



City of Sebastopol

Public Arts Committee Staff Report

Meeting Date: November 7, 2018
To: Public Arts Committee
From: Dana Morrison, Assistant Planner
Kari Svanstrom, Planning Director
Subject: Presentation of Maquette from RFP Finalists to the PAC and the Public
Recommendation: Receive Presentation from Remaining Finalists, Ask Questions of Artist

Background / Introduction:

The City issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) for a public art project with a submittal deadline of July 31, 2018. Twenty-one artists made submittals. At the September 5, 2018 meeting, the Public Arts Committee (PAC) reviewed the public art proposals in response to the RFP for a public art installation at the Sebastopol Public Library. At this meeting the Committee selected three finalists to further develop their proposals for presentation to the Committee and the Community.

At their October 3, 2018 meeting the three finalists met with the Committee so they could each receive feedback from the Committee, and ask any questions of the Committee to assist in the development of their maquette. All three finalists, Nichole Ponsler, Michael McGinnis, and Linda Serrao, were in attendance. Since this meeting Nichole Ponsler has officially withdrawn her submittal.

Process:

There will be two meetings today; a morning meeting (10:30 A.M.) and an evening meeting (6:30 P.M.); both are Public Hearings and comments from the public are welcome. However, the first meeting is mainly intended for the PAC to receive a presentation from, and ask questions of, the two remaining finalists regarding their proposed maquettes. The evening meeting is intended to serve as an opportunity for members of the public to view the proposed art installations and ask question of the artists. No final decision will be made tonight regarding the finalist selected for recommendation to the City Council.

10:30 AM Meeting (City Hall):

Each artist will give a presentation to the Committee and public, in the following order:

1. Michael McGinnis
2. Linda Serrao

Afterwards the PAC will ask question of the artist. Following the PAC questions, and any discussion, members of the public may ask questions of the artists.

6:30 P.M. Meeting (Art Center):

Each artist will give a presentation to the Committee and public, in the following order:

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1. Linda Serrao
2. Michael McGinnis

Afterward members of the public may ask questions of the artists.

Next Steps:

The maquettes will be displayed in the Sebastopol Library from November 7, 2018 until November 26, 2018 to allow for further input and comments from members of the Community.

Full review and final selection for a finalist recommendation to the City Council is scheduled to take place at the December 5, 2018 PAC meeting.

City Council review of PAC's recommended artist is anticipated to be on the agenda in January 2019.

Attachments:

Artist submittals

Previous meeting minutes: October 3, 2018 and September 5, 2018