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AGENDA INFORMATION SHEET

DEPARTMENT: Parks and Recreation
ACM: Christine Taylor, Assistant City Manager
DATE: February 2, 2026

SUBJECT

Receive a report, hold a discussion, and give staff direction, on the selection of winning proposals for bond-related public art at Fire Station 5 and Fire Station 6.

BACKGROUND

The 2023 Bond program, approved by voters in November of that year, included several vertical construction projects with related public art components. Call for Artists for two of these projects – Fire Station 5 and Fire Station 6 – closed at the end of June. We received 30 proposals for Fire Station 5, and 27 proposals were received for Fire Station 6.

A committee composed of PAC Members and Fire staff met to consider the proposals for both Fire Stations in late September. Each work was assessed according to a simple 100-point rubric, with the points breaking down as follows:

<u>Criteria</u>	<u>Max Points</u>
Artistic Merit	50
Following Project Scope / Theming	25
Proposal Scale and Appropriateness of Scale	25
<u>Total</u>	<u>100</u>

The budget for public art projects at each fire station is \$253,000, and the RFP entertained proposals between \$100,000 and \$200,000.

Fire Station 5

Fire Station 5 will be a new structure built on the parcel of land that houses the current Fire Station 5 located at the intersection of N. Bonnie Brae Street and W. Windsor Drive, near the southwestern corner of North Lakes Park. A subcommittee consisting of Public Art Committee members and Fire Department staff met on October 24 to consider and rank Fire Station 5 proposals.

Fire Station 6

Fire Station 6 is a new structure at 2301 Hunter’s Creek Road, off Teasley Lane. A subcommittee consisting of Public Art Committee members and Fire Department staff met on September 24, 2025, to consider and rank Fire Station 5 proposals.

RESULTS OF SUBCOMMITTEE RANKINGS

A subcommittee consisting of PAC members Adam Chamberlin and Francesca Romano, GDAC executive director (and PAC ex-officio member) Krissi Oden, as well as Fire Department representatives Chief David Boots and Fire Administration Manager Lindsey Garrison met on September 24, 2025, to consider

proposals for both fire stations. After a conversation about each design, subcommittee members were asked to provide their rankings for each fire station. The consolidated scores for the top three projects at each fire station are provided below, in descending order:

Fire Station #5 Subcommittee Proposal Scores						
Artist	Panelist 1	Panelist 2	Panelist 3	Panelist 4	Panelist 5	Total Score
Denton Maker Center	100	92	95	87.5	90	464.5
SV Randall Studio LLC	80	86	90	60	0	316
Edavant LLC	0	60	57	52.5	100	269.5

Fire Station #6 Subcommittee Proposal Scores						
Artist	Panelist 1	Panelist 2	Panelist 3	Panelist 4	Panelist 5*	Total Score
Di Bari Innovation Design LLC	100	87	85	55	0	327
Christine Sanders	85	90	80	67.5	0	322.5
SV Randall Studio LLC	70	91	75	62.5	0	298.5

*some panelists chose only to grade the designs they felt were in their personal top three, hence some zero scores in the table.

Images of the designs are attached (see **Exhibit 2** and **Exhibit 3**)

NEXT STEPS

After the Public Art Committee considers the top-ranked proposals and if they decide to approve the subcommittee's selections, procurement staff will work to create contract documents for each project with the winning artists and bring ordinances approving those contracts to council for final consideration.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends accepting the subcommittee's ranked findings and beginning the process to contract with the winning artist for each fire station project.

FISCAL INFORMATION

Each Fire Station project has a total bond-supported budget of \$253,000. This budget must support the cost of project fabrication, transportation, and installation, as well as the artists' fees and other related costs. Additionally, each new piece of public art will have a related maintenance expense during its life span. The bond-supported budget amount does not include maintenance costs which have, historically, come from other funding sources like Hotel Occupancy Tax (HOT) funds.

EXHIBITS

- Exhibit 1- Agenda Information Sheet
- Exhibit 2- Fire Station 5 Proposal Catalog
- Exhibit 3- Fire Station 6 Proposal Catalog

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