

Montpelier Public Art Commission – Meeting Agenda

Date: Wednesday Feb. 18, 2026 3:30 – 4:45 pm
Meeting in City Hall, City Council Chambers & via Zoom link below

Join Zoom Meeting Link:

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Opening Process:

1. Call to order:
2. Review and approve this meeting's Agenda
3. Approve minutes 4/30/25
4. Opportunity for "**Community Comment**"

Projects for review:

1. **Signage program:** The sign for the Clothespins piece has been approved and is underway
 - Judith suggested getting signage done as part of any commission. Eliot suggested artist identifying themselves.
2. **Condition of existing Art:**
 - Eliot's tryptic is too worn. If it looks bad, \$300 for materials. Shall we entertain permanent. He is willing to donate new images, but hanging is a challenge
 - Plowed snow threatens to damage the Clothes Pin Sculpture
 - Vines lights have been identified by a patron as worthy of sponsorship. Is Rob willing to install/repair new? We voted unanimously to spend up to \$300 on 4/30/25 to repair this.
 - Bike sculptures removed at a \$1,200 cost - Rob will try and find her.
 - Tumbling Blocks by Sabina. She will replace that piece?
 - The Hanes Memorial at MRHS is looking bad, and Bob will reach out to the school to see if they will repair it.
 - Schuman pieces on Ramble Rouser need removal, or not?
3. **New Art Priorities**
 - **Drawing Board building** is our highest visibility location

- Empty lot next to **Drawing Board**
 - Empty storefront windows
 - Prioritize images of displaced people
 - **New Shaws Mural:** on river side of building, Montpelier Alive offered to kick this off. Ward proposed using our existing design submissions to select the next artist – for discussion. Bob suggested an ecology/river theme. Eliot suggested a theme of welcoming of everyone and/or elsewhere in the city as a theme.
 - **Gateway Mural Project:** Caroline Shapiro would like to help keep it going. \$2,500 was approved by MPAC at last meeting. Ward to shepherd
4. **Lighting the Bridges:** Montpelier Alive's project and our ongoing collaboration and/or support
 5. **Request to restore mural behind Walgreens,** we've received a request to restore it
 6. **Deaccession** of pieces that **are aged:** Berg banner, Schuman works
 7. **Public Art Map and registry on line.** Map by Megan – any feedback from M.A?
 8. **Catalogue of available buildings** for public art placement opportunities
 9. **Elections** of new Chair and Treasurer

Closing Process:

1. Next Meeting time:
2. Adjourn