



AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY FORM

PROPOSED MEETING DATE: September 6, 2023
PREPARED BY: Matt Woodard, Director of Public Works
DEPARTMENT: Public Works

AGENDA ITEM DESCRIPTION:

Consideration and possible action to granting members of the Manor Arts Council to restore portions of the Manor Art Park picket fence.

BACKGROUND/SUMMARY:

Over the past several years, there has been significant weather related damage to the Manor Art Park picket fence. This project was initiated as a simple participatory expression of creativity by our Manor citizens. The city paid for the pickets and through a partnership with the Manor Arts Council this project was promoted. The Manor Art Park's pickets were painted by a few of the Manor Independent School District students with oversight by the Manor Arts Council. Since the installation of the fence, weather conditions have affected the material accelerating the fading and decomposition of the paint used on the pickets. The paint was originally supplied by Chroma. Upon the installation of the pickets, it was anticipated that a graffiti-proof Paint/Sealer be applied. It was confirmed through city staff that the sealer was not applied. The Public Works Parks Division personnel sealed the pickets this past spring (March/April).

Manor Art Council representatives have approached the Chroma Paint representative in addition to some University of Texas students with knowledge of paint and characteristics. The original indications of the cost to refurbish the exhibit ranged from \$75,000 to \$90,000. Members of the Manor Arts Council debated this proposal and soon realized that asking the City Council to expend funds from the Hotel Occupancy Tax account. The Manor Arts Council discussed further what action they could take and decided that they could serve as volunteers presenting City Council with a voluntary rehab project. The Chroma representatives have graciously donated the paint to do this work. What the Manor Arts Council (MAC) has envisioned is a part-time effort over several months whereby the members of the MAC would restore section by section using matched paint colors. No new work would be anticipated. In asking to serve as volunteers, MAC members are hopeful to remove any financial obligations for special insurance, etc. MAC would like to preserve the first private/public art project within the city limits and approve the purchase of the Chroma sealant to be applied as each section is completed.

LEGAL REVIEW: Not Applicable
FISCAL IMPACT: No
PRESENTATION: No
ATTACHMENTS: Yes

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

It is the city staff's recommendation that the City Council approve and authorize the Public Works Parks Division to coordinate with the Manor Arts Council to restore and refurbish the Manor Art Park picket fence.

PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION: **Recommend Approval** **Disapproval** **None**