



City of Denton

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AGENDA INFORMATION SHEET

DEPARTMENT: Parks and Recreation

ACM: Christine Taylor, Assistant City Manager

DATE: October 2, 2025

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, and approve sending subcommittee recommendations to City Council.

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.

The subcommittee has ranked its choices for each Fire Station and for the Public Art Committee's consideration. These ranked scores will then be provided to City Council so that the Council may make the final choice about which artist/proposal they wish to pursue for each Fire Station project.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends accepting the subcommittee's ranked findings and transmitting those rankings to the City Council for further consideration.

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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