



Department Source: Cultural Affairs
To: City Council
From: City Manager & Staff
Council Meeting Date: October 4, 2021
Re: Public Art Component – Fire Station No. 11

Executive Summary

Staff has prepared for Council consideration a resolution authorizing city staff to begin developing the public art component for Fire Station No. 11.

Discussion

Planning for the city's new fire station, Fire Station No. 11, is underway, and the project has a budget that meets the Percent for Art ordinance requirement of at least \$1 million. Given that the Percent for Art ordinance specifically lists capital improvement projects like a fire station as ideal for public art, staff is recommending that Council authorize staff to begin developing the public art component for the new building project.

At its September 13, 2021 meeting, the Commission on Cultural Affairs made a motion to support the project being designated as a Percent for Art project. Budget estimates for the new fire station are still preliminary, but city staff reports that the facility construction project is estimated to cost \$2,138,704. That would allow for a Percent for Art budget of \$21,171, which has been included in the FY22 budget process. After setting aside some funds for basic administration costs (not including staff salaries) and implementing a search for an artist, as well as for establishing a long-term maintenance fund (generally 10% of the 1%), approximately \$17,000 would be available for art at the site.

If the project is designated by Council, staff will schedule work with the city's Standing Committee on Public Art and the Commission on Cultural Affairs to initiate the project with the appropriate timing. As per the ordinance, Council will remain involved throughout each project via reports from the Commission and with final approval of artist selection and design concept.

Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: Percent for Art for the fire station is budgeted within the overall project, so it is already incorporated into the costs for capital improvement. The total amount for the Percent for Art project will be \$21,171. Of those funds, \$17,000 will be set aside for the artist's commission. This includes construction, fabrication and installation. \$2,121 will be set aside for lifetime maintenance and \$1,050 for administration. \$1,000 is set aside for project contingency, with any leftover dollars to revert to maintenance fund. 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: N/A



Strategic & Comprehensive Plan Impact

Strategic Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Reliable Infrastructure, Secondary Impact: Resilient Economy, Tertiary Impact: Not Applicable

Comprehensive Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Livable & Sustainable Communities, Secondary Impact: Infrastructure, Tertiary Impact: Economic Development

Legislative History

Date	Action
N/A	None

Suggested Council Action

Adoption of the resolution authorizing city staff to begin developing the public art component for the new airport terminal.