



STAFF REPORT
2/17/2021

TO: Planning Commission Chair and Commissioners
FROM: Gabriel Martin, Economic Development Director
SUBJECT: Angel of the Valley Art Mural Installation

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the Planning Commission review and approve the proposed Angel of the Valley art mural project and recommend to City Council an award of sponsorship for the installation in the amount of \$10,000 for the City of Coachella's Art in Public Place Program.

BACKGROUND:

On January 1, 2011, the City Council approved Ordinance No. 1034 establishing an Art in Public Places Program and implementing a new development impact fee for certain new construction, remodeling and reconstruction of public art installations. The purpose of the Art in Public Places ordinance is to develop and maintain a visual arts program for the residents and visitors of Coachella, to add to the economic vitality of the community, and to enhance the environment and unique character of Coachella by providing for the acquisition and maintenance of quality works of public art.

DISCUSSION/ANALYSIS:

The Applicant, Mr. Pedro Salcido, is requesting to install a new public art mural exhibition at 1515 Sixth Street, the City of Coachella's Old Engineering Department Building. The new art mural will be installed next to the existing "Coachella Wings" art mural. The art mural will be install by artist Maxxer from the City of Anaheim.

Proposed location of Angel of the Valley art installation (facing 6th Street)



This sponsorship will diversify our existing public arts program and bring additional national/international recognition to our City, while supporting jobs, generating tax revenue and increasing tourism into the Eastern portion of the Coachella Valley. Due to its significant return on investment, Staff recommends the sponsorship amount of \$10,000.

ALTERNATIVES:

1. Recommend to City Council approval of the sponsorship for the Angel of the Valley art installation.
2. Recommend no action.
3. Provide alternative direction

FISCAL IMPACT:

If the City Council approves the staff recommendation, the \$10,000 will be withdrawn from the Special Revenue Funds (130) – Development Impact Fees for Public Art for the Fiscal Year 2020-2021.

Attachment: Desert Tree Sculpture - Art in Public Places Application

4. Not approve the sponsorship and installation of a new art mural exhibition at 1515 Sixth Street
5. Provide alternative direction

FISCAL IMPACT:

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ATTACHMENT(S):

1. Angel of the Valley – Art in Public Places Application
2. Angel of the Valley Art Mural Presentation