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PORTLAND PUBLIC ART COMMITTEE

Wednesday, November 19, 2025

4:00 PM Hybrid Meeting (in person or online via Zoom link)
City Hall, Room 209, 389 Congress Street, Portland, ME 04101

1. Zoom Meeting Information

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2. Call to Order

- Roll call
- Review and approve minutes from October 15, 2025 meeting.

3. Staff Updates

A. Public art fund balance: No reductions

Presenter: Sean King

No public comment will be taken

B. Encumbrances for new acquisitions of public art: No updates

Presenter: Sean King
No public comment will be taken

C. Collection updates

Presenter: Sean King

1. Gorham Corner: The Committee recommended a relocation of the granite posts arranged around the perimeter of the John Ford statue during the October 15, 2025 meeting. Staff shared a diagram that is under review by the Public Works Department to consider winter maintenance associated with the preferred relocation of granite posts at the intersection of York St. and Pleasant St.

4. New Business

A. Portland Harbor Common: A request for proposal (RFP) has been developed by the new acquisition subcommittee to commission artwork for a new waterfront park on the Eastern Waterfront. The Committee reviewed a draft of the RFP during its October 15, 2025 meeting. Staff recommends that the Committee make a motion to approve the draft RFP and authorize staff to proceed with the advertising process.

Public comment will be taken

B. Jewel Box bus shelter: Review and discussion of a request to use PPAC funds to replace glass damaged by corrosive graffiti, and a broader discussion regarding the future maintenance and upkeep of the shelter. Staff recommends that the Committee approve the use of existing PPAC funds to cover the cost of glass replacement.

Public comment will be taken

5. Subcommittee Reports

A. Governance/Board Development (Berke, Dennehy)

1. Committee chairs to share updates
2. Consideration to cancel December meeting

B. Acquisitions (Formerly "Gifts") Subcommittee (Cole, Hrenko, Zagaria)

1. Subcommittee members to share updates

C. Communications Subcommittee (Motter, Berke, Gibbs)

1. Subcommittee members to share updates

D. Collection Management (Formerly "Site Selection") Subcommittee (Dennehy, Gibbs, Berke, Zagaria)

1. Subcommittee members to share updates.

6. Project Reports

A. Conservation Projects

1. Conservation assessment by Tuckerbrook Conservation LLC: Staff will provide an update on the schedule for performing the service.

B. Maintenance Projects: No updates

C. Portland Harbor Common new acquisition subcommittee (Dennehy, Cole, Levesque and Zagaria)

1. Subcommittee members to share updates.

7. Public Comment Period on Non-Agenda Items

8. Other Business

9. Meeting Adjourns

Next Meeting - December 17, 2025