

To The North Kingstown Town Council,

The Wickford Art Association would like to extend its sincerest thanks to the Town Council Members for voting in favor of our lease change. Your vote has allowed us to move forward with the planning of our facility and the infinite possibilities it will provide this community. In our case, our mission is to enhance the Town of North Kingstown and beyond by providing a state of the art Arts and Cultural Center to better the lives of our members, the residents of North Kingstown , and those who venture to visit our facility. Based on an economic analysis done by Dr. Edinaldo Tebaldi , stating that 12.8 million dollars will be produced by such a facility over the next 25 years, and based on the personal lives we touch in any given year, we know that you have made a wise choice.

We are taking into account many things as we thoughtfully move forward: the feasibility study we had conducted by Partners in Philanthropy, public sentiment, and the fact that this is election season. We know there is a lot of pressure on candidates right now who are pursuing re-election or election and plenty of Town business that needs tending to. We want the public to know that we have heard their concerns and are addressing them. We have decided to continue our valued engineering process and design development. Considering the holidays come right after this election, we will not approach the Council until January at which time we hope to present our plan and seek approval to move forward with our project.

We wish the candidates the very best as they seek out election to serve this community and we look forward to seeing you in January.

Sincerely,

Wickford Art Association Board of Directors and
Sarah Tallarico; Executive Director, Wickford Art Association