

AGENDA



Recommendation for Council Action

Austin City Council	Item ID	26342	Agenda Number	24.
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Meeting Date:	8/29/2013	Department:	Economic Growth and Redevelopment
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Subject

Authorize negotiation and execution of an amendment to the design and commission agreement with Electroland LLC for \$37,000 to address changes to the scope of work on the IH35 Makeover Project for a total contract amount not to exceed \$65,000.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding in the amount of \$37,000 is available in the Fiscal Year 2012-2013 Capital Budget of the Planning and Development Review Department.

Fiscal Note

A fiscal note is attached.

Purchasing Language:	
Prior Council Action:	
For More Information:	Kevin Johns, Director / EGRSO, 974-7802; Meghan Wells, AIPP Administrator / EGRSO-CAD, 974-9314
Boards and Commission Action:	September 21, 2009- Approved by the Austin Arts Commission.
MBE / WBE:	
Related Items:	

Additional Backup Information

PROJECT SUMMARY

In the fall of 2009, the City of Austin Art in Public Places (AIPP) program of the Cultural Arts Division, Economic Growth & Redevelopment Services Office (EGRSO) sought to commission an artist/design professional to program a lighting display utilizing LED equipment proposed to be installed as part of the I-35 Makeover Project. The artwork is intended to enhance the design of the improvements already installed by the City of Austin. AIPP staff assembled a short list of 15 qualified artists from the Artist Registry. The AIPP Panel then reviewed the applications and selected one artist and one alternate.

The I-35 Makeover Project is now complete and involved safety and infrastructure improvements to the two blocks beneath IH-35, where it passes over 6th, 7th and 8th Streets on the edge of downtown Austin. In addition to parking lot improvements, the design consists of fourteen curved and tapered galvanized steel poles supported under the freeway deck, with sixteen 2ft-long, programmable, LED color light fixtures attached at intervals along the undersides.

The total budget for artwork for this project is \$65,000. The scope of work has been revised to include collaboration with the Downtown Wayfinding Project and additional interactive elements for the LED lighting system.

SELECTION PANEL

Art in Public Places Panel (attending: Beatrice Thomas, Chair; Murray Legge; Ryan Thompson; Risa Puleo; Jaime Salvador Castillo)

PROJECT ADVISORS

Burton Jones, City of Austin, Public Works Project Manager
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