



# Staff Report

Public Arts Commission

Item No. {{section.number}}.1

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**Meeting Date:** June 25, 2024

**Sponsors:** Vice-Chair Craig Liebelt, Commissioner Cristal Mojica

**Title:** Ocotillo Park Bench Project- Artist Selection Workshop

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## **RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends that the Public Arts Commission review, discuss, and select the artist(s) and associated designs for the Ocotillo Park Bench Project and forward on to City Council for final approval.

## **BACKGROUND:**

The Public Arts Commission has explored doing another bench beautification project at Ocotillo Park similar to the one completed at the Cathedral City Library since August of 2023. In the following months, Vice-Chair Liebelt and Commissioner Mojica worked on the proposed project as a subcommittee and provided regular updates to the Commission. On April 9, 2024, the Public Arts Commission approved a call for artists process and budget to forward for Council's consideration.

On April 24, 2024 the City Council approved the Public Arts Commission's recommendation for the Ocotillo Park Bench Painting Project in the amount of \$16,150 which included the following:

- \$11,500 for artists stipends (23@ \$500 each)
- \$4,150 for priming and top-coat of benches
- \$500 for incidental expenditures related to this project

A call for artist was posted on April 30, 2024 and the deadline was extended to June 10, 2024 to encourage more submissions. At the June 11, 2024 Public Arts Commission meeting, the Commission discussed calling a Special Meeting on June 25, 2024 at 5:00 p.m. to review and select artists and designs for the 23 benches in Ocotillo Park.

## **FUNDING SOURCE:**

Arts in Public Places Fund

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**ATTACHMENTS:**

Adriana Lopez-Ospina  
Allie Hebb  
Angela Landis  
Angie Salinas  
Barbara Eberhart  
Benjamin Garcia  
Benjamin Gonzalez-Gallardo  
Bobbi Flores  
Carlos Cardoza  
Cathy Brown and Preston Sparks  
Chris Granillo  
Daniel Vega  
Denny Pascasio  
Diane Morgan  
Donna Hawley  
Emeline Tate  
Graham Salisbury  
Isaiah Camargo  
Jacquelyn Isais  
Jay Gaskill  
Jeremy Novy  
Jesus Vega  
John Burkland  
Jorge Sicre  
Kaia Olsen  
Kara Iverson  
Kat Travino  
Kellie Pellegrini  
Kimberly Torres  
Kristina Nyberg  
Marco Garcia  
Mariah Young  
Mark Davis  
Marla Sullivan  
Mary Pat  
Mia Martinez  
Natalie Lujan  
Patrick Sheehan  
Piper Scott  
Ramon Reyes  
Raphael Cohen-Bacry  
Rashelle Roos  
Ravi Wilkie  
Richard Shelton  
Sarah Soward  
Stephanie Godoy  
Sydney Oliff  
Taunyo Jones Hidalgo  
Tekeyah Whitworth  
Tyler Ontiveros

Ulysses Colin