

Public Art Administrator Report City
of Key West Art in Public Places
JULY 2024

Public Art Projects: Updates in **RED**:

1. **Douglass Community Center – Ongoing. RFP being routed for release!** Completed 2 site visits, meeting with Commissioner Lopes and Karen Wilman to finalize targeted spaces. – have new photos, reviewed feedback from surveys, artist workshop, and BVRAC meeting. RFP in progress, Construction underway and on schedule. Postponed one more month – awaiting City Commission approval at July meeting. We will have \$\$ in June/July. Invited staff to our meeting to review the plans and timeline. Following presentation by City Staff at June AIPP meeting – we requested a budget and potential “targeted space”. Will continue communications with Karen Wilman, and consider best timing for community workshop for feedback prior to any RFP.
2. **John Jones Navigational Center: Awaiting budget now that the BID has been accepted. Working with City staff for updated targeted spaces and timeline.**
3. **KW Seaport Public Art project – ONGOING –fabrication underway. Received an email from Karen updating engineering drawings etc.** Completed site visit and shift of main piece, working on Caroline St pieces first, while Greene St under goes sewer and utility work. Ferrill-Trellage Studios Inc proposal has been approved as the recommended project by The KW Seaport Bight Board, HARC, and staff. Next stop City Commission in July. RFP was released and distributed widely – Bid Opening Date January 18th. Request to City Manager for 2-3 stakeholders complete, meeting to review and score set for February 15th at 4:00 pm. Final revisions completed – moving through City Staff for approval and release as an RFP – due date to be determined. New Port Director is Steve McAlearney – was Director of Engineering.
4. **Truman Waterfront Park – Ongoing** Phase 1B – Draft *in progress* on RFP for pairs of double “barn” doors facing the new sports field with an art budget of \$15,000.
5. **Simonton Street Fire Station – Ongoing** Draft RFP in progress, took new photos and using earlier version of the RFP. Discussed with HARC director, and reviewed guidelines for the historic district.
6. **1400 Duval Park/Mall Signage** – new artwork signs ordered. Parks & Rec board working on new landscaping, cleanup and painting of knee walls – RFP for signage on the list to complete. New installs and payments complete.
7. **Poetry in Sidewalks/Bus Stops:** ONGOING conversations on pieces removed and how to best move forward with this beloved project.
8. **State of Florida SEAL : Seal is in City Manager’s office – we suggest reinstall in the Chambers, and/or on the wall directly to the right of Chambers door.**
9. **Private Development Projects:** Summer follow-up on each project with Staff.
10. **Gift from Timyan family and Gift from Kathryn Kilgore** – Working with Marcus Davila and Mike in Community Services to install in new locations – dog park on Grinnell and small Flagler Ave Park.
11. **Clinton Square – Construction underway** Monument preserved, plans approved – ground breaking in June.
12. **Mallory Square/ Zero Duval Street - Private/City – No updates.** Have had 2 meetings with HARC on Zero Duval, meeting end of March with Sasaki. Several meetings and community outreach being conducted both in person and by survey’s online. Excellent website hosted by consultant group Sasaki.
13. **Collections Management – Ongoing City Webpage for AIPP – Ongoing –**
14. **Questions & comments**

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