

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

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

1. **City of Key West WELCOME SIGN** – Submitted Draft RFP to the CITY STAFF. This new project assigned to AIPP by City Commission and City Manager.
2. **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.
3. **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.
4. **Ramos-Lopez 1400 Duval Pedestrian Park** – Finalizing dates for release. Updated Call for Proposals sent for review to City Staff.
5. **Police Station** – Ready for final review. Building has been painted. “Naming” mural – Call for proposals in draft form – budget approved \$5,000.
6. **FAPAP Conference 2027** – Dates/Hotel set April 26-29 - City/County co-hosting in Key West
7. **Press Releases/Social Media/Website** – Ongoing Working with PIO Alyson Crean to increase awareness of AIPP projects – photos and stories for release.
8. **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
9. **State of Florida Seal** – Ongoing Artist is traveling. Working on repairs to reinstall over United St. exit door in Commission Chambers.
10. **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.
11. **Poetry in Sidewalks/Bus Stops**: 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.
12. **Collections Management** – registered for Bloomberg Connects App -1st mtg JULY 30
13. **Private 1% project spreadsheet** - Ongoing
14. **Website Updates** – Ongoing & met w/Angela Budde new photos/streamline info. July 7

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