

Recommendation for Council Action

Austin City Council Item ID 58805 Agenda Number 29.

Meeting Date: 8/18/2016 Department: Economic Development

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Authorize revisions to Cultural Arts Program Exhibition Series Guidelines for Austin City Hall.

Amount and Source of Funding

N/A

Fiscal Note

N/A

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Purchasing Language:	N/A
Prior Council Action:	Original Resolution No. 050217-28, which was instituted on 2/17/2005, with revisions approved by City Council, December 11, 2014 (Resolution No. 20141211-030)
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Additional Backup Information

The Austin City Hall Exhibition Series, also known as *The People's Gallery*, has exhibited almost 1,300 artists over the past twelve years, and averages approximately 50% new artists exhibiting each year. The exhibition series provides opportunities for local artists to exhibit their works on city property and for citizens and tourists to experience Austin's arts and culture in the City's premiere public facility. Staff periodically reviews the program guidelines and recommends changes for more effective or efficient operation of the City Hall Exhibition Series.

On February 17, 2005, the Council approved Resolution No. 050217-28 adopting the mission statement and guidelines for the Austin City Hall Artists' Exhibition Program.

On December 11th, 2014, City Council adopted Resolution number 20141211-030, accepting the revised mission statement relating to the Austin City Hall Artists Exhibition Program and the Cultural Arts Program Exhibition Series Guidelines for Austin City Hall.

The current proposed revisions extend the region of applicant eligibility to Blanco and Burnet counties; apply the City's abandoned property provision, pursuant to 1992 Code Section 10-3-1, Chapter 9.1, to any artwork left past the loan term; and modify the People's Choice artwork purchase policy to reflect that artworks may be sited at City Hall or other City facilities.