

Memorandum

TO: ARTS COMMISSION

FROM: Paul Krutko

SUBJECT: SEE BELOW

DATE: March 8, 2007

Council District: 4

**SUBJECT: SELECTION OF ARTIST TEAM MARTA PERLAS AND KIPP
KOBAYASHI FOR FIRE STATION #19 PUBLIC ART PROJECT**

RECOMMENDATION

Recommend that the City Manager negotiate and execute an agreement with artists Marta Perlas and Kipp Kobayashi to develop a design proposal for an artwork for Fire Station #19 public art project for an amount not to exceed \$14,500.

BACKGROUND

In accordance with the *Master Plan for Public Art 2000-2005*, adopted by City Council on February 20, 2001, the Public Art Program strives to develop artworks that enhance the City and make it a lively, attractive place to live, work, and visit. One area of particular study during the planning process was artworks associated with capital improvement projects for public safety facilities.

With the passage of the Public Safety Bond Measures in March 2002, the City of San José is building or upgrading public safety municipal facilities. A 2% public art budget was established as part of the project budget process.

A \$112,750 budget for public art has been identified as part of the capital project (\$16,750 for administration; \$14,500 for design; and \$73,500 for fabrication and installation).

ANALYSIS

In March 2006 the Arts Commission approved a selection panel's recommendation of a pool of pre-qualified artists for the bond-funded facilities, from which artists would be selected as new projects developed. This pre-qualified pool of artists is consistently updated as artists are depleted from the pool either by being chosen for a project or expiring after a period of three years.

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On February 15, 2007 a Public Art Core Team (PACT) composed of stakeholders including community members, the project architect, a Fire Department representative and a local artist met to review artists' materials from the pre-approved pool with the purpose of selecting an artist to develop a design for the Fire Station #19 art project. The PACT recommended artists Marta Perlas and Kipp Kobayashi to develop a design proposal for Fire Station #19. On February 20, 2007, the Public Art Committee reviewed and approved this recommendation.

PUBLIC OUTREACH

The following community meetings were held in facilitating the visioning, artist selection and design review for this project:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Purpose</u>
11/28/2006	Sierramont Middle School	Visioning
2/14/07	Berryessa Branch Library	PACT Artist Review and Recommendation
2/20/07	City Hall	Public Art Committee Artist Recommendation Approval

BUDGET REFERENCE

Fund #	Appn #	Appn Name	RC #	Total Appn	Amt. For Contract	2006-2007 Adopted Budget Page	Last Budget Action
475	4552	Public Art—Fire Bond Project	138204	\$572,000	\$14,500	Appendix A, Page 1	06-07 App. Ord., Sec. 33.01

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Not a project.



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