

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

Public Art Projects: **Updates in PINK:**

1. **Frederick Douglass Community Center** – **Ongoing**. Sally had addt'l delays due to fabrication. Will install in late MAY. Signage complete for Billy. Waiting on Craig's approval. Sally needed more time and requested access to the space the 2nd week of Feb. Install date TBD, Sally Binard installing in LATE January, early February – delayed due to artist surgery. Liz working with Council's designer on signage for Craig and Billy. Craig Gray and Billy Kearins are complete.
2. **City of Key West WELCOME SIGN** – **Working on the RFP** – this new project assigned to AIPP by City Commission and City Manager.
3. **Mahogany Tree Lottery for Artists** – have held 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.
4. **FAPAP Conference 2027** – Dates are set – City/County AIPP co-hosting in Key West. April 2027
5. **John Jones Navigational Center**: RFP draft in progress need to update photos and then ready to release. Art Budget: \$71,500. Budget: \$79,388. Project manager – Glynn Meienburg. Ribbon cutting completed. Liz met with architect Bill Horn and has the targeted spaces. We will request our 2 stakeholder selection committee members from City Manager.
6. **Ramos-Lopez 1400 Duval Pedestrian Park** – **Finalizing dates for selection and then ready to post**. Pending until we had received approval of the Insurance we require by risk mgmt. NEW Call for Proposals sent for review to City Staff. Considering an RFP for signage with Parks & Rec board.
7. **Police Station** – **Ready for final review**. Building has been painted. "Naming" mural – Call for proposals in draft form – budget approved \$5,000.
8. **The Rainbow Project**: **On hold and pending per review of the legal dept.** Following meetings with the Mayor and Business Guild we will expand the RFP to include the 700 & 800 blocks. Budget was reviewed. Goal is to have selected artwork proposal approved by Pride Week in June. Drafting an RFP for public art for the historic 800 block of Duval Street based on community input, surveys conducted by KW Business Guild, City Engineering and Growth Mgmt departments and the City Commission. Requested targeted spaces and final budget.
9. **Press Releases and Social Media** – **Ongoing** Working with PIO Alyson Crean to increase awareness of AIPP projects – photos and stories for release.
10. **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
11. **State of Florida Seal** – **Ongoing** Artist is traveling. Working on repairs to reinstall over United St. exit door in Commission Chambers.
12. **Simonton Street Fire Station** – **Restarting the draft RFP**. *Paused with #5 above*. Review with Board and HARC to determine appropriate targeted space for RFP and discuss guidelines with new HARC Director.
13. **Poetry in Sidewalks/Bus Stops**: **Did not receive the NEA grant – notified last week – there is a new grant pending with notification on June 26 from T-Mobile**. **Ongoing**. 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.
14. **Collections Management** – **Ongoing** **City Webpage for AIPP** – **Ongoing** –
15. **Private 1% project spreadsheet** - **Ongoing**