



**Art in Public Places  
CITY OF AUSTIN  
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION**

**AGENDA ITEM NO.: 3  
AGENDA DATE: Thu 10/07/2004  
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**SUBJECT:** Authorize negotiation and execution of an artwork commission contract with Adrienne Isom, Austin, TX, for a bas-relief mural for the East Seventh Street Wall Project located in front of Huston-Tillotson College in an amount of \$60,000.

**AMOUNT & SOURCE OF FUNDING:** Funding in the amount of \$50,000 is available in the Fiscal Year 2003-2004 Amended Capital Budget of Public Works Department and funding in the amount of \$10,000 is available in the Fiscal Year 2003-2004 Approved Capital Budget of the Neighborhood, Planning and Zoning Department.

**FISCAL NOTE:** A fiscal note is attached.

**REQUESTING** Economic Growth and **DIRECTOR'S**  
**DEPARTMENT:** Redevelopment Services **AUTHORIZATION:** Sue Edwards

**FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:** Vincent Kitch, Cultural Arts Program Manager - 974-9310; Megan Weiler, AIPP Administrator - 974-9312

**PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:** N/A

**BOARD AND COMMISSION ACTION:** Recommended by the Art in Public Places Panel and the Arts Commission.

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The purpose of this action is to approve the negotiation and execution of an artwork commission contract not to exceed \$60,000 with Adrienne Isom of Austin for a bas-relief mural for the East Seventh Street Wall Project located in front of Huston-Tillotson College. This artwork project is a Neighborhood Enhancement Project initiated by OCEAN (Organization of Central East Austin Neighborhoods) through the Neighborhood, Planning and Zoning Department. Since the project consists of public art, the Economic Growth and Redevelopment Services' Art in Public Places Program will assume contract management. This authorization will be combined with a FY2005 cultural contracts authorization, previously approved for this project.

**SELECTION PROCESS SUMMARY & SELECTION PANEL RECOMMENDATION**

The Organization of Central East Austin Neighborhoods (OCEAN), who initiated the project on the East Seventh Street wall, facilitated the artist selection process. On November 25, 2002, OCEAN and Huston-Tillotson College issued a Request for Proposals locally via direct mailings and press releases. An Artists Information Meeting was held on Saturday, December 7, 2002 to inform artists of the project. On March 21, 2003, the OCEAN Selection Panel and Advisors reviewed proposals submitted by four artists and artist teams. The seven member Selection Panel voted to recommend Adrienne Isom for commission of artwork that would be presented to the City of Austin as a donation once the artwork is completed.



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**ART IN PUBLIC PLACES ACTION**

On July 14, 2004, Art in Public Places Panel recommended entering into a design contract with Adrienne Isom, contingent upon approval of funding by City Council. Final artwork design would be subject to AIPP Panel and Arts Commission approval.

**AUSTIN ARTS COMMISSION ACTION**

On August 16, 2004, Austin Arts Commission approved the selection process and artist; and recommended entering into a design contract with Adrienne Isom, contingent upon approval of funding by the City Council. Final artwork design would be subject to AIPP Panel and Arts Commission approval.

**OCEANS SELECTION PANELISTS (Voting)**

- Mary Ashford- Huston-Tillotson
- Cletus Johnson- Huston-Tillotson
- Tomas Patin- Tomas Patin Studio
- Jimmy Butler- OCEAN
- Linda Johnston- OCEAN
- Rudy Green - Academia Atzlan
- Gloria Morino- business owner, neighborhood representative

**ADVISORS (Non-Voting)**

- Sandy Frasier, representative from Council Member Thomas' office
- Laura Patlove, Neighborhood, Planning and Zoning Department, COA

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Fiscal Note**

**DATE OF COUNCIL CONSIDERATION:**  
**WHERE ON AGENDA:**  
**DEPARTMENT:**

**9/2/2004**  
**Resolution:**  
**EGRSC**

**DESCRIPTION:** Authorize negotiation and execution of an artwork commission contract with Adrienne Isom, Austin, TX, for a bas-relief mural for the East Seventh Street Wall Project located in front of Huston-Tillotson College in an amount not to exceed \$50,000.

**TPSD**

Project Name: 7th Street - Great Streets  
Project Authorization: 2003-04 Capital Budget  
Funding Source: CMTA  
Number: 8581-257-0101

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| Current Appropriation | \$3,300,000.00       |
| Unencumbered Balance  | \$2,605,112.00       |
| Amount of This Action | <u>(\$50,000.00)</u> |
| Available Balance     | \$2,555,112.00       |

Project Name: Neighborhood Enhancements - Central East Austin  
Project Authorization: 2003-04 Capital Budget  
Funding Source: FY1999, FY2000, FY2001 General Fund Transfers  
Number: 8560-497-0110

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| Current Appropriation | \$20,000.00          |
| Unencumbered Balance  | \$18,350.00          |
| Amount of This Action | <u>(\$10,000.00)</u> |
| Available Balance     | \$8,350.00           |

Department: TPSD  
RCA # 5807

Date: 9/2/04