



Legislation Text

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AGENDA CAPTION:

Hold discussion regarding the Arts Commission Recommendation Resolution 2023-02RR, selection of artist and design for Ramon Lucio Park; and provide direction to the City Manager.

Meeting date: June 6, 2023

Department: Destination Services

Amount & Source of Funding

Funds Required: \$75,000

Account Number: 12024226 56006

Funds Available: \$75,000

Account Name: Public Art

Fiscal Note:

Prior Council Action: N/A

City Council Strategic Initiative: [Please select from the dropdown menu below]

Quality of Life & Sense of Place

N/A

N/A

Comprehensive Plan Element (s): [Please select the Plan element(s) and Goal # from dropdown menu below]

- ☐ Economic Development - Choose an item.
- ☐ Environment & Resource Protection - Choose an item.
- ☐ Land Use - Choose an item.
- ☐ Neighborhoods & Housing - Choose an item.
- ☒ Parks, Public Spaces & Facilities - Choose an item.
- ☐ Transportation - Choose an item.
- ☐ Core Services
- ☐ Not Applicable

Master Plan: *[Please select the corresponding Master Plan from the dropdown menu below (if applicable)]*

Arts Master Plan

Background Information:

The Arts Commission has selected Houston Artist Shane Allbritton's submitted design for the Ramon Lucio Park public art project. She was one of three finalists to be selected for further evaluation out of more than sixty submissions to a nationwide call for artist qualifications.

Though the call was distributed nationwide, it was publicized locally with two of the finalists coming from Texas.

The three finalists were paid a stipend to create their designs and present them in a public forum in February of 2023. Arts Commissioners and public commentators alike appreciated the design's iconic form and eye pleasing colors - not to mention its ease of maintenance.

Allbritton also has work on display on the Texas State Campus: "Vessels," the large outdoor sculpture depicting canoes outside of Elena Zamora O'Shea Hall (formerly San Gabriel Hall).

Council Committee, Board/Commission Action:

October 2021: Received consensus from Parks & Rec Advisory Board to place public art at the Ramon Lucio Park location; July 20, 2022: Request for artist qualifications finalists selected by Arts Commission; April 19, 2023: Final selection on artist by Arts Commission

Alternatives:

N/A

Recommendation:

Staff recommends formal Council selection of Shane Allbritton's design for the Ramon Lucio Park public art project and