



Date of Council Meeting: August 11, 2015

**TOWN OF LEESBURG
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING**

Subject: Art exhibit by Thomas Ramsay

Staff Contact: Anne D. Geiger, P.E., Commission on Public Art Staff Liaison

Council Action Requested: A decision by Council is needed to approve the next art installation in the Leesburg Town Exhibit Hall.

Staff Recommendation: Staff recommends Town Council approve an art exhibit in the Leesburg Town Exhibit Hall by Thomas Ramsay.

Commission Recommendation: The Commission on Public Art endorses the art exhibit by Thomas Ramsay.

Fiscal Impact: None.

Work Plan Impact: None.

Executive Summary: A new art exhibit needs to be approved for the September through November 2015 display.

Background: On September 23, 2008, the Town Council adopted the Leesburg Public Art Guidelines which state that “The Leesburg Town Council has the final authority for Work of Art approval.”

The Commission on Public Art (COPA) has asked Thomas Ramsay to exhibit from September 1, 2015 to November 30, 2015.

The criteria for selecting existing art to be displayed on public property are as follows:

- Quality and Originality: All work is original and created by Thomas Ramsay.
- Suitability: The art is suitable for public display.
- Durability: All art will be displayed indoors.
- Safety and Public Liability: The art weights will be within the limits of the art gallery hardware and will not present a safety hazard.

Attachment: Representative sample of the art to be displayed

Tom Ramsay, Photographer - for approval



PRESENTED August 11, 2015

RESOLUTION NO. _____

ADOPTED _____

A RESOLUTION: APPROVAL OF ART EXHIBIT BY THOMAS RAMSAY IN THE LEESBURG TOWN EXHIBIT HALL

WHEREAS, the Leesburg Town Council supports the Commission on Public Art, established in 2006 (COPA Article XII Section 2-100 of the Leesburg Town Code); and

WHEREAS, the work of the Commission on Public Art encourages and supports art to enhance Leesburg’s identity as a community and to demonstrate that Leesburg values art and creativity within the community; and

WHEREAS, the Commission on Public Art proposes that art by Thomas Ramsay be the next art exhibit in the Leesburg Town Exhibit Hall; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council must endorse all art displayed on public property.

THEREFORE, RESOLVED that the Council of the Town of Leesburg in Virginia hereby endorses this artwork for display September 1, 2015 through November 30, 2015.

PASSED the ____ day of _____, 2015.

Kristen C. Umstattd, Mayor
Town of Leesburg

ATTEST:

Clerk of Council