

Public Art Administrator Report
City of Key West Art in Public Places
AUGUST 2026

Public Art Projects: **Updates in GREEN:**

1. **City of Key West WELCOME SIGN** – Submitted Draft RFP to the CITY STAFF, it's been reviewed and is being circulated by Lucas for approval. This new project assigned to AIPP by City Commission and City Manager.
2. **John Jones Navigational Center**: RFP draft in progress need to update photos to release. Art Budget: \$71,500. Budget: \$79,388. Project manager – Glynn Meienburg. We will request our 2 stakeholder selection committee members from City Manager. Ribbon cutting completed. Liz met with architect Bill Horn and has the targeted spaces.
3. **Ramos-Lopez 1400 Duval Pedestrian Park** – Finalizing dates for release. Updated Call for Proposals sent for review to City Staff.
4. **Police Station** – Ready for final review. Building has been painted. "Naming" mural – Call for proposals in draft form – budget approved \$5,000.
5. **FAPAP Conference 2027** – Dates/Hotel set April 26-29 - City/County co-hosting in Key West
6. **Press Releases/Social Media/Website** – Ongoing – will establish new contact with new PIO as Alyson Crean retired. to increase awareness of AIPP projects – photos and stories for release.
7. **Truman Waterfront Park** – Ongoing – Draft RFP for pairs of double "barn" doors facing the new sports field with an art budget of \$15,000. Phase 1B
8. **Simonton Street Fire Station** – Restarting the draft RFP. Review with Board and HARC to determine appropriate targeted space for RFP and discuss guidelines with new HARC Director.
9. **Poetry in Sidewalks/Bus Stops**: Timeline established – writing a draft RFP for design
First meeting to discuss duties/timeline on July 8 for new grant awarded \$50,000 on June 25 from T-Mobile at the Southernmost Buoy at sunset. Did not receive the NEA grant – notified in May. I completed a support letter for this grant for the next phase. Grant application completed and submitted by deadline. Met with Sustainability coordinator in July – applying for a NEA grant for new bus shelters for island areas that do not have them – will consider artistic designs and room for poetry revolving program. ONGOING - 4 have been removed and need to be replaced. Need to determine next steps.
10. **Collections Management** – We have received the agreement and are reviewing with legal - registered for Bloomberg Connects App -1st mtg July 30
11. **Private 1% project spreadsheet** – Ongoing- needs updating, meeting w/Planning in AUG
12. **Website Updates** – Ongoing updates w/Angela Budde
13. **State of Florida Seal** – Artist will be back in November. Working on repairs to reinstall over United St. exit door in Commission Chambers.
14. **Mahogany Tree Lottery for Artists** – Successful launch – planning an exhibit for April 2027. Will distribute more wood in late Fall. Tree lottery pick up to be held on Saturday June 20. Round one. Had meetings with Urban Forester and created a process for the lottery now that the salvaged wood has been drying and milled. Ready for distribution end of June 2026.

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