



2nd Street Bridge and Extension  
(Shoal Creek to West Avenue)  
Art In Public Places Project

Artist Information Meeting

January 18, 2012



## 2<sup>nd</sup> Street Bridge and Extension (Shoal Creek to West Avenue) Art In Public Places Project Artist Information Meeting – Agenda

Welcome, Introductions and Overview of Meeting. Sue Lambe, Art in Public Places

Project Background - Seaholm District Overview. Fred Evins, EGRSO

- Art In Public Places Panel Intent; Families and Children's Task Force Report. Lynn Osgood, AIPP Panel representative
- other AIPP projects in the area. Sue Lambe

Bridge Site and Schedule. Cynthia Jordan, Public Works Project Manager

New Central Library Design and Schedule. Cynthia Jordan, PW Project Manager

Shoal Creek Trail + Lance Armstrong Bikeway; Artwork criteria regarding play. Rey Hernandez and Lance Seveska, PARD

Artwork Goals, Application, Criteria and Selection. Sue Lambe

Questions?



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## Artist Information Meeting – Seaholm District

**Bowie Underpass**  
 Status: Design  
 Construction: 2014 (estimated)  
 Pedestrian and bicycle underpass of Union Pacific Railroad

**Lower Shoal Creek Improvements**  
 Status: Design  
 Construction: 2011 - 2015  
 Various phases of trail improvement and bank stabilization in conjunction with adjacent projects – 5<sup>th</sup> Street to Lady Bird Lake

**Energy Control Center Redevelopment**  
 Status: Master Development Agreement Approved  
 Construction: 2014 (estimated)  
 482 Condominium Units  
 15,000 SF Commercial  
<http://austingo.austintexas.gov/department/green-water-treatment-plant-redevelopment>

**New Federal Courthouse**  
 Status: Construction  
 Completion: 2012  
 211,690 SF

**Gables Park Plaza Ph I**  
 Status: Completed 2010  
 294 Apartments  
 8500 SF Commercial  
<http://gables.com/find/apartment/1191-gables-park-plaza-austin-tx>

**Seaholm Substation Artwall**  
 Status: Design  
 Construction: 2012  
[http://coapublish1.ci.austin.tx.us/aipo/dpwnloads/seaholm\\_schematic\\_design2.pdf](http://coapublish1.ci.austin.tx.us/aipo/dpwnloads/seaholm_schematic_design2.pdf)

**Gables Park Plaza Ph II**  
 Status: Proposed  
 Construction: 2012  
 313 Apartments  
 15,000 SF Commercial

**Green Water Treatment Plant Redevelopment**  
 Status: Master Development Agreement Negotiation  
 Construction: 2013 (estimated)  
 695 Residential Units  
 400 Hotel Rooms  
 580,000 SF Office  
 160,000 SF Retail  
 Includes extension of W 2<sup>nd</sup> Street & Nueces through site  
<http://austingo.austintexas.gov/department/green-water-treatment-plant-redevelopment>

**Sand Beach Improvements**  
 Status: Completed 2010  
 Road realignment, district water quality and parkland improvements

**2<sup>nd</sup> Street Bridge and extension to West Avenue**  
 Status: Design  
 Construction: 2013 (estimated)  
 In conjunction with New Central Library

**Pfluger Bridge Extension**  
 Status: Completed 2011  
 Extension of bicycle and pedestrian bridge over Cesar Chavez

**New Central Library**  
 Status: Design  
 Construction: 2013 (estimated)  
 200,000 SF Central Library  
<http://www.ci.austin.tx.us/library/newcenlib.htm>

**Seaholm Power Plant Redevelopment**  
 Status: Design  
 Construction: 2012 (estimated)  
 298 Apartments  
 43,000 SF Office  
 84,000 SF Retail  
 24,000 SF Event Center  
<http://austingo.austintexas.gov/department/seaholm-power-plant-redevelopment>

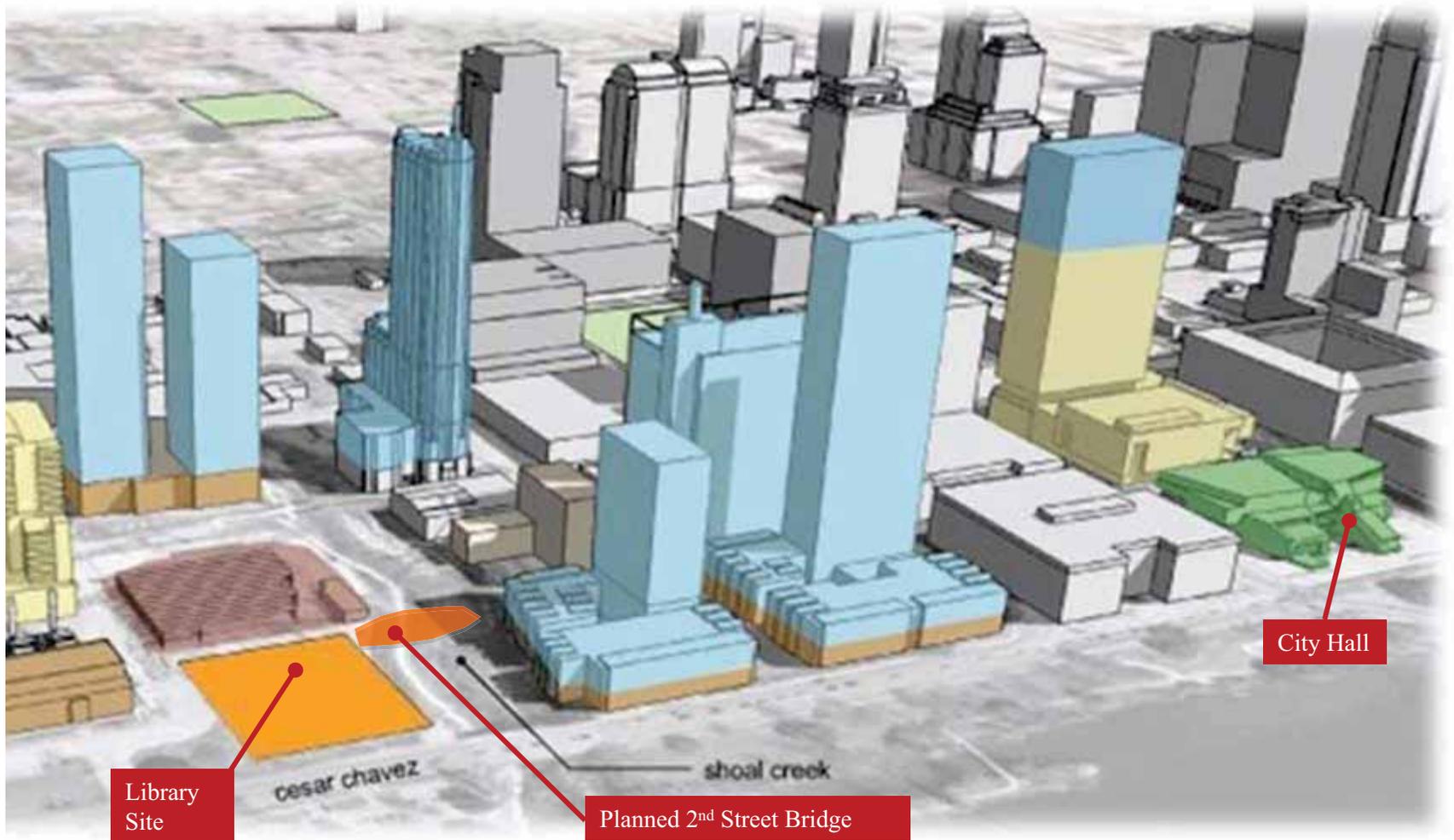
**Intake Structure Redevelopment**  
 Status: Feasibility Study  
 Potential redevelopment of Seaholm Power Plant and Green Water Treatment Plant intake structures for park-oriented amenities

Seaholm District Update 2011



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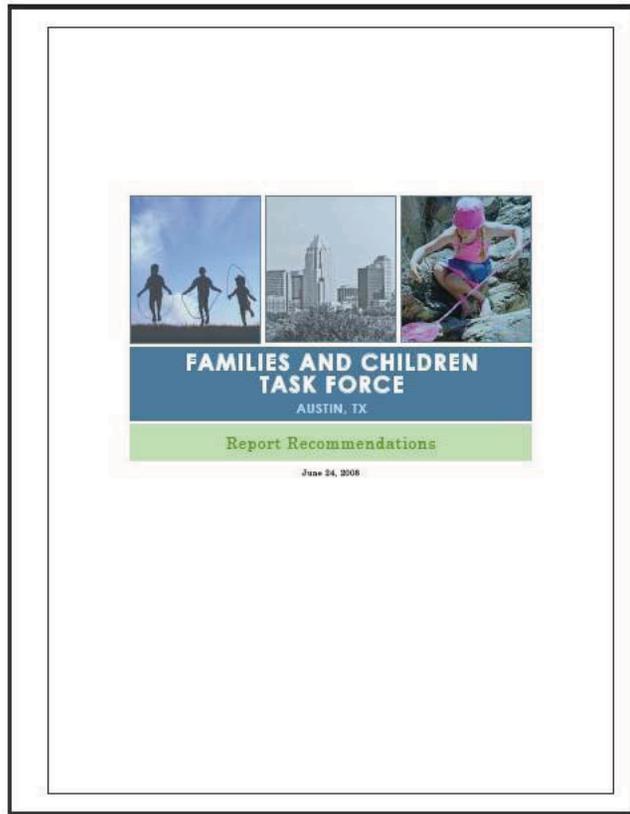
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## 2<sup>nd</sup> Street Bridge and Extension (Shoal Creek to West Avenue) Art In Public Places Project Artist Information Meeting – AIPP Panel Intent



Families and Children's Task Force Report - June 2008

This artwork opportunity is open to a wide range of ideas to be proposed by the selected artist.

The goal of this specific public art project is to select an artist who will create a work that will:

- be a unique work of contemporary art for the public;
- be dynamic and engaging for children and families;
- function well within the context of the site and its surrounding land uses;
- create artwork that is easily maintained and safe.



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Nader Tehrani, Seaholm Wall



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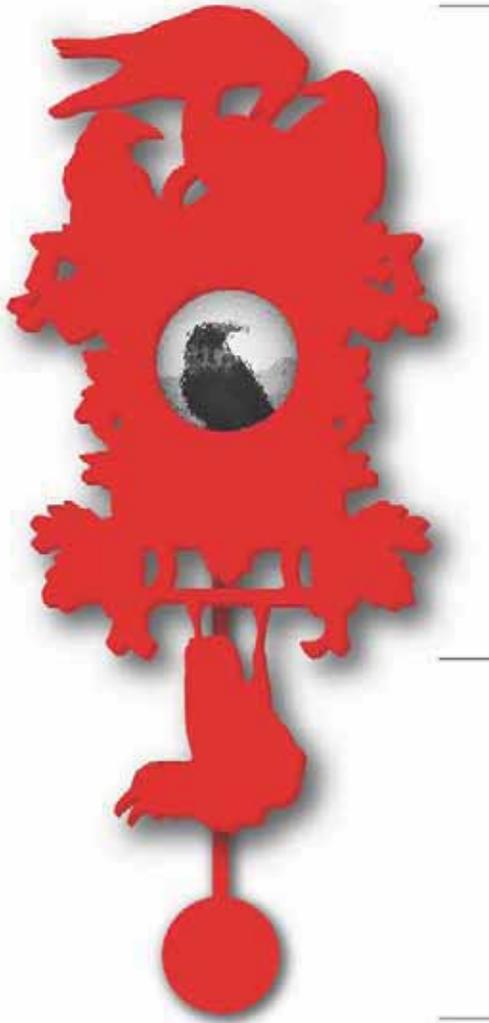


Ned Kahn/Seaholm Power Plant



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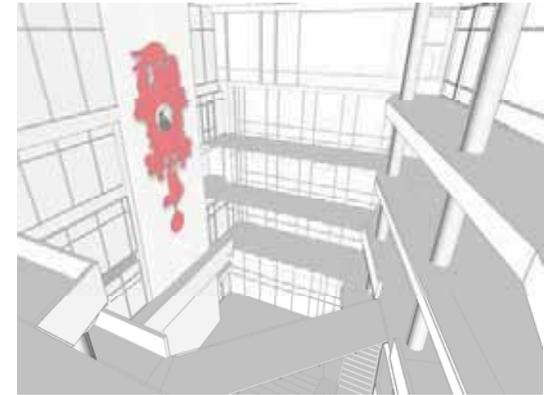
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### Proposal

The artwork "Birds" is a large, wall mounted two-dimensional piece.

Resembling a gigantic cuckoo clock overtaken by black birds, it works as a kinetic sculpture, animated by a swinging pendulum and a virtual bird cage in the form of a black and white video screen in its center.



The art work will be 37' high, 16' wide and 3" thick.

In the center of the piece will be a circular LED screen with a diameter of 6'. The screen will be covered with translucent laminated glass flush mounted onto the top surface of the work.

Christian Moeller/New Central Library



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The City of Austin is constructing a new portion of 2nd Street, which will extend from Shoal Creek to proposed West Avenue (at the decommissioned Seaholm Power Plant).



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Construction will include approximately 550 linear feet of new road and sidewalks, including an approximately 250' bridge over Shoal Creek.



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Artist Information Meeting – 2<sup>nd</sup> St. Bridge + Extension



2<sup>nd</sup> Street will be a *woonerf* (or festival streets) design concept with pedestrians and vehicles kept separated by bollards lining the street.



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Artist Information Meeting - New Central Library



The New Central Library, adjacent project to the AIPP site, will provide a high tech, cultural and information center for the area. It will be a major downtown destination; a state-of-the-art library that will inspire discovery.



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Artist Information Meeting - New Central Library



Amenities will include a bike porch, reading porches, a café, retail outlet of Recycled Reads bookstore, and opportunities to take classes and engage with the community.



## 2<sup>nd</sup> Street Bridge and Extension (Shoal Creek to West Avenue) Art In Public Places Project Artist Information Meeting – Construction nearby

### Schedule for Bridge and Extension Project

Winter 2013 - Construction begins

Winter 2015 - Substantial Completion

Spring 2016 - Project opening and dedication

### Schedule for New Central Library Project

January 2013 - Construction begins

Spring 2016 - Project opening and dedication

- All schedules subject to change -



## 2<sup>nd</sup> Street Bridge and Extension (Shoal Creek to West Avenue) Art In Public Places Project Artist Information Meeting - Shoal Creek Trail



Shoal Creek Trail and Lance Armstrong Bikeway.



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Shoal Creek Trail runs under the planned 2<sup>nd</sup> Street Bridge and will be a major pedestrian and bike way through the Seaholm District.



## 2<sup>nd</sup> Street Bridge and Extension (Shoal Creek to West Avenue) Art In Public Places Project Artist Information Meeting – Interactivity vs. Play

Many potential issues **if** artists encourage children to use an artwork as a play structure...

Most of the requirements are related to climbing height

- fall zone setback
- depth of fall zone material

Also need to consider fastener styles, types and exposure of bolts.

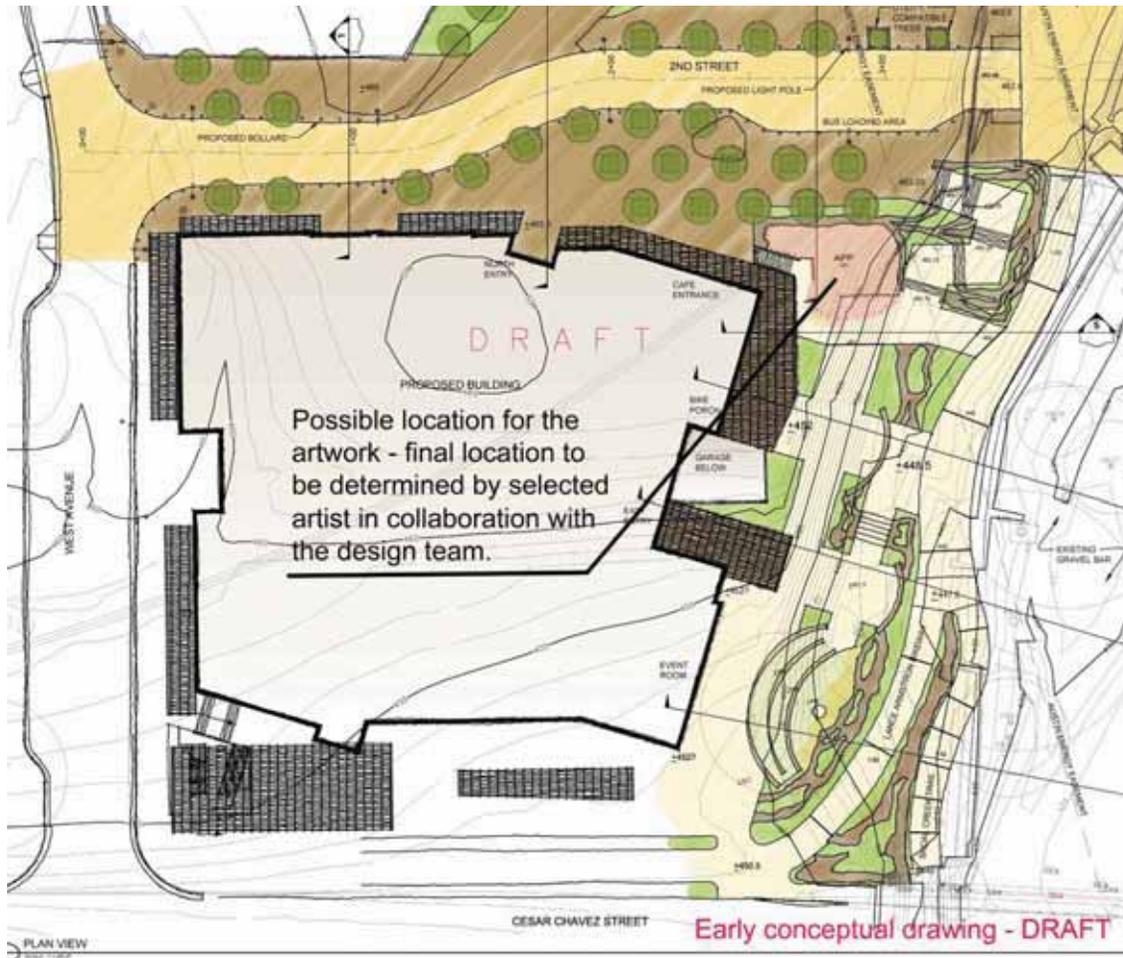
Consider how parts go together; no gaps.

The cover of the "Public Playground Safety Handbook" features a purple background with white text. It includes three photographs: two children on a climbing structure, a man swinging a child, and a colorful playground slide. The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission logo is in the bottom right corner, and the text "U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission" and "Saving Lives and Keeping Families Safe" is at the bottom.

# Public Playground Safety Handbook

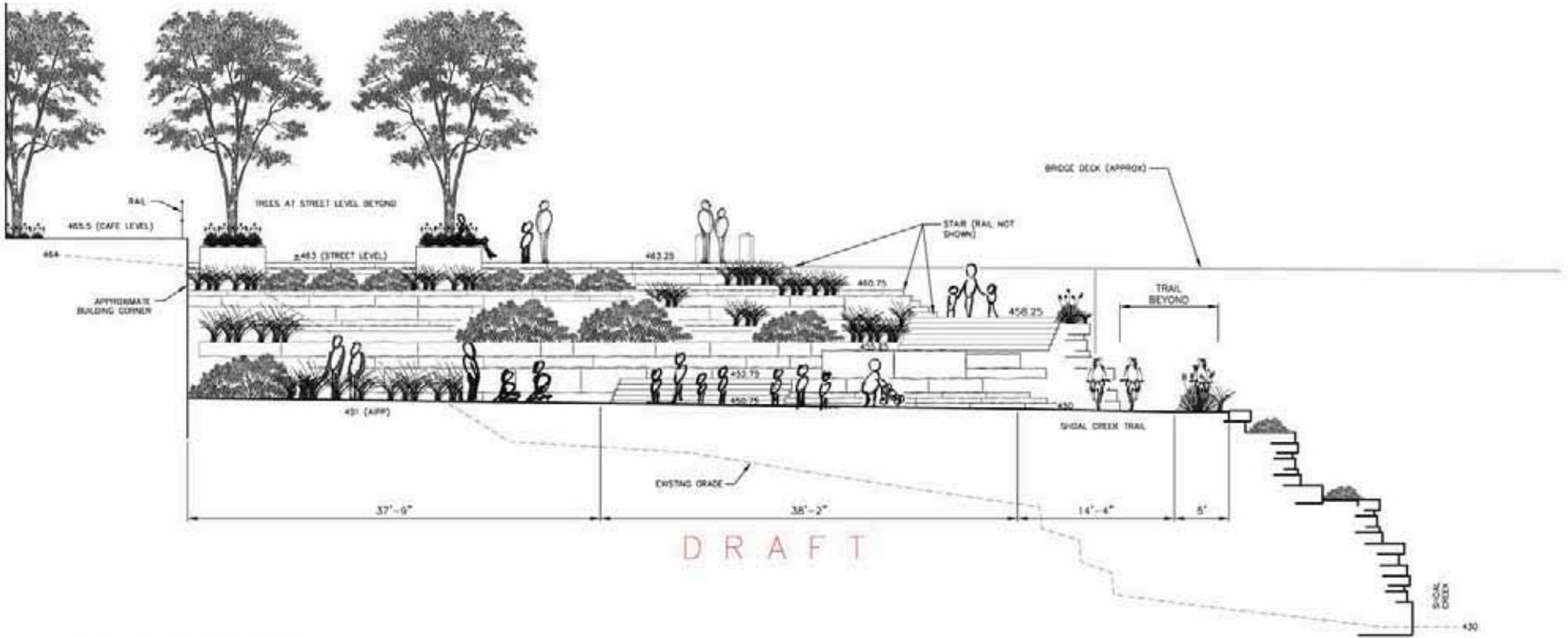
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Artist Information Meeting – Artwork Opportunity



The artwork is to be located at an exterior location, in an area bordered by the New Central Library to the west, 2nd Street and the new bridge to the north, Shoal Creek to the east and Cesar Chavez to the south.

The artwork cannot be placed within the floodplain.

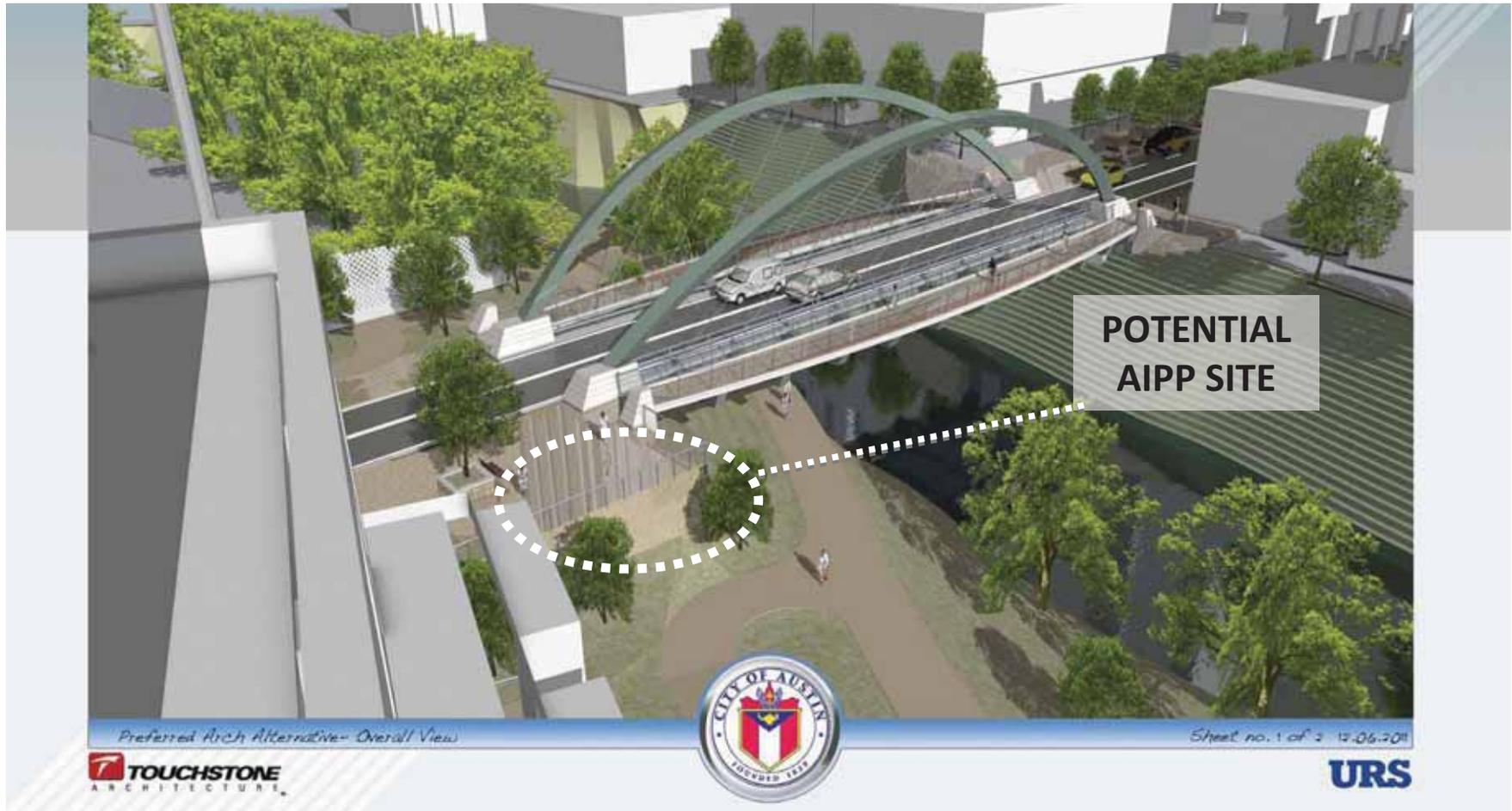


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Possible AIPP Site



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Artist Information Meeting – Public Art Intent & Goals

The Art in Public Places program seeks to commission works of art of redeeming quality that advance public understanding of visual art and enhance the aesthetic quality of public places.

The artwork is intended to serve as a lively and engaging piece for the community of Austin.

The exact scope and location of the artwork will be based upon the artist's vision and discussions between the artist and the design team.

Due to the challenges for maintenance of the artwork, only artwork of substantial durability and low maintenance needs will be considered.

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**Artist Information Meeting – Budget and Eligibility**

**Budget**

A maximum amount of \$166,000 is available for the public art project. The selected artist(s) will be responsible for all aspects of design, including coordination with both New Central Library design team and 2<sup>nd</sup> Street Bridge and Extension design team, fabrication and construction including design and fees, travel expenses, insurance, and installation costs.

**Artist Eligibility**

Professional visual artists at least 18 years of age residing in Texas are eligible to apply.

Full-time, permanent City of Austin employees, all employees of the Economic Growth & Redevelopment Services Office and the sponsor department (Public Works), including their employees, project consultants, and sub-consultants are ineligible to apply.



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- Artistic merit of body of work
- Strong conceptual skills with innovative and effective approaches demonstrated in other creative projects
- Ability to design artwork that is sensitive to social, environmental, historical, and/or other relevant contexts
- Ability to translate artistic concepts into materials that are appropriate for public space, taking into consideration maintenance, safety, and longevity
- Potential for work to enrich and diversify the City of Austin Art in Public Places Collection
- Completeness of application
- Ability and willingness to collaborate with City staff, design and engineering professionals, stakeholders, and contractors
- Probability of successful execution and completion of project
- Appropriateness of qualifications for the project
- Effective communication and organizational skills
- Demonstrated successful projects of a similar scope
- Ability to effectively engage with other design professionals, community stakeholders and user groups



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**Deadline: 5 pm on Monday, February 13, 2012.**

**Late applications are not accepted.** *Don't wait until the last minute to start your application!*

**Applicants must submit all materials through the ASAPP!** online application system, at [https://www.austintexas.gov/aipp/apply/dsp\\_artist\\_calls.cfm](https://www.austintexas.gov/aipp/apply/dsp_artist_calls.cfm)

**Complete a registry profile on ASAPP!**

**Select a minimum of 10 images (maximum of 15)** from your registry profile to apply for the call. Artist teams must have each team member's work represented within the 10 - 15 images selected for review.

**Letter of Interest (2000 character limit):** Briefly describe your specific interest in the 2nd Street Bridge/Extension Art in Public Places Project and explain why your qualifications are a good fit for this project. Please keep in mind the project's "Public Art Intent and Goals."



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Artist Information Meeting - Selection Schedule

*(subject to change)*

December 22, 2011

RFQ released

January 18, 2012 at noon

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February 13, 2012 at 5 pm

Deadline for submission of Qualifications

February 24, 2012

Selection Panel convenes.

March 2012

Approval of Selected Artist and Alternate

April 2012

Council authorizes contract negotiation



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