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**ROANOKE ART & HISTORY
TRAIL COMMITTEE AGENDA
NOVEMBER 19, 2025
6:30 PM**

**ROANOKE CITY HALL
FIRST FLOOR - CONFERENCE ROOM #102
500 S. OAK STREET
ROANOKE, TEXAS 76262**

A. CALL TO ORDER

B. PUBLIC INPUT

This item is available for citizens to address the Art and History Trail Committee on any issues that are not the subject of a public hearing. No action by law may be taken on the topic. The presiding officer reserves the right to impose a time limit on this portion of the agenda.

C. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

1. Consideration and action on approval of the minutes from the regular Art and History Trail Committee meeting held on October 15, 2025.

D. NEW BUSINESS

1. City Staff Report on Current Projects
2. Discussion of FY 26 priorities

E. ADJOURNMENT

CERTIFICATION

I certify that the above notice was posted at City Hall, 500 South Oak Street, Roanoke, Texas, on Monday, November 10, 2025, by 5:00 pm, in accordance with Chapter 551, Texas Government Code.



**AGENDA FOR THE ROANOKE
ART & HISTORY TRAIL COMMITTEE
MEETING**

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April S. Hill, City Secretary

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Roanoke Art & History Trail Committee **AGENDA ITEM**

TO: Art & History Trail Committee Members

SUBJECT: 10/15/2025 - AHTC Minutes

MEETING DATE: November 19, 2025

DEPARTMENT: City Secretary

ITEM SUMMARY:

Consideration and action on approval of the minutes from the regular Art and History Trail Committee meeting held on October 15, 2025.

INFORMATION:

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

SPECIAL CONSIDERATION:

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATION:

ATTACHMENTS:

1. AHTC Min 10-15-2025

Brian Darby, Member
Melissa Diorio, Member
Sharon McTernen, Vice Chairperson



Alicia Young, Chairperson

Lee Lewis, Member
Elizabeth Ellenbecker, Member
Tracie Merchant-Leatherwood, Member

**ROANOKE ART AND HISTORY TRAIL
COMMITTEE MINUTES
OCTOBER 15, 2025
6:30 P.M.**

**ROANOKE CITY HALL
FIRST FLOOR – CONFERENCE ROOM #102
500 S. OAK STREET
ROANOKE, TEXAS 76262**

Present: Chairperson Alicia Young; Vice Chairperson Sharon McTernen; Committee Members: Brian Darby, Melissa Diorio, and Elizabeth Ellenbecker.

Dept. Staff: Library Director Kelly Holt and Curator of Collections Kelli Thomerson.

Absent: Committee Members: Lee Lewis and Tracie Merchant-Leatherwood.

A. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

The Art and History Trail Committee meeting was called to order at 6:33 p.m.

B. PUBLIC INPUT

No one wished to speak.

C. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

1. Motion made by Elizabeth Ellenbecker second by Melissa Diorio to approve the minutes from the regular Art and History Trail Committee meeting held on September 17, 2025.

Motion carried unanimously.

D. NEW BUSINESS

1. Staff update on Austin Street Plaza.

Library Director Kelly Holt stated, with the assistance of Brian Darby, they were able to find an engineering firm to do a foundation study, to help move the process forward in the installation of the sculpture.

Committee member Brian Darby stated they are getting all of the paperwork in order to state the work and get back on schedule.



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Library Director Kelly Holt thanked the committee for their patience during this process, and she will keep them posted on the progress.

2. Discussion of FY26 priorities.

Library Director Kelly Holt stated she has spoken to the Public Works Director Shawn Wilkinson, in regard to possible artwork on one of the city's water towers. Mr. Wilkinson suggested the water tower located at Lois Street, as the other water tower (located behind the Roanoke Fire Department on Fairway Drive) has quite a bit of satellite/radio antenna equipment attached to it.

Library Director Kelly Holt asked committee members if they would like to discuss other possible sites for consideration.

Committee Members made the following suggestions:

- Installation of another sculpture by the Recreation Center
- Community Park (trail along the fishing pond)
- Business 114 (near Cannon Parkway)
- Business 114 (as you enter the city from US Hwy 114)
- Placement of a Pocket Park on Oak Street next to water tower
- Open spaces near restaurants for children to play
- Artistic benches all across the parks, city, etc.

After much discussion, staff and committee members agreed on the following priorities:

- Artistic benches
- Pocket parks
- Business 114 entrance sculpture
- Recreation Center corner sculpture
- Dandelion, sunflowers, or butterfly sculpture
- Possible sculptures along the walking trails
- Pavement art/murals (interactive) at local parks
- Art show sponsored by Art and History Trail Committee

* The next Art and History Trail Committee meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 19, 2025 at 6:30 p.m.

E. ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Sharon McTernen second by Brian Darby to adjourn the meeting at 7:15 p.m.

Motion carried unanimously.



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Alicia Young, Chairperson

Kelli Thomerson, Curator of Collections



Roanoke Art & History Trail Committee **AGENDA ITEM**

TO: Art and History Trail Committee Members

SUBJECT: Current Project Updates

MEETING DATE: November 19, 2025

DEPARTMENT: Visitor Center/Museum

ITEM SUMMARY:

City staff will provide updates on Austin Street Plaza and a library project

INFORMATION:

Austin Street Plaza

- Engineer contracted to provide installation plan. No timeline available yet.
- Pryor finishing fabrication

Library Teen Art Project

- Jessica Bell contracted to fabricate and install wooden engraved books in TEEN area of library.
- Community will be asked to participate in design process by providing words that describe their thoughts and feelings about the library.
- Project information attached.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

SPECIAL CONSIDERATION:

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATION:

All projects currently within budget

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Project Final Design_ Roanoke Library, Roanoke, TX



Roanoke Art & History Trail Committee **AGENDA ITEM**

2. Austin Street Plaza Sculpture Foundation Proposal

Project Final Design: Roanoke Library, Roanoke, TX

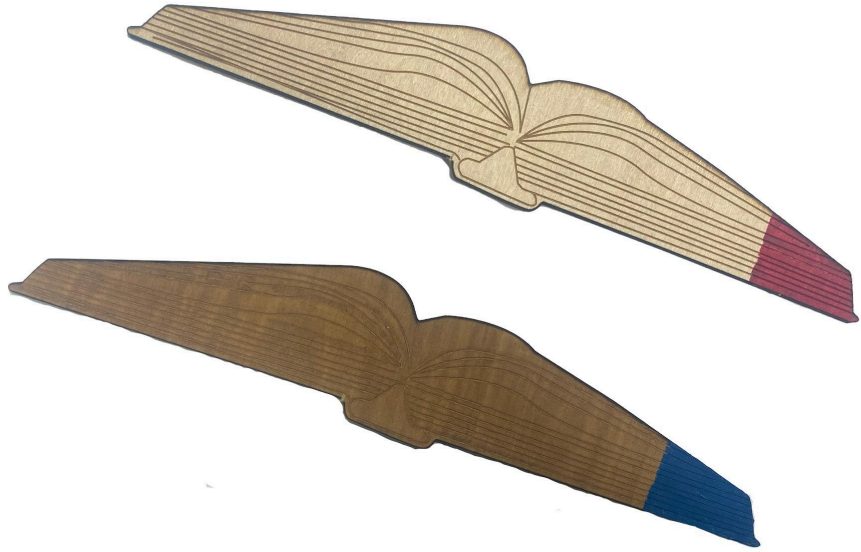
Artist: Jessica Bell

For this project, I will create a series of eighteen (18) wood laser cut books designed to resemble birds in flight, soaring across the 27' x 3' wall space above the bookshelves. Each wooden book will be uniquely shaped and sized, ranging from 8.5" x 2" to 10.5" x 3". The books will be mounted approximately one inch from the wall using spacers to create a subtle shadow effect and a sense of motion and depth.

The wood surfaces will be stained in a range of warm, natural tones—light to dark browns—representing the diverse skin tones of people within our community. To add vibrancy and visual rhythm, each book will feature a small accent of color at its lower edge.

This design concept is inspired by the idea that *"it is vital for everyone to see themselves reflected in the books and stories of our culture."* When we see our identities validated in literature, we feel a sense of belonging, affirmation, and empowerment. The variation in color and size symbolizes both individuality and unity—how our distinct stories come together to create a shared narrative.

In collaboration with Kelly Holt, words and phrases may be laser-engraved onto the surfaces of the books to further emphasize the power of language and storytelling in shaping identity and community.



Date: October 20, 2025 From: David L. Hartmann, P.E, S.E.
Client: Art and History Trail Committee Attn: Kelly Holt
Project: New Sculpture Foundation Location: Roanoke, Texas

Project Description

- 1. Foundation design for Austin Street Plaza sculpture foundation.

Basic Services

- 1. Design of the sculpture foundation for wind and gravity loading

Exclusions

- 1. Design of sitework including fences, paving, sidewalks, flag and high mast light foundations (poles over 30 feet in height), retaining walls, bollards, sign foundations, site sculptures, etc., unless specifically included above.
- 2. Special inspections or responsibility for special inspections as the Registered Design Professional in Responsible Charge (as defined by the International Building Code).

Fees

Basic Services	\$2,000
Site Visits	Hourly plus expenses

Accepted by:

Kelly Holt

Name



Signature

Note: Based upon acceptance of this proposal and when authorization to proceed is given, a contract shall be forwarded to the Client. After Contract has been signed, work shall be completed.



Roanoke Art & History Trail Committee **AGENDA ITEM**

TO: Art and History Trail Committee Members

SUBJECT: Priorities Discussion

MEETING DATE: November 19, 2025

DEPARTMENT: Library

ITEM SUMMARY:

Committee members will continue to discuss priorities for next project

INFORMATION:

Stated priorities from last meeting:

- Artistic Benches
- Pocket Park by Water Tower
- Sculpture near 114 / Byron Nelson city entrance
- Rec Center outdoors (dandelions?)
- Walking Trails
- Public Parks

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

SPECIAL CONSIDERATION:

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATION:

ATTACHMENTS:

None