



Roll Call Number

25-1485

Agenda Item Number

23

Date November 3, 2025

**APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT WITH MADDY FUSCO FOR DESIGN AND MAINTENANCE OF
PIONEER COLUMBUS COMMUNITY RECREATION CENTER MURAL PROJECT**

WHEREAS, the City owns real property commonly referred to as the Pioneer Columbus Recreation Center and locally known as 2100 SE 5th Street, Des Moines, Iowa, upon which the City intends to install and maintain a mural on the exterior of the building through its Des Moines Parks and Recreation Department (the "Project") for the benefit and enjoyment of the residents of the City, subject to availability of funds, with Project installation anticipated to begin in spring 2026; and

WHEREAS, the City wishes to hire Maddy Fusco ("Artist") to finalize all project items, provide a final design concept, install the mural, grant the City any necessary licensing, provide documentation of the project, and complete repair/touch-up maintenance at the City's request for the Project. The City intends to pay all costs related to Artist's work for the Project; and

WHEREAS, the City Parks and Recreation Department staff have negotiated an agreement with the Artist ("Agreement"), in the form on file with the City Clerk, setting forth the anticipated scope of work to be completed by Artist for the Project in the total amount not to exceed \$42,250.00 for finalizing all project items (paint materials, color palette, estimated timelines, and installation methods), provide a final design concept, install the mural, grant the City any necessary licensing, and documentation of the project and additional costs for Project repair and touch-up maintenance services at the rate of \$65.00 dollars per hour, for an initial 2-year period with the option for two 2-year renewal terms and with all initial costs to be paid by the City; and

WHEREAS, on March 24, 2025, by Roll Call No. 25-0447, City Council approved the GC25 Public Art Grant Agreement with Bravo Greater Des Moines for \$22,750 of grant funding for Pioneer Columbus Community Recreation Center Mural Project; and

WHEREAS, the City Parks and Recreation Department Director recommends Council approve the above-described agreement with the Artist, subject to final negotiation and approval as to form by the Legal Department.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Des Moines, Iowa, that:

1. The above-described Agreement by and between the City of Des Moines, Iowa and Maddy Fusco, in the form on file in the office of the City Clerk, is hereby approved, and the City Manager is authorized and directed to sign said Agreement following approval as to form by the Legal Department.
2. The City Parks and Recreation Department Director and his designee(s) are authorized and directed to administer and monitor the terms of the agreement on behalf of the City.



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Moved by Gatto to adopt.

Second by Voss.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

/s/ Chas M. Cahill

Chas M. Cahill

Assistant City Attorney

COUNCIL ACTION	YEAS	NAYS	PASS	ABSENT
BOESEN	✓			
COLEMAN	✓			
GATTO	✓			
MANDELBAUM	✓			
SIMONSON	✓			
VOSS	✓			
WESTERGAARD	✓			
TOTAL	7			
MOTION CARRIED		APPROVED		

CERTIFICATE

I, Laura Baumgartner, City Clerk of said City hereby certify that at a meeting of the City Council of said City of Des Moines, held on the above date, among other proceedings the above was adopted.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal the day and year first above written.

Connie Boesen

Mayor

Laura Baumgartner

City Clerk