

Arts, Culture & Heritage Commission Staff Report

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Subject: Boones Ferry Park Public Art Project RFQ

Recommended Action:

Review the attached Boones Ferry Park Public Art Project Request for Qualifications (RFQ) Draft. The RFQ will be posted to the public the week of December 9 to begin soliciting artists.

Background:

At the October 18, 2023 ACHC meeting Erika Valentine did a presentation about the Boones Ferry Park Project as it relates to the Boones Ferry Park Master Plan (adopted in 2018). Staff explained why this site was a desirable future location for public art, to which the ACHC motioned to approve staff moving forward on pursuing this. The City's FY 23/24 budget now contains a Public Art CIP with a budget of \$110,000.

The theme for this Public Art Project is "The Essence of the River" based on the language and intent of the site found in the Boones Ferry Masterplan.

When reviewing the RFQ draft, the ACHC should keep in mind that a RFQ is a way to collect applications from artists to evaluate their qualifications for the project. Artists that advance through the process, would be asked to develop a proposal during the later stage request for proposals (RFP) stage.

At the November 20, 2024 ACHC meeting Staff presented the RFQ Draft. There was a discussion on location zones and staff agreed to return to a future meeting (Dec 4, 2024) to re-present the RFQ with updated locations. Following the November 20 meeting, staff sent the ACHC an E-mail about the project and RFQ and again solicited feedback via E-mail.

The intent with the current draft is to not add any additional zones, or remove any – since this was done following the last ACHC meeting. Artists will be able to determine which zone(s) they want to create artwork for. These details can be found in the draft.

Attachments:

Boones Ferry Park Public Art RFQ Draft