

Legislation Text

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TO:Mayor and CommissionersFROM:Suzanne Fisher, Director Parks & RecreationTHROUGH:Chief Neal de Jesus, Interim City ManagerDATE:April 4, 2017

PUBLIC ART ADVISORY BOARD ART CITYWIDE - ART CHAIR PROJECT - REQUEST APPROVAL FOR LOCATIONS

Recommended Action:

Motion to Approve the locations for the Art Citywide Project as noted in Attachment A - Proposed Locations - Art Citywide.

Background:

On July 5, 2016, the Public Art Advisory Board made their Annual Presentation to the Commission detailing their 2016-2017 Work Plan (attached) . Included in this plan was the installation of 15 "Art Chairs" as part of the Citywide Artist In Residence project. The Commission also approved the agreements for PAAB Creative Artist in Residency Project to Agata Ren and Mark Fuller at the July 5, 2016 Regular Commission Meeting. The artists have been working since July to engage local community leaders and groups to design a series of sculptural chairs that represent various aspects of Delray Beach. These groups have included the Historical Society, WARC, Spady Cultural Museum, the Delray Beach Public Library, the Achievement Center, and City Departments (including Fire, Police, Parks and Recreation, and Environmental Services. As part of the engagement process, the artists asked each group to suggest locations for the art chairs, which would engage the community and visitors to find each chair and further their interest in Delray Beach. The art chairs will each have a QR Code located on the chairs. The installation of the chairs will be completed by Parks and Recreation and Environmental Services, with oversight by the artists, to ensure that all safety measures and the integrity of the chair/art are not compromised.

City Attorney Review:

Approved as to form and legal sufficiency.

Finance Department Review:

Finance recommends approval.

Funding Source:

Funding is available from the Public Art Advisory Board (Special Projects Fund/Miscellaneous/Public Arts Trust Account/Culture/Recreation/Other Culture/Recreation/Professional Services/Other Professional Services) account number 115-1702-579-31.90.

Timing of Request:

This is time sensitive as the chairs are nearing completion and will be unveiled in late March (March 17) at an opening reception at Old School Square as part of a new juried exhibition. The chairs will be placed in storage until each location is finalized.