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Recommendation for Council Action

Austin City Council	Item ID	27288	Agenda Number	20.
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Meeting Date:	9/26/2013	Department:	Economic Development Department
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Subject

Authorize negotiation and execution of a design and commission agreement with Eric Eley for artwork for the Spirit of Austin Lane Cell Phone Waiting Area Project at the Austin Bergstrom International Airport, in an amount not to exceed \$355,000.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding in the amount of \$355,000 is available in the Fiscal Year 2012-2013 Capital Budget of the Aviation Department.

Fiscal Note

A fiscal note is attached.

Purchasing Language:	
Prior Council Action:	
For More Information:	Kevin Johns, Director / EDD, 974-7802; Meghan Wells, AIPP Administrator / EDD, 974-9314
Boards and Commission Action:	August 19, 2013- Recommended by the Austin Arts Commission on a vote of 5-1 with Commissioner Auebach opposed and Commissioner Tinnon absent.
MBE / WBE:	
Related Items:	

Additional Backup Information

PROJECT SUMMARY

The City of Austin Art in Public Places program of the Cultural Arts Division, Economic Development Department sought to commission a professional visual artist to design and create artwork for the Spirit of Austin Lane Cell Phone Waiting Area project at Austin-Bergstrom International Airport.

A Request for Qualifications (RFQ) was issued on April 15, 2013 to professional visual artists and artist teams, at least 18 years of age, who live in the State of Texas. The selection panel met with advisors on July 9, 2013 to review the 38 eligible responses submitted by the advertised deadline including images of past work, resume, and letter of interest.

The selection panel and advisors selected three finalists for interviews on July 26, 2013: Eric Eley of Dallas, Tom Orr and Frances Bagley of Dallas, and Zachary Coffin of Austin. On July 26, the selection panel unanimously voted for Eric Eley as finalist and Tom Orr and Francis Bagley as alternate.

SELECTION PANEL

Debra Broz, Visual Artist and Manager of Pump Project

Cameron Campbell, Project Designer at Ten Eyck Landscape Architects

Eric Baczuk, Interaction Designer at frog design

PROJECT ADVISORS

Robert Hengst, Project Manager, Aviation Dept.

Matt Coldwell, Exhibitions Coordinator, Aviation Dept.

Carolyn Kelly, Landscape Architect