



Office of the City Manager

CONSENT CALENDAR
April 20, 2021

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council
 From: Dee Williams-Ridley, City Manager
 Submitted by: Eleanor Hollander, Acting Economic Development Manager
 Subject: Contract No. 32100022 Amendment: Michael Arcega for San Pablo Park
 Measure T1 Public Art Commission

RECOMMENDATION

Adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute an amendment to Contract No. 32100022 with Michael Arcega for additional artwork elements costing up to \$9,936 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$219,936. This is for the public art commission project located at San Pablo Park and funded by Measure T1.

FISCAL IMPACTS OF RECOMMENDATION

Funding for the contract amendment will come from project contingency funds held in the Measure T1 Public Art Fund 511.

CURRENT SITUATION AND ITS EFFECTS

The original scope of work in the artist's contract called for a variety of artwork elements including the fabrication of 25 flower silhouettes to be installed at the chain link fence at the children's play area at San Pablo Park. The silhouettes were to be mounted with low profile backing hardware on the fence, which would be safe yet visible on the back side of the artwork. The artist proposes a change to produce duplicate flower silhouettes in order to sandwich mount the flower elements to the chain link fence, which would allow the artwork to look the same from both sides of the fence. The artist also proposes a change to produce full color signage that will include a key to the flower types that are featured in the artwork. This signage was not included in the original scope of work. The Civic Arts Program does provide standard artwork identification signage, but the format of the standard signage is limited to the artwork title, artist name and a brief description of the artwork, but what is proposed would provide additional educational and artistic enhancement to the public art work.

BACKGROUND

The City released a Request for Qualifications for public art associated with two Measure T1 projects (San Pablo Park and North Berkeley Senior Center) on September 11, 2018. The City received 42 applications and selected Michael Arcega's proposal to create a series of unique colorful metal benches and a variety of wall and fence mounted elements for San Pablo Park based upon the silhouettes of local flowering

plants. On December 20, 2019, the City entered into contract with Michael Arcega for an amount not to exceed \$210,000 for design development, structural engineering, fabrication, and installation of the proposed artwork at San Pablo Park. The original contract included a contingency of \$9,945. From this amount, \$3,456 was used to cover the cost of a thicker metal for the fabrication of the artwork elements. This left a balance on the contract contingency of \$6,489. The proposed change order for the duplication of the fence mounted flower silhouettes and to add the flower legend signage totals \$16,425. When the contract contingency balance is applied to this cost, it leaves a shortfall of \$9,936. This contract amendment will cover the shortfall to allow for the proposed project improvements. The funds will come from available project contingency being held in the Measure T1 Public Art Funds.

ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY

There are no identifiable environmental effects or opportunities associated with the content of this report.

RATIONALE FOR RECOMMENDATION

This contract amendment allows the artist to implement an improved public art project for San Pablo Park including a more refined solution for attaching the flower silhouettes to the chain link fence, and provides an enhanced interpretive sign which will allow the public to more thoroughly engage with the artwork.

ALTERNATIVE ACTIONS CONSIDERED

None.

CONTACT PERSON

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Attachments:

1: Resolution

RESOLUTION NO. ##,###-N.S.

CONTRACT NO. 32100022 AMENDMENT: MICHAEL ARCEGA FOR SAN PABLO
PARK MEASURE T1 PUBLIC ART COMMISSION

WHEREAS, in 2018 the City issued a Request for Qualifications for public artwork associated with Phase One of the Measure T1 Bond Program, and Michael Arcega was selected to create public art at San Pablo Park; and

WHEREAS, on December 20, 2019, the City Manager authorized Contract No. 32100022 with Michael Arcega for an amount not to exceed \$210,000 for design development, structural engineering, fabrication, and installation of the proposed artwork at San Pablo Park; and

WHEREAS, the artist proposed additions to the public art project for San Pablo Park including a more refined solution for attaching the flower silhouettes to the chain link fence and an interpretive sign which will allow the public to more thoroughly engage with the artwork for an additional cost of \$9,936; and

WHEREAS, funding for the contract amendment will come from project contingency funds held in the Measure T1 Public Art Fund 511.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Berkeley that the City Manager is authorized to execute an amendment to Contract No. 32100022 with Michael Arcega for additional artwork elements costing up to \$9,936 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$219,936. A record signature copy of the contract and any amendments to be on file in the City Clerk Department.

