

**SOUTHFIELD PUBLIC ARTS COMMISSION BOARD MEETING**

**AMENDED MINUTES**

Tuesday, September 16, 2025

5:00 P.M.

Conference Room A, Southfield Pavilion

**APPROVED 11/18/25**

**A. Roll Call:**

Present: Crum, Flagg, Goldstein, Hill-Ross, Jones (arrived at 5:10), Ligan, Milinsky (left at 5:30), Speed-Hale (arrived at 5:03), Williams, Wood

Excused: Pizana

Also present: Bryce, Croad, Mayor Siver

**5:01: Roll call determined that there was a quorum present to conduct business.**

**B. Approval of Agenda**

Typo, top bullet page 2, Mandy Moran item will be for approval.

9 Mile crossing will be moved to Sebastian update.

Motion by: Goldstein; Support by Milinski to approve the agenda as amended.

Approved 8-0 (Crum, Flagg, Goldstein, Hill-Ross, Ligan, Milinsky, Williams, Wood)

**C. Public Comment**

Adrienne Douglas spoke to the Commissioners.

**D. Approval of Meeting Minutes**

Motion by: Williams; Support: Hill-Ross to approve the June 17, 2025, minutes.

Approved 9-0 (Crum, Flagg, Goldstein, Hill-Ross, Ligan, Milinsky, Speed-Hale, Williams, Wood)

**E. Sub-Committees Reports: (Master Plan: Fundraising, Education, & Outreach)**

Financial Reports:

- FY 24/25 Budget Review (through 6/30/25)

Croad explained that the budget was as expected.

Motion by: Wood; Support: Williams to approve the budget through 6/30/25

Approved 10-0 (Crum, Flagg, Goldstein, Hill-Ross, Jones, Ligan, Milinsky, Speed-Hale, Williams, Wood)

- FY 25/26 Budget Review (through 8/31/25)

Motion by: Hill-Ross; Support: Milinsky to approve the budget through 8/31/25

Approved 10-0 (Crum, Flagg, Goldstein, Hill-Ross, Jones, Ligan, Milinsky, Speed-Hale, Williams, Wood)

- FY 25/26 Budget Amendment

Motion by: Milinsky; Support: Goldstein to approve budget amendment.

Approved 10-0 (Crum, Flagg, Goldstein, Hill-Ross, Jones, Ligan, Milinsky, Speed-Hale, Williams, Wood)

- Review and Approve Art Requirement Amendment

The proposed increases are slight and not unrealistic, and reasonable relative to other cities. Overall, it is a 2-3 month process. There is an appeal process built into the system if a project is shown not to move forward due to the art requirement. In fact, art tends to bring business due to interest in the work.

Motion by: Williams; Support: Wood to support the art requirement amendment.

Approved 9-0 (Crum, Flagg, Goldstein, Hill-Ross, Jones, Ligan, Speed-Hale, Williams, Wood)

- Fundraising:
  - Kimmie Horne Jazz Festival - August 8 & 9, 2025: Recap

The weather brought in a lot of guests due to the great weather. Net proceeds are \$21,453.81 to Friends of Public Art.

#### **F. Presentations/Project Status Updates/Approvals:**

- Mandy Moran – 9 Mile Crossing: Update

Commission has been working with Moran for over a year, and project is approved and ready to be executed. Next steps are to get project on a timeline and with

insurances.

Motion to execute: Hill-Ross; Support: Ligan to move forward with Moran's 9 Mile Crossing project in the amount of \$56,447.00.

Approved 9-0 (Crum, Flagg, Goldstein, Hill-Ross, Jones, Ligan, Speed-Hale, Williams, Wood)

- DIA Partners in Public Art (PIPA): Update

Design was submitted by artist to be installed on Arts and Activities building. This was a result of a community survey, which communicated a desire for nature.

- Etrog Restoration: Installation by end of September

The restorer is planning on installing it next Tuesday. Unanticipated deterioration of the sculpture caused delays.

- Matter & Metaphor: Artist Opening Reception September 25, 2025, 6:00 - 8:00 PM

Eight artists are being shown. Milinsky will be sending requests for volunteers for opening.

- LTU Plaza: Complete

City Center Advisory Board purchased a piece from Flatlanders. The City of Southfield used excess benches. Relatively inexpensive to create.

- Google Pins: Update

Converted pocket sites tour to Google Maps. This will likely create more visibility.

- 9/Line Placemaking: Update

Located in Bauervic Woods and the Former Fire Station. The colors tie in with branding, and the locations tie in with respite stations. Other street scape elements from the 9 Line project will tie everything together.

- 8 Mile/Greenfield Lighting: Update

Mayor Siver updated that costs are reduced in several ways, DTE is installing lights, and the DTE Foundation is donating funds as well. Other funds are being donated by

the City of Oak Park and Southfield.

- Sebastian Sculpture: Monument Base Update

We have 1.3 million in the budget for this, and we estimate that we need 1.5 million. The base design is complete.

- Metro Marvels 2025 Report

Editors of the magazine presented the Mayor with an award, recognizing everything the City of Southfield has done to create an arts-forward place to live. Received the Most Improved Municipality Award.

- Art Guide/Inventory Sheets: Sub-Committee Update

Sub-committee is moving forward.

- Steampunk Hospitality Art & Design: Placemaking Opportunity Discussion

Artist reached out as he saw what the commission is doing and was interested in doing a project with us.

#### **G. Board Member Comments:**

Hill-Ross commented that she was happy that the Art Van space is now being reused for 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue Furniture.

Williams shared that he will be relocating for his job and must leave the SPAC.

SPAC welcomed Genelle Speed-Hale.

#### **H. Adjournment**

Meeting Adjourned 6:27

Motion: Goldstein; Support: Speed-Hale to adjourn.

Approved 9-0 (Crum, Flagg, Goldstein, Hill-Ross, Jones, Ligan, Speed-Hale, Williams, Wood)

*Lilian Crum 1/20/26*

11/18/25 - Motion by Hill-Ross, seconded by Speed-Hale, to approve the September 16, 2025, minutes as amended. Approved, 7-0 (Douglas, Flagg, Hill-Ross, Jones, Ligan, Milinsky, Speed-Hale)