



Recommendation for Action

File #: 22-2531, **Agenda Item #:** 14.

7/28/2022

Posting Language:

Authorize the negotiation and execution of an agreement with Mai Gutierrez for artwork for the Dove Springs Health Facility Art in Public Places Project, in an amount not to exceed \$110,000.

Lead Department:

Economic Development.

Fiscal Note:

Funding in the amount of \$110,000 is available from the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Capital Budget of Austin Public Health.

For More Information:

Sylnovia Holt-Rabb, Director, Economic Development Department, 512-974-3131 and Marjorie Flanagan, Acting Program Manager, Art in Public Places Program, 512-974-8706.

Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:

On June 6, 2022, the Art in Public Places (AIPP) Panel unanimously approved the selection process recommendation for the Dove Springs Health Facility AIPP Project, naming Mai Gutierrez as the selected artist and Sun McColgin as the alternate artist for the \$110,000 Pavilion Shade Structure artwork commission. (Panel Member Lemmo motioned for approval and Panel Member Carr seconded. Motion passed 5-0-0. Panel Members Nolan and Rubin were absent.)

On June 29, 2022, the Austin Arts Commission unanimously approved the selection process recommendation for the Dove Springs Health Facility AIPP Project, naming Mai Gutierrez as the selected artist and Sun McColgin as the alternate artist for the \$110,000 Pavilion Shade Structure artwork commission. The item passed on consent. (Commission Member Flores motioned for approval and Commission Member Gray seconded. Motioned passed 9-0-0.)

Additional Backup Information:

AIPP, of the Cultural Arts Division, Economic Development Department (EDD), sought to commission a local professional visual artist or artist team to design, fabricate, and install artwork at the Dove Springs Health Facility. The budget for this artwork is \$110,000 for the Pavilion Shade Structure artwork commission, all-inclusive of artist time, design, insurance, fabrication, and installation related costs.

The goal of the project is to commission an Austin-based artist and/or artist team who, in collaboration with community stakeholders and City staff, will design artwork that integrates with the Dove Springs Health Facility.

This public art opportunity was open to Austin artists. A Request for Qualifications was open from February 1, 2022 to March 31, 2022 with applications accepted via www.publicartists.org. [<http://www.publicartists.org/>](http://www.publicartists.org) On May 12, 2022, the jury and advisors listed below, met via Zoom to review 18 applications. Upon review of the applicants, Mai Gutierrez was selected unanimously for the Pavilion Shade Structure with Sun McColgin selected as the alternate.

Jurors:

- Monica Maldonado, Founder, Mas Cultura
- Angel Garcia, Partner and Design Director, Marmon Mok Architects
- Angel Alcala, Artist, TEMPO 2019 and AFD 25/EMS 10

Task Force Advisors:

- Irene Magana-Noverola - Managing Librarian, Austin Southeast Branch Library

City of Austin Advisors:

- Kymberley Maddox - Assistant Director, Austin Public Health
- Kalpana Sutaria - Project Manager, Public Works
- Filip Gecic - Project Manager, Austin Public Health

AIPP Panel and Arts Commission Advisors:

- Joel Nolan - Member, Art in Public Places Panel
- Jaime Castillo - Member, Austin Arts Commission, District 2.

Strategic Outcome(s):

Economic Opportunity and Affordability & Culture and Lifelong Learning.