

# Stillwater OKLAHOMA

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## STILLWATER PUBLIC ART COMMITTEE SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA

APRIL 16, 2026, 4:00 PM

723 S. Lewis Street, Room 2073  
Stillwater, OK 74074

Cristy Morrison, Sara Brown, Barry Fuxa, Kirsten Olds, Valerie Bloodgood, Tim Hodges, Katie Bean, DCM Christy Driskel, & CPAO Dawn Dodson

1. Call Meeting to Order
2. General Orders

a.	Open Meetings Act Training. No action will be taken on this item.	City Attorney's Office
b.	Overview of the Committee and discussion of Ordinances 3591 & 3600. No action will be taken on this item.	Dawn Dodson, Kimberly Carnley
c.	Presentation of Early Childhood Coalition, "Let's Play," public art and education initiative. No action will be taken on this item.	Amy Hardin, Ashley Kruse
d.	Presentation of Utility Box Art Program winners and history. No action will be taken on this item.	Dawn Dodson, Tim Hodges, Billy Fultz

3. Public Comment

Stillwater City Code, Section 2-53(a) & (b), provides that taxpayers or residents of the city, or their authorized legal representatives, may address the Committee at a regularly scheduled meeting on any item of business listed on the meeting agenda.

4. Reports from Committee Members or Staff

a.	Discussion and possible approval of Stillwater Public Art Committee 2026 Special Meeting Schedule.
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5. Adjourn

On April 15, 2026, at 3 p.m., a true and correct copy of this agenda was posted on the kiosk outside City Hall, 723 S. Lewis Street, Stillwater, OK.

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ORDINANCE NO. 3591

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE STILLWATER CITY CODE BY CREATING A NEW CHAPTER 34, "PUBLIC ART PROGRAM;" CREATING SECTION 34-1, "PURPOSE;" CREATING SECTION 34-2, "DEFINITIONS;" CREATING SECTION 34-3, "FUND ESTABLISHED;" CREATING SECTION 34-4, "ADMINISTRATION;" CREATING SECTION 34-5, "STILLWATER PUBLIC ART COMMITTEE;" CREATING SECTION 34-6, "DISPLAY OF PUBLIC ART;" CREATING SECTION 34-7, "INFRASTRUCTURE ART SPONSORSHIP PROGRAM;" REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES TO THE CONTRARY; AND PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY

(AMENDMENTS HIGHLIGHTED BY STRIKETHROUGH AND UNDERLINING)

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF STILLWATER, OKLAHOMA:

**SECTION 1:** That the Stillwater City Code, be amended by creating a new Chapter 34, "Public Art Program" to read as follows:

**CHAPTER 34 – PUBLIC ART PROGRAM**

**Sec. 34-1. - Purpose.**

The purpose of this Chapter is to enhance the cultural and aesthetic quality of life in Stillwater through the acquisition and display of public art. It establishes a committee to oversee the selection, installation, maintenance, and preservation of public artwork throughout Stillwater, and establishes a public art fund.

**Sec. 34-2. - Definitions.**

For purposes of this Chapter the following words or phrases shall be defined as follows:

*Public Art* means any visual Work of Art displayed in an open City-owned area, or the exterior of any City owned facility, inside any City-owned facility and areas designated as public areas, or on private property if the Work of Art is installed or financed, either wholly or in part, with funds from the Stillwater Public Art Fund.

*Committee* shall mean the Stillwater Public Art Committee ("SPA") as established by this chapter.

*Fund* shall mean the Stillwater Public Art Fund established by this Chapter.

*Work of Art* includes, but is not limited to, sculptures, murals, fountains, stained glass, reliefs, carvings, paintings, installations, and other visual art forms, and does not typically include signage, landscaping, or architectural ornamentation.

*Utility Infrastructure* means City-owned utility infrastructure and supportive equipment used for utility services.

**Sec. 34-3. - Fund Established.**

The Stillwater Public Art Fund is hereby established to receive donations from individuals, corporations, grants, other contributions, and allocations from the City as determined by the City Council. Said funds shall be administered by the City Council as recommended by the Stillwater Public Art Committee solely for the purposes set out in this Chapter. Funds shall be used for the following eligible expenditures:

- (1) Commissioning, purchasing, and installing public artwork
- (2) Administration and artist selection processes
- (3) Maintenance, repair, and insurance
- (4) Communications and education related to public art
- (5) Contributions to private installation of public art up to one-half of the cost of the piece of art not to exceed \$30,000 toward the purchase of said work of art

**Sec. 34-4. - Administration.**

The Stillwater Public Art Committee (“SPA”) shall administer the provisions of this Chapter 34 – Public Art Program and make recommendations to the City Council regarding expenditures of funds. The committee shall report annually to the City Council, no later than March 1, summarizing prior year’s activities and finances, and including any planned projects or activities for the next fiscal year.

**Sec. 34-5. – Stillwater Public Art Committee.**

- (a) *Duties and Functions.* The duties and functions of the Stillwater Public Art Committee (“SPA”) shall be to administer the provisions of this Chapter. SPA shall develop guidelines for the selection and maintenance of public art; review and recommend selection, acquisition or placement of art; and promote public art initiatives and education. SPA shall make recommendations to the City Council on expenditures of funds from the Public Art Fund consistent with the provisions of this Chapter.
- (b) *Membership and Qualifications.* SPA shall consist of nine (9) members as follows: Seven (7) members shall be appointed by the City Council at large in accordance with City Code Sec. 2-113. The City Manager shall designate One (1) member from city staff, and One (1) member from city administration to serve on the committee. The designated city staff appointee shall serve as advisor to the committee and as the city point of contact for the Public Art Program. Membership shall reflect a balance of artistic, professional, and community perspectives, and

may include individuals with experience in the visual arts, design, architecture, tourism, business, or education.

- (c) *Residency Requirements.* The seven (7) members appointed by the City Council shall be residents of the City of Stillwater or shall demonstrate ties to the community through employment, property ownership, or leadership in a Stillwater-based organization.
- (d) *Term.* The seven (7) members appointed by the City Council shall serve three-year terms and may be reappointed for no more than three (3) consecutive terms. Initial appointments shall be staggered so that no more than one-third of the Committee expires in any given year.
- (e) *Rules of Procedure, Vacancies, Removal, Officers, Council Review of Decisions, Authority of Members.* All other provisions of City Code Chapter 2, Article III. Authorities, Boards, Committees, Commissions, Trusts, generally applicable to city committees and not otherwise provided for in this Chapter shall be applicable to SPA.

**Sec. 34-6. – Display of Public Art.**

Works of Art may be placed in public areas or private spaces with high public visibility by agreement with the owner thereof. Displayed Works of Art may not be removed or altered without prior SPA approval. All Works of Art acquired in whole or in part using Public Art Funds shall be acquired in the name of and title shall be held by the City of Stillwater.

**Sec. 34-7. – Infrastructure Art Sponsorship Program.**

- (a) Program. There is hereby established an Infrastructure Art Sponsorship Program, wherein City-owned utility infrastructure can be visually enhanced through public art. The City may also refer to this program as the “Utility Box Art Program.”
- (b) Program Guidelines. SPA shall develop sponsorship program guidelines for this program to include application and evaluation criteria for the sponsorship of infrastructure art. Sponsors shall provide funds to cover installation, administration, and maintenance costs. This program is not eligible for funds from the Public Art Fund. All public art displayed on utility infrastructure must be approved by SPA.

**SECTION 2. REPEALER.** All ordinances or parts of ordinances conflicting or inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.

**SECTION 3. SEVERABILITY.** If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase or portion of this Ordinance is for any reason held invalid or unconstitutional by the Court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct, and

independent provision and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portion of this Ordinance.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED THIS 9<sup>th</sup> DAY OF FEBRUARY 2026.

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WILLIAM H. JOYCE, MAYOR

(SEAL)  
ATTEST:

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TERESA KADAVY, CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY THIS 9<sup>th</sup> DAY OF FEBRUARY 2026.

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KIMBERLY CARNLEY, CITY ATTORNEY

First Reading: 1-26-2026  
Second Reading: 2-09-026

ORDINANCE NO. 3600

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 34 – PUBLIC ART PROGRAM OF THE STILLWATER CITY CODE BY AMENDING SECTION 34-5. STILLWATER PUBLIC ART COMMITTEE TO CLARIFY VOTING AND NON-VOTING MEMBERS AND TO ESTABLISH THAT FOUR VOTING MEMBERS SHALL CONSTITUTE A QUORUM; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES TO THE CONTRARY; AND PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY

(AMENDMENTS HIGHLIGHTED BY STRIKETHROUGH AND UNDERLINING)

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF STILLWATER, OKLAHOMA:

**SECTION 1:** That the Stillwater City Code, Chapter 34, Public Art Program, Section 34.5, Stillwater Public Art Committee be amended to read as follows:

**Sec. 34-5. – Stillwater Public Art Committee.**

(a) *Duties and Functions.* The duties and functions of the Stillwater Public Art Committee (“SPA”) shall be to administer the provisions of this Chapter. SPA shall develop guidelines for the selection and maintenance of public art; review and recommend selection, acquisition or placement of art; and promote public art initiatives and education. SPA shall make recommendations to the City Council on expenditures of funds from the Public Art Fund consistent with the provisions of this Chapter.

(b) *Membership and Qualifications.* SPA shall consist of nine (9) members as follows:  
(1) Seven (7) voting members shall be appointed by the City Council at large in accordance with City Code Sec. 2-113. Membership shall reflect a balance of artistic, professional, and community perspectives, and may include individuals with experience in the visual arts, design, architecture, tourism, business, or education.

(2) Two (2) non-voting members shall be designated by the City Manager. The City Manager shall designate One (1) non-voting member from city staff, and One (1) non-voting member from city administration to serve on the committee. The designated city staff appointee shall serve as advisor to the committee and as the city point of contact for the Public Art Program. ~~Membership shall reflect a balance of artistic, professional, and community perspectives, and may include individuals with experience in the visual arts, design, architecture, tourism, business, or education.~~

(b)(c) Residency Requirements. The seven (7) voting members appointed by the City Council shall be residents of the City of Stillwater or shall demonstrate ties to the community through employment, property ownership, or leadership in a Stillwater-based organization.

~~(e)~~(d) Term. The seven (7) voting members appointed by the City Council shall serve three-year terms and may be reappointed for no more than three (3) consecutive terms.

Initial appointments shall be staggered so that no more than one-third of the Committee expires in any given year.

~~(d)~~(e) Quorum. Four (4) voting members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

(f) Rules of Procedure, Vacancies, Removal, Officers, Council Review of Decisions, Authority of Members. All other provisions of City Code Chapter 2, Article III. Authorities, Boards, Committees, Commissions, Trusts, generally applicable to city committees and not otherwise provided for in this Chapter shall be applicable to SPA.

**SECTION 2. REPEALER.** All ordinances or parts of ordinances conflicting or inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.

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PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED THIS \_\_\_\_ DAY OF APRIL 2026.

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WILLIAM H. JOYCE, MAYOR

(SEAL)  
ATTEST:

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TERESA KADAVY, CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY THIS \_\_\_\_ DAY OF APRIL 2026.

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KIMBERLY CARNLEY, CITY ATTORNEY

First Reading: 4/6/2026

Second Reading:

## Utility Art Box Winners, theme: "Stillwater Strong"

This is the second year of the program that has been under Stillwater Art Integration. The group collected submissions, opened them up for public voting, and selected the final five to be installed on already determined utility boxes. The announcements, installations, and sponsorships were placed on a brief hold with transition from Stillwater Art Integration to development and adoption of Stillwater Public Art. We now need to officially announce selected art, begin collecting sponsorships, and pursue installations. We also need to discuss at a later meeting, what the program looks like moving forward.

Utility box locations are Hall of Fame and Main, 12<sup>th</sup> and Perkins, Western and Lakeview, Monroe and University, and Country Club and 6<sup>th</sup>. The selected art and artists are included.



Artist: Barry Fuxa



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Artist: Gray Hartman



Artist: Brittany Lee



Artist: Lee Brasuell

This year's theme, *Stillwater Strong*, celebrates the unity, resilience, and compassion that define our community. Through times of hardship and recovery, the people of Stillwater have continually shown what it means to stand together.



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## Stillwater Public Art Committee 2026 Special Meeting Schedule

### **When/Where:**

Thursday, April 16, 4 p.m.

Thursday, May 21, 4 p.m.

Thursday, June 18, 4 p.m.

Thursday, July 16, 4 p.m.

Thursday, August 20, 4 p.m.

Thursday, September 17, 4 p.m.

Thursday, October 15, 4 p.m.

Thursday, November 19, 4 p.m.

Thursday, December 17, 4 p.m.

All meetings will be in Room 2073 of the Norman McNickle Municipal Complex, 723 S. Lewis Street, Stillwater, OK.