



TO : Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Commission

FROM : Arts and Culture Advisory Board

RE : Recommendation for Approval of Funding and Sculpture Relocation

DATE : October 23, 2025

Recommendation for Approval of Funding Commission of Artist Anita Prentice for Mosaic Grave Caps Honoring Highwaymen Artists

The Arts and Culture Advisory Board respectfully recommends approval of funding, not to exceed \$15,000 (\$5,000 per grave cap), to commission local artist Anita Prentice for the creation and installation of two mosaic grave caps honoring celebrated Highwaymen artists:

- Al Black
- Mary Ann Carroll, the only female member of the Highwaymen collective
- Rodney Demps

This initiative has been implemented previously and is exclusively offered to Highwaymen artists interred at Pine Grove Cemetery.

Recommendation for Sculpture Relocation of *Sculpture in Front of City Hall* and Call for Artist for New Sculpture at City Hall

The Arts and Culture Advisory Board respectfully recommends the following actions:

1. Relocate the sculpture *Blind Date* from its current location in front of City Hall to the Indian Hills Recreation Center, where it will continue to be accessible and appreciated by the public in a vibrant community setting.
2. Authorize the Arts and Culture Advisory Board to issue a Call to Artists for the creation of a new, site-specific sculpture to be installed at the front of City Hall. This initiative will invite artists to propose works that reflect the identity, values, and vision of the City and its residents.

These actions support the City's ongoing commitment to public art, community engagement, and the thoughtful placement of cultural assets in locations where they can have the greatest impact.

Recommendation for Ongoing Restoration Funding for Mosaic Bench Maintenance

The Arts and Culture Advisory Board respectfully recommends that the City approve ongoing funding to support the restoration and maintenance of mosaic benches created by local artist Anita Prentice. Also, authorize the Arts and Culture Board to issue a public call for artists, specifically to identify a qualified mosaic artist to perform maintenance and restoration work on the mosaic benches. This will ensure the continued preservation of these unique public art pieces, which contribute to the cultural vibrancy and visual identity of our community. Regular upkeep will help maintain their structural integrity and aesthetic appeal for residents and visitors alike.

Attachment(s)

Untitled Map

Write a description for your map.

City Hall Sculpture Relocation

Legend

Fort Pierce



Google Earth

400 ft



Image for Al la Mo a Grave Topper



Image for Mary Anne Carroll Grave Topper



M.A. Carroll