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TOWN OF APEX
APEX PUBLIC ART COMMITTEE MONTHLY MEETING
MONDAY, MAY 19, 2025
6:00 P.M.

6 The Apex Public Art Committee Meeting met on Monday, May 19, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. in the
7 Council Chambers at Apex Town Hall, located at 73 Hunter Street in Apex, North Carolina.

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9 This meeting was open to the public. Members of the public were able to attend this meeting
10 in-person or watch online via the livestream on the Town's YouTube Channel.

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12 The recording of this meeting can be viewed here: [Apex Public Art Committee 05.19.2025](#)
13 [YouTube](#)

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15 **[ATTENDANCE]**

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17 Board Members - Present

18 Tom Colwell, Chair

19 Sean Durham, Vice Chair

20 Brad Erickson, Committee Member

21 Bethany Bryant, Committee Member

22 Susan Kirley, Committee Member (absent)

23 Lafayette Trawick, Committee Member (*arrived late - see note below*)

24 Ewan Pritchard, Committee Member (*arrived late - see note below*)

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26 Town Staff

27 Allen Coleman, Town Clerk

28 Taylor Wray, Cultural Arts Center Manager (absent)

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30 **[CALL TO ORDER]**

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32 **Chair Colwell** called the meeting to order at **6:00 p.m.**

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34 **[APPROVAL OF MINUTES]**

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36 A **motion** was made by **Member Brad Erickson** and seconded by **Member Bethany**
37 **Bryant**, to approve the minutes for May 19, 2025.

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39 **VOTE: UNANIMOUS (4-0)** with Susan Kirley, Lafayette Trawick, and Ewan Pritchard absent.

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41 **[TOWN LIAISON REPORT]**

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1 **Town Clerk, Allen Coleman**, said the Town Council will consider approving the
2 ordinance amendments associated with the various advisory board structure changes and
3 administrative policy at their May 27, 2025 meeting. He said the council received an update
4 on the process at their May 13, 2025 meeting.

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6 **[CHAIRPERSON’S REPORT]**

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8 **Chair Colwell** said that there was nothing new to report during the Chairperson’s
9 report but there were several old business items that would be referenced during tonight’s
10 meeting.

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12 **[PUBLIC COMMENT]**

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14 **Chair Colwell** closed Public Comment with no one signed up to speak.

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16 **Board Member Lafayette Trawick** arrived at **6:07 p.m.**

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18 **[OLD BUSINESS]**

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20 • **Mural (White Oak Creek Greenway)**

21 **Chair Colwell** said that there were some delays, and he expects this to be completed
22 by the end of May.

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24 • **Crosswalk Art (Salem Street)**

25 **Chair Colwell** said that the presentation was originally scheduled to go to Council on
26 May 27. However, that plan has been pushed back to the June 24 Council meeting.

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28 • **Video Projection - Tom**

29 **Chair Colwell** said that the projects are going through the final stages of plan review.
30 He said that the next steps for the Board were to look at ideas for the panel and
31 exterior. There were discussions about the mockups.

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33 **Member Trawick** asked questions regarding to the number of panels, what the
34 timeline is, and if the show would continuously run.

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36 • **Apex Sculpture Walk (ASW V)**

37 **Chair Colwell** said there have been some guided walks. He said there is voting taking
38 place for the People’s Choice. He said that there will be information going out to the
39 Board for Best in Show. He said the walk is on auto cast and the voting is done in
40 person.

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42 • **Art Guide**

1 **Chair Colwell** said Taylor is working with legal to draft a document for the owners to
2 get a release to post in the guide. He asked the Board if they see a piece of artwork to
3 take pictures and share with the Board for the guide.
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5 **[NEW BUSINESS]**
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7 **Town Clerk Coleman** provided an update on the status of the Resident Advisory
8 Board process and the transition from Public Art Committee to Arts and Culture Advisory
9 Board. He said that the vision was to expand beyond Public Art and to incorporate other
10 forms of art and they are working with staff on a survey, and that a survey would be
11 forthcoming and encouraged members to participate. He said that input on the new
12 framework from the Board is welcome.
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14 **Member Erickson** asked if the Board would receive any type of summary or results of
15 the surveys.
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17 **Town Clerk Coleman** said that they would, and the summaries would be compiled.
18 He said if there are items in the survey that need clarification on them then he would come
19 back and ask.
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21 **Member Trawick** asked what the intent is to broaden the committee and if the intent
22 was to mirror other municipalities.
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24 **Town Clerk Coleman** gave some of the history of the committee and said that the
25 Council had expressed a desire to place a stronger emphasis on art overall and for the Board
26 to become a standalone entity, separate from Parks and Recreation. He said it would also
27 encompass more related programs. He said that it was wise to see how other municipalities
28 are focusing on their structure and decide on what is best for Apex.
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30 **Member Erickson** asked if there would be a non-voting member on the Board.
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32 **Town Clerk Coleman** said no that there would be nine voting members. He said
33 regular terms would be two-year terms for a maximum of three consecutive terms which
34 would be a maximum of 6 years, and the youth terms would be for one year for a maximum
35 of 2 years.
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37 **Member Erickson** said that he was looking into an artist and residence program and
38 was looking into a program. He is getting ideas to see how this would be done. He said that
39 there was a Google doc in the Slack channel for review.
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41 **Vice Chair Durham** gave an update on the sidewalk paintings. He said that he would
42 share some finalized information for feedback.

