



Department Source: Cultural Affairs

To: City Council

From: City Manager & Staff

Council Meeting Date: August 6, 2018

Re: CPD North Municipal Service Center Percent for Art project artist agreement

Executive Summary

The Columbia Police Department North Municipal Service Center was designated as a Percent for Art Project by City Council in January 2018. The Standing Committee on Public Art chose Beth Nybeck to create site-specific public art for the CPD North Municipal Service Center project. The artist selection was approved by the Commission on Cultural Affairs at its June 11, 2018 meeting. The Committee and the Commission are now seeking City Council approval on the contract agreement so the artist can begin work on the design proposal.

Discussion

The Commission on Cultural Affairs has unanimously approved the Standing Committee on Public Art's recommendation of Beth Nybeck as the chosen artist for the Columbia Police Department North Municipal Service Center project. Ms. Nybeck was selected from four Missouri-based artists finalists who were interviewed by the Standing Committee on Public Art in June.

Ms. Nybeck is a professional public artist, who has previously completed a successful Percent for Art project at the Short Street Parking Garage. In addition, she has completed large-scale public art commissions across the country, from New Jersey to California, as well as many sculptures completed in Missouri and the surrounding states. Ms. Nybeck holds a Bachelor of Fine Arts from the University of Northern Iowa. She has also been featured in numerous nationwide exhibitions.

For this selection process, the Standing Committee was expanded to include three project-specific members, including staff from the Public Works and Police Departments as well as a design expert associated with the project. The Standing Committee and the Commission on Cultural Affairs will continue to work with the Office of Cultural Affairs as the design concept is proposed.

To advance the project forward, Council approval is needed to authorize the City Manager to execute a contract with the artist. Once the contract is signed, Ms. Nybeck will start work on a design proposal. Her design will go through the same approval process as this artist selection has: from the Standing Committee to the Commission to the City Council.

Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: The total amount for the Columbia Police Department North Municipal Service Center Percent for Art project is \$72,625. Of those funds, \$61,730 are set aside for the artist's commission. This includes construction, fabrication and installation. \$7,263 is set aside



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for lifetime maintenance, and \$3,632 for administration. No staff salaries are paid from Percent for Art funds. Any administrative dollars left at the close of the project will revert to the maintenance fund.

Long-Term Impact: None

Strategic & Comprehensive Plan Impact

[Strategic Plan Impacts:](#)

Primary Impact: Economy, Secondary Impact: Public Safety, Tertiary Impact: Social Equity

[Comprehensive Plan Impacts:](#)

Primary Impact: Economic Development, Secondary Impact: Livable and Sustainable Communities, Tertiary Impact: Inter-Governmental Cooperation

Legislative History

Date	Action
1/2/18	City Council designated CPD North Municipal Service Center as Percent for Art project

Suggested Council Action

Council motion approving the contract agreement with artist Beth Nybeck.