



Atlanta Regional Commission



BOARD MEETING SUMMARY

February 27, 2019

ARC Board Approves Arts, Culture, and Creative Placemaking Plan

The board voted unanimously to adopt ARC's Arts, Culture, and Creative Placemaking Plan. The plan builds upon ARC's existing arts and culture work ([ALMA](#), [Regional Public Art Program](#), [Cultural Forums](#)) to identify goals, explore new priorities and create a cohesive strategy to relate arts and culture to ARC's mission. More fundamentally, the plan clarifies ARC's role in the region in supporting arts and culture and identifying ways in which the agency is uniquely positioned to be impactful in this work.

- [ARC News Release](#)

ARC Board Adopts Resolution Opposing Proposed State Legislation Regarding Building Design Standards

The ARC Board voted to approve a resolution opposing HB 302 and SB 172, which would prevent cities and counties from adopting or enforcing standards related to building design for one- or two-family homes.

- [HB 302 – Summary and details](#)
- [AJC story](#)

New ARC Citizen Member Sworn In

Alex Wan was sworn in after being elected by a caucus of public board members to represent Citizen District 4, which includes portions of the city of Atlanta and Fulton County. Wan is Executive Director of [Horizons Atlanta](#) and served two terms on the Atlanta City Council. He also has served on the boards of Invest Atlanta, Leadership DeKalb, Little Five Points Community Improvement District, Piedmont Park Conservancy, Olmsted Linear Park Alliance, and the Organization of Chinese Americans GA.

Student Leaders Present Ideas to Board

Graduates of the 2018-2019 Model Atlanta Regional Commission class gave a presentation to the board. The class of 46 high school sophomores and juniors, representing all 10 ARC member counties, were divided into teams throughout the six-month program. Each team researched a particular issue in a specific community, and representatives from each of the project teams presented their findings to board members.

MARC participants met at several different locations throughout the course of the program and learned leadership skills while also discussing topics relevant to ARC's core issues. Applications are now being accepted for the 2019-2020 MARC class. Learn more at www.atlantaregional.org/marc.

Announcements and References

- The application process is open for the 2019 Regional Leadership Institute. Learn more: www.atlantaregional.org/rli.
- The ARC board will gather for our annual Work Session April 11-12 at the Atlanta Motor Speedway in Hampton.
- This year's LINK trip will take place May 15-18 in Pittsburgh, a resilient and innovative region that offers many lessons for metro Atlanta.
- ARC's 2019 State of the Region Breakfast will take place on Friday, Nov. 8 at the Georgia World Congress Center.

The next ARC Committee Day is Thursday, March 14, 2019.

The next ARC Board meeting is Wednesday, March 27 at 1 p.m.