

MOSCOW ARTS COMMISSION



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**Tuesday, November 9,
2021**

5:00 PM

**Council Chambers
206 E. 3rd St.**

WELCOME AND ATTENDANCE

REGULAR AGENDA

1. Reading of the Mission Statement

The mission of the Moscow Arts Commission is to enrich the community by celebrating and cultivating the expression of all art forms and culture.

Values:

- Recognize and promote artists' value by creating opportunities for work to be experienced.
- Facilitate and promote the social, educational, and economic value of all art forms and culture in the community.
- Provide leadership and act as a resource in the conversation of all art forms and culture with partner agencies, city leaders, and the community.

2. Approval of Moscow Arts Commission September 14 and October 12, 2021 Minutes (ACTION ITEM)

PROPOSED ACTION: Approve minutes, amend minutes, or take such other action deemed appropriate.

3. Public Comment and Response to Previous Comments (limited to 10 minutes)

Members of the public may speak to the Commission regarding matters NOT on the agenda or currently pending before the Commission. Please state your name and address for the record and limit your remarks to three (3) minutes.

4. MACTivities Toolbox Art Educator Selection Panel (ACTION ITEM)

On September 14, the MAC approved the RFQ for MACTivities Toolbox editions 4 & 5. The submission form was open from September 24 to October 29. The Commission discussed potential selection panel members during the October 12 meeting, and voted to table the discussion regarding selection panel membership until the submission deadline passed. One arts educator submitted a proposal for the opportunity, and included an invitation for the MAC to propose another project if desired.

PROPOSED ACTION: Approve the MACTivities Toolbox proposal as presented or with advice for revisions, move to re-open the call to arts educators, or take such other action deemed appropriate.

5. Portable Collection Deaccession (ACTION ITEM)

During the October 12, 2021 regular meeting, the MAC discussed implementing the deaccession process for Frank Werner's wooden duck decoy, which was donated to the City Portable Collection by Samuel and Lois Butterfield in 2004. The intent of the proposed deaccession is to present the decoy as a farewell gift for retiring City Supervisor Gary Riedner. The following deaccession structure is stated in the 2021 Public Art Guidelines:

In the event a work of art may need to be considered for removal, sale, trade, or gifting (deaccessioning), the Arts Program Manager (and MAC) shall present the request to City Council. The Arts Program Manager or designee shall state in the request that the artwork is of no further use to the City; the recommendation of whether the artwork should be removed, sold, traded or gifted; the reasoning for the recommendation; and how the recommendation will provide for maximum value with attendant benefits to the citizens of Moscow (I.C. 67-5722, 5732A). Proceeds of a sale shall cover the expenses of the sale with any net revenues deposited into the general account of the City of Moscow.

Commission members requested that City staff research the value of the duck as well as whether another one is available. The Art Spirit Gallery exhibited several of Werner's ducks in 2009, and approximated their value at \$400-\$600. Frank Werner confirmed not only the \$600 value but also his enthusiasm for the deaccession and gifting, noting that the purchase of a similar duck would be possible. He also provided that the duck in the City collection specifically depicts a swimmer, rather than another typical duck behavior, such as turned-head sleeping. He further noted that ducks swim either cooly to attract a mate or to rejoin a flock, and that the viewer is invited to decide for which purpose this particular duck swims.

If gifting of the duck is recommended by a majority vote of Commission members, the topic, along with the MAC's reasoning for the recommendation, will be brought to City Council for consideration.

PROPOSED ACTION: Recommend deaccession as well as gifting and provide reasoning for such action, recommend against deaccession, or take such other action deemed appropriate.

REPORTS

- 1. Arts & Culture Education (Caisley)**
- 2. Volunteer Hour Tally**
- 3. Operational Report**
 - Artwalk (Cherry)
 - MAC Officer Elections (Cherry)

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