

SECTION 1106.20: PUBLIC ART

Public art is classified in the Code as art displayed through various mediums, including but not limited to wall murals and sculptures, designed and located such that the art is visible or accessible to the general public from any public right-of-way.

(A) Administrative Regulations.

- (1) **Review and Recommendation.** All proposed public art must be reviewed and a recommendation of approval forwarded to the City by the Main Street Kent Public Art Advisory Board prior to installation. If at any point in the future, Main Street Kent, a nonprofit organization legally organized and recognized by the State of Ohio Secretary of State, were to be dissolved or its Public Art Advisory Board disbanded, Kent City Council must identify an alternative board or committee for the review of public art.

- (2) **Submission to the Community Development Department.** The Main Street Kent Public Art Advisory Board must submit written notification of the recommendation of approval of all public art. The written notification must include the following information:
 - (a) Approved rendering of the public art and its size specifications/dimensions;
 - (b) Address of the property where the public art is to be displayed and located; and
 - (c) Documentation of consent from the property owner for the display and location of the public art.

- (3) **Fine Arts Permit.** The Zoning Inspector must issue a permit for the display of the public art after verifying:
 - (a) The public art does not contain a logo, image, insignia, trademark, or any similar component that will categorize it as a sign, subject to the sign regulations of this Code;
 - (b) The public art does not contain any images, text, or symbolism that can be categorized as obscene as defined by this Code; and
 - (c) The public art is not located on or affixed to the front façade of a building.

- (4) **Appeals.** Any public art applicant may appeal the Main Street Kent Public Art Advisory Board recommendation decision or decision of the Zoning Inspector when issuing a Fine Arts Permit to Kent City Council.