



ARTS COUNCIL STAFF REPORT

Item 3
September 14, 2022
Regular Business

AGENDA ITEM INFORMATION

TITLE:	Aubrey Davis Park Trail Safety Improvement Project 1% for Art in Public Places Opportunities	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discussion Only <input type="checkbox"/> Action Needed: <input type="checkbox"/> Motion <input type="checkbox"/> Ordinance <input type="checkbox"/> Resolution
RECOMMENDED ACTION:	Receive the presentation and discuss next steps for evaluating public art and placemaking elements in the project.	

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EXHIBITS:	1. ADTS Public Art Opportunities

SUMMARY

On June 2, the Arts Council and the Parks & Recreation Commission (PRC) held a [joint meeting](#) and received an update on the 30% design for the Aubrey Davis Park Trail Safety Improvements (ADTS) capital project. The goal of this project is to improve safety and create a more enjoyable experience for all trail and park users, while maintaining the existing character of the park and staying consistent with the Aubrey Davis Park Master Plan. Project improvements focus primarily on low-impact approaches for improvements to a .8-mile trail section from 60th Ave SE to 76th Ave SE along the Mountains to Sound Greenway Trail. The PRC was tasked by City Council, in conjunction with the adoption of the Aubrey Davis Master Plan, to develop a recommendation for a 30% design of the ADTS, while the Arts Council’s primary role is to make a recommendation for use of the project’s 1% for Art in Public Places Fund (1%) contribution.

A central theme of the design process has been that regulatory measures alone will not achieve the desired traffic calming, and public art and placemaking elements have been considered throughout the design process as additional tools for thoughtfully enhancing trail safety. During the joint meeting, the boards discussed opportunities and provided feedback for deploying art and placemaking elements to achieve traffic calming and other project goals.

On Wednesday, staff will present additional public art ideas and considerations (Exhibit 1) provided by KPG Psomas, the firm designing this project. Staff will also share feedback from the PRC regarding public art and placemaking integration. The Arts Council will then evaluate opportunities for integrating public art elements into the ADTS project and next steps for recommending use of 1% funds. The contribution from this project is estimated at approximately \$3,500.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

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