

## AGENDA



Thursday, June 5, 2008

**Economic Growth & Redevelopment Services  
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION****Item No. 15**

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**Subject:** Approve an ordinance authorizing the acceptance of \$100,000 in funds and amending the Fiscal Year 2007-2008 Economic Growth and Redevelopment Services Office Capital Budget of Ordinance No. 20070910-004 to appropriate \$100,000 for the Pfluger Bridge Art Project. **Amount and Source of Funding:** Funding is available for Public Art from Gables Realty pursuant to the Park Plaza Master Agreement.

**Fiscal Note:** A fiscal note is attached.

**For More Information:** Megan Crigger, Art in Public Places Administrator / EGRSO / 974-9312; Greg Kiloh, Project Manager / EGRSO / 974-7836; Vincent Kitch, Cultural Arts Program Manager / EGRSO / 974-9310

**Boards and Commission Action:** Recommended by the Austin Arts Commission and Art in Public Places Panel.

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Under the terms of the Gables Park Plaza Master Agreement between the City and LG Lamar Limited Partnership and LG Park Plaza Limited Partnerships also known as Gables Construction, Inc. (Gables), dated June 30, 2006, Gables will contribute up to \$100,000 toward public art to be installed in Sand Beach Park at Lamar and Cesar Chavez in the largest contiguous park tract.

The City used a competitive selection process and chose artists Rosario Marquardt and Roberto Behar with R&R Studios (Miami, FL) to create a social sculpture and functional space to be located in Sand Beach Park. The artwork is entitled "The Austin Outdoor Room." The artwork functions like an outdoor dining room for the community and consists of a long table with a delicate lace tablecloth made from perforated, water-jet cut aluminum, six permanent aluminum seats and four oversized lamps. The work will be permanently located on top of the oval mound within the park, and will be maintained by Gables.