budget of \$5,000.

Some examples of pavement and catch basin/manhole painting are:



The subcommittee is recommending the following:

1. Work with local artists to create artistic templates that can be utilized by children to paint storm water catch basins. This would be similar to a paint by color concepts.
2. Work with local artists to create cross walk art concepts and invite the public to assist in painting the cross walks.
3. By creating decorative crosswalks and storm sewer catch basins the commission will be achieving small scale goals for Year 1 and 2 from the Public Art Implementation Plan.