



Council Communication

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Agenda Item No. 61
Roll Call No. 08-
Communication No. 08-648
Submitted by: Donald M. Tripp
Park and Recreation Director

AGENDA HEADING:

Approval of items related to the John and Mary Pappajohn Sculpture Park: (1) Acceptance of \$1,000,000 Vision Iowa grant award with conditions and funding commitment through approval of Vision Iowa Agreement number 08-VI-002, and (2) Acceptance of \$100,000 W. T. and Edna M. Dahl Trust Grant Award with conditions and funding agreement through approval of grant agreement.

SYNOPSIS:

Recommend acceptance of a \$1,000,000 Vision Iowa grant award for the construction of the John and Mary Pappajohn Sculpture Park presently under development between 13th and 15th Streets and Locust Street and Grand Avenue in Western Gateway Park (WGP); and to authorize the execution and delivery of the agreement and other documents which the Vision Iowa Board or its legal counsel may reasonably request; and authorize the Mayor to execute the agreement.

Recommend approval to accept a \$100,000 W. T. and Edna M. Dahl Trust Grant Award for the construction of the John and Mary Pappajohn Sculpture Park presently under development in WGP; to authorize the execution and delivery of the Agreement and such other documents as the Foundation Trustees or its legal counsel may reasonably request; and authorize the Mayor to execute the agreement.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$500,000 local match

Funding Source: \$500,000 remaining from bonds previously sold for Western Gateway Park has been transferred to this sculpture garden project. PKS169 Gateway West Park (funded with a transfer of \$500,000 of TIF backed G.O. Bonds remaining from the original Western Gateway Redevelopment Project) URR027 – 2007-2008 CIP, Economic Development Page 5.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

The Vision Iowa grant is \$950,000 less than was requested in the authorization to apply for a Vision Iowa grant approved by the Des Moines City Council on March 10, 2008 by Roll Call No. 08-133. Since that time, Polk County has committed to funding \$100,000 for the project, the W. T. and Edna Dahl Trust has committed to a \$100,000 grant, Prairie Meadows has committed to a \$300,000 Legacy Grant Award, and final commitments from corporate donors have included the following amounts over and above those itemized in the grant application: Principal Financial - \$150,000 additional; Aviva \$250,000; and the Des Moines Register \$50,000 to the infrastructure portion of the overall project. Additionally, funding commitments outlined in the Vision Iowa Grant Application include: Wellmark \$250,000,

Principal Financial \$250,000, Allied Nationwide \$300,000, Patty and Jim Cownie Charitable Fund \$250,000, and Des Moines Public Art Foundation \$500,000.

The W. T. and Edna M. Dahl Trust Grant Award was not contingent on city funding and is part of the funding outlined above for the Vision Iowa grant award.

An agreement between the City of Des Moines; Edmundson Art Foundation, Inc. d/b/a The Des Moines Art Center (DMAC); and the Greater Des Moines Community Foundation (GDCAF) approved by the Des Moines City Council, on August 11, 2008 by Roll Call 08-1400 establishes the mechanism for the distribution of private donations to the City and DMAC. It provides that the design, administration and construction of the John and Mary Pappajohn Sculpture Park will flow through the City's public improvement construction and procurement process and that the City will request reimbursement of such expenses from the GDCAF. The agreement also provides for funds remaining, after construction and installation, to be placed in a maintenance fund to provide for increased maintenance of the park relevant to the sculpture installation. A finance committee with a representative of the City and the DMAC will approve reimbursement requests and prioritize reimbursement requests if sufficient funds are not available to reimburse all City and DMAC requests. In the event agreement cannot be reached by this committee, the Des Moines City Council will make final determination of the use of funds.

In January 2007, John and Mary Pappajohn announced the donation of several works of sculpture art by world-renowned artists to the Des Moines Art Center for placement in what has since been designed and named to be the John and Mary Pappajohn Sculpture Park, in Western Gateway Park. The donation of this collection of art for the benefit of the citizens of Des Moines and the general public has afforded the City the opportunity to create one of the most significant sculpture parks in the United States.

The original donation included sixteen pieces of art. However, in December 2007, Mr. Pappajohn purchased and proposed to donate a seventeenth piece, Jaume Plensa's "Nomade." In addition to the above noted works of art, at a ground breaking ceremony for the John and Mary Pappajohn Sculpture Park held on October 1, 2008, the Pappajohns announced an intention to donate as many as ten additional works of art to the sculpture park.

Construction of the sculpture park began the following day and is anticipated to be completed by August 1, 2009, with installation of the art to follow.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

Date: September 22, 2008

Roll Call Number: 08-1642

Action: Approving Professional Services Agreement with RDG Planning and Design for Construction Phase Services for John and Mary Pappajohn Sculpture Park, not to exceed \$177,750. (Council Communication No. 08-570) Moved by Hensley to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.

Date: September 22, 2008

Roll Call Number: 08-1697

Action: On John & Mary Pappajohn Sculpture Park: Resolution approving plans, specifications, form of contract documents, Engineer's Estimate and designating lowest responsible bidder as Pinnacle Construction Group, LLC, (Shane E. Madison, President), \$2,014,500. (Council Communication No. 08-574) Moved by Hensley to adopt. Motion Carried 6-1. Absent: Coleman.

Date: August 11, 2008

Roll Call Number: 08-1400

Action: Agreement for funding of John and Mary Pappajohn Sculpture Collection and John and Mary Pappajohn Sculpture Park improvements and maintenance with Edmundson Art Foundation, Inc. d/b/a The Des Moines Art Center, and Greater Des Moines Community Foundation. (Council Communication No. 08-485)

) Moved by Hensley to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.

Date: December 17, 2007

Roll Call Number: 07-2427

Action: License Agreement with Edmundson Art Foundation, Inc. d/b/a The Des Moines Art Center for installation and maintenance of a sculpture entitled Nomade at "Western Gateway Park". (Council Communication No. 07-736) Moved by Hensley to adopt. Motion Carried 6-1.

Date: November 5, 2007

Roll Call Number: 07-2154

Action: Professional Services Agreement with Agrest and Gandelsonas Architects, LLP for schematic design of the Pappajohn Sculpture Garden at Western Gateway Park, not to exceed \$132,750. (Council Communication No. 07-671) Moved by Hensley to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.

Date: February 26, 2007

Roll Call Number: 07-389

Action: On Intergovernmental 28E Operating Agreement with Edmundson Art Foundation, Inc., d/b/a Des Moines Art Center for "Western Gateway" Sculpture Park (Council Communication No. 07-119) Moved by Hensley to continue to 3-26-07 at 5:00 P.M.; refer to City Manager to report on process for recommendations that come before the Council. Motion Carried 7-0.

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S):

Date: February 20, 2007

Roll Call Number: 07-019

Action: Park and Recreation Board approved the Art Center Agreement for Western Gateway Park Sculpture Garden. Motion carried. 8-0.

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE

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