



Agenda Item Summary

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Public Hearing - Updates to Chapter 29 – Art in Public Places

Presenter:

Gina Peebles – Assistant County Manager – Chief of Staff

Description:

Public Hearing - Updates to Chapter 29 – Art in Public Places

Recommended Action:

Adopt the proposed ordinance to amend Chapter 29 of the Alachua County Code and authorize the Chair execute the Ordinance

Prior Board Motions:

Mar. 25, 2025 – Authorized a Request to Advertise Updates to Chapter 29 – Art in Public Places

Fiscal Note:

N/A

Strategic Guide:

All Other Mandatory and Discretionary Services

Background:

At the Feb. 3 Arts Council meeting, they voted unanimously to update the Code language to be consistent with our current Call to Artists process.

Our most recent Call to Artists have included the following language which differs from that included in the Alachua County Code: *The Evaluation Team will review the submittals and recommend the top 2-3 artists to the Board of County Commissioners to be invited to develop a conceptual sketch of the mural. The selected artists will each be paid \$150 for their sketch. Sketches will be due within 30 calendar days of notification. The sketches will then be presented to the Board of County Commissioners for final selection of the artist who will be commissioned to complete the mural. The Commission may also choose to reject all submissions and re-advertise the Call to Artists.*

Sec. 29.04. Reserved Sec. 29.05. Art Selection Procedure.

The Alachua County Public Arts Program Citizens Advisory Committee ("the Committee") shall make a recommendation to the Board regarding each project. The Committee shall provide two alternatives to the recommendation. The Board may make the final selection from those options presented or any

option upon its own motion. The County Manager or designee shall be responsible for implementation of the Board's action.

There was concern that a highly desired artist may apply for a Call to Artists, but because we don't have at least three submittals, the Call would be rejected. This more generic language allows flexibility for Arts Council recommendations moving forward. All Call to Artists that are currently in progress will be handled as originally advertised.

Additionally, the definition of a "major renovation" for Art in Public Places was increased from \$100,000 to \$300,000 when Resolution 25-11 "Financial Policy Capital Budget & Financial Plan" was adopted. This definition in the Code was updated to reflect this change.