



PARKS, ARTS, RECREATION AND CULTURAL COMMISSION AGENDA REPORT

Meeting Date: September 19, 2023

Subject: Gateway Art

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Initiated by: Staff

Attachment(s): None

Staff Recommendation

Direction from City Council on Gateway Art recommendation

Environmental Review:

Not applicable

Summary/Project Description:

On September 12, 2023, City Council was presented with a recommendation from the previous Public Art Commission to consider the purchase of three sculptures for placement at entrances to the City.

The sculptures “Low-Poly Open Heart (REDI)” measure 5’ x 5’ x 2.5’ and were proposed for three locations: Arboretum Drive/Grant Road, Main Street/First Street and Covington Road/Riverside Drive. The PAC recommended the use of Public Art Funds for the purchase of these sculptures. The cost of each sculpture would be approximately \$20k - \$25k plus any costs for transportation and installation, including construction of concrete pillars to support the sculptures. The proposed locations do not have the City’s standard granite entry marker.

Fiscal Impact:

\$20k - \$25k plus any costs for transportation and installation from the Public Art Fund.

Discussion/Analysis

City Council did not approve the purchase as proposed but provided direction to the PARC to recommend a location to place one Low-Poly Open Heart sculpture. This recommended location should be in an “art deficient” area of the City.