

City of Detroit

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DEPARTMENT PETITION REFERENCE COMMUNICATION

To: The Department or Commission Listed Below

From: Janice M Winfrey, Detroit City Clerk

The following petition is herewith referred to you for report and recommendation to the City Council.

In accordance with that body's directive, kindly return the same with your report in duplicate within four (4) weeks.

Petition No.	2026-061
Name of Petitioner	Josh Man
Description of Petition	Petition request to speak before the Detroit City Council and present a video in regard to showing how we can improve public parks by adding an area for the arts.
Type of Petition	Speak Before Council
Submission Date	04/07/2026
Concerned Departments	City Council, City Clerk
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I want to show a video at city council showing how we can improve public parks by adding an area for the arts. By working proactive, I have helped keep roughly 2000 peices of graffit and art contained and off Public/city property. Large scale murals are displayed city wide for all to enjoy. These hand picked, elite artist were chosen because of their exelent

talent and skill. Where can the kids and other artist practice so one day they might be selected for large scale work? We display the art city wide but have no places for locals, young artist and student to practice in a safe and designated space. The current options are mostly illegal. During the Ex prosecutor turned mayor made street art a felony all while he supported the artistic expression in places like eastern market and other

Places. He had DPD put together
a graffiti task force to punish local and
visiting artists.

- ① How much of the city's money
Does the task force use?
- ② How much does that task force
make back in fines charged.
- ③ How many arrests are ~~made~~ made
annually?
- ④ How do we work together in
a pro active not reactive way?
- ⑤ the money budgeted for task
force can be used for Park development
for artists.

Aerosol art is in every city, almost,
at this point and is going nowhere.

Detroit should be one of the first cities

to adapt to current trends and
create safe places for people to
practice and explore their ~~gifts~~ gifts
and talents. This is a nother way to
set our city apart from others, showing
we are supporters of the arts and
trying to solve a problem that other
cities nation wide deal with. Stop
turning artist into criminals.

Support the arts period.

I own a 1.5 acre park for
the arts and want to

Show case it to my city leaders.

Hopefully they can see the positive

contribution this is for the community and

can consider implimenting this into

public spaces.

my park instagram is C4.detroit