

Mayor and Council Communication

DATE: 06/16/20

M&C FILE NUMBER: M&C 20-0383

LOG NAME: 03REBY CARY YOUTH LIBRARY PUBLIC ART PROJECT DONATION

SUBJECT

Accept a Donation in the Amount of \$10,000.00 from Wanda Conlin and Don Boren for the Reby Cary Youth Library Public Art Project, Authorize the Execution of Amendment to an Artwork Commission Agreement with Joe O'Connell Creative Machines, Inc. in the Amount of \$10,000.00, for a Total Contract Amount Up to \$310,662.36, and Adopt Appropriation Ordinance (COUNCIL DISTRICT 8)

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Accept a donation in the amount of \$10,000.00 from Wanda Conlin and Don Boren for the Reby Cary Youth Library Public Art Project;
2. Authorize execution of an amendment to add \$10,000.00 to the Artwork Commission Agreement with Joe O'Connell Creative Machines, Inc. (City Secretary Contract No. 53467) for a total contract amount up to \$310,662.36; and
3. Adopt the attached Appropriation Ordinance increasing estimated receipts and appropriations in the Special Donations Capital Projects Fund in the amount of \$10,000.00 for the Reby Cary Youth Library Public Art Project (City Project No. 101164).

DISCUSSION:

Longtime East Fort Worth residents, Ms. Wanda Conlin and Mr. Don Boren, are true community leaders, serving on various commissions for the City of Fort Worth as well as the West Meadowbrook Neighborhood Association and the East Fort Worth Business Association. Together, they attended every public meeting for the 2014 Bond Program to advocate for a new library on East Lancaster Avenue. They were active participants in the development of the *East Lancaster Corridor Public Art Master Plan* by artist Jack Mackie. Ms. Conlin and Mr. Boren currently serve as Project Core Team members for the Reby Cary Youth Library Public Art Project and now wish to fulfill their generous pledge of \$10,000.00 to support the fabrication of the artwork.

Only Connect is an interactive, multi-faceted artwork designed by Joe O'Connell Creative Machines, Inc. specifically to engage youth ages 0 – 18 years old at the Reby Cary Youth Library (formerly referred to as the Eastside Family Library). Echoing connections between neurons as the brain learns, individuals within a community, and subjects within the library from art history to comics, O'Connell's immersive artwork makes the process of learning through connections an ever-evolving visual experience.

On December 17, 2019 (M&C 19-0391), City Council authorized execution of an Artwork Commission Agreement with Joe O'Connell Creative Machines, Inc. (City Secretary Contract No. 53467) in an amount of up to \$300,662.36.

Funding for the project has been allocated from the from the 2014 Bond Program, Proposition 3, adopted by the Fort Worth City Council on October 21, 2014 (M&C G-18339). Additional funding for the project was included in the *Fund Reprogramming Plans from the 2007 Critical Capital Needs Program and the 2008 Bond Program*, adopted by the Fort Worth City Council on June 26, 2018 (M&C G-19323). The project was included in the *Fort Worth Public Art Fiscal Year 2020 Annual Work Plan*, adopted by the Fort Worth City Council on April 7, 2020 (M&C 20-0204).

PROJECT BUDGET	AMOUNT	CONTRACT
Project Management	\$38,392.00	
First Finalist Interview Agreements (Selection Process 1)	\$1,239.50	CSC #50322, 50323, 50324 Completed 04/23/2018
First Preliminary Design (Manferdini – did not result in a Design)	\$24,826.14	CSC #50781 Contract Terminated for Cause 08/17/2018
Second Finalist Proposal Agreements	\$6,300.00	CSC #51524, 51509, 51489, 51490

(Selection Process 2)		Completed 2/6/2019
Preliminary Design (O'Connell)	\$15,095.00	CSC #52131 Completed 6/27/2019
Final Design (O'Connell)	\$39,212.00	CSC #52519 Completed 10/1/2019
Commission and Contingency	\$300,662.36	M&C 19-0391
Commission	\$10,000.00	This M&C
TOTAL	\$435,727.00	

This project is included in the 2014 Bond Program. Available resources within the General Fund will be used to provide interim financing until debt is issued. Once debt associated with the project is sold, bond proceeds will reimburse the General Fund in accordance with the statement expressing official Intent to Reimburse that was adopted as part of the ordinance canvassing the bond election (Ordinance No. 21241-05-2014) and subsequent actions taken by the Mayor and Council.

Funding Sources and Amounts are shown in the table below:

FUNDING SOURCES	AMOUNT
2014 Bond Program, Proposition 3 (M&C G-18339)	\$65,000.00
Reprogrammed Funding from 2008 Bond Program (M&C G-19323)	\$264,230.00
Reprogrammed Funding from 2007 CCN (M&C G-19323)	\$96,497.00
Wanda Conlin and Don Boren (This M&C)	\$10,000.00
TOTAL	\$435,727.00

M/WBE OFFICE - The City's overall M/WBE goal for the Fort Worth Public Art Program is 25 percent of total capital project dollars expended on public art annually.

Council Member Kelly Allen Gray concurs with the acceptance of this donation for the Reby Cary Youth Library Public Art Project.

This project is located in COUNCIL DISTRICT 8 but serves the entire City.

A Form 1295 is not required because: This M&C does not request approval of a contract with a business entity.

FISCAL INFORMATION / CERTIFICATION:

The Director of Finance certifies upon the approval of the above recommendations, funds will be available in the Special Donations Capital Projects Fund for Public Art, as appropriated. Prior to an expenditure being incurred, the Planning & Data Analytics Department has the responsibility to verifying the availability of funds.

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