

City of Columbia 701 East Broadway, Columbia, Missouri 65201

Department Source: Cultural Affairs To: City Council From: City Manager & Staff Council Meeting Date: May 3, 2021 Re: Bus Shelter Art Project

Executive Summary

In the coming months, the Office of Cultural Affairs and Public Works departments intend to address the new bus shelter installed on Worley Street across from the Health Department with artwork. In advance of that, a contract with the artist needs to be executed.

Discussion

During the spring semester of 2014, student groups in the University of Missouri's Architectural Studies, Sustainable Technologies class developed and proposed new designs for bus shelters for the city's public transit system. The resulting seven designs were presented to the public to vote and a presentation, including the winning project, was presented during the pre-Council meeting held on July 21, 2014.

The selected design has recently been manufactured by the Public Works department and installed on Worley Street across from the Health Department. The new shelter has a front panel, facing the street, reserved for public artwork to be painted. With the assistance of the Office of Cultural Affairs, a bus shelter art project call to artists took place in spring 2021. The same guidelines and selection process that have been used in the city's Traffic Box Art program were used for this project.



Installed bus shelter. Artwork to be installed on panel on far left.



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Mid-Missouri artist Adrienne Luther has been selected by the city's Standing Committee on Public Art for her design concept. She has worked as a freelance illustrator and designer, and has a background teaching art and design. Adrienne Luther's design has been approved by the Standing Committee on Public Art. The design was also recommended by the Commission on Cultural Affairs at its April 12, 2021 meeting. Pending Council approval, Adrienne Luther will execute a contract and will undertake the actual execution of the artwork proposed, likely starting in May, weather depending. Program guidelines stipulate the materials to be used. The sealant is an anti-graffiti product. The guidelines for the project also state that the final design may not be used to promote a business, product or viewpoint, and should not mimic or take the style of graffiti.

Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: \$2,000 from Public Works. Funds already appropriated. Long-Term Impact: Minimal maintenance cost covered by the City.

Vision & Strategic Plan Impact

Strategic Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Public Safety, Secondary Impact: Economy, 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
	Standing Committee on Public Art recommended Adrienne Luther's bus shelter art design proposal.
4/12/21	Commission on Cultural Affairs recommended acceptance of Adrienne Luther's bus shelter art design proposal.

Suggested Council Action

Approve this legislation.