

# Prospectus Pharr Tennis Center AIPP Project

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ARTS COMMISSION

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# Pharr Tennis Center: Background

- Ø District 9
- Ø Next to Patterson Neighborhood Park and adjacent to the Mueller Development
- Ø Pharr is one of four municipal tennis centers; constructed in the late 1970s
- Ø Surrounding Cherrywood census area: 94.9% white (alone or in combination); 3.8% Black (alone or in combination); and 5% Asian (alone or in combination); 19.8% Hispanic/Latino; 11.69% speak Spanish; adjacent Mueller area is slightly more diverse
- Ø Pharr is used by members of the surrounding communities but also by clubs and individual players from all over Austin



## Selection Process

**Open Call to Local Artists;** open for 2 months

## Artist Eligibility

### **Applicant requirements:**

- Professional visual artist, or artist team;
- At least 18 years of age; and
- Live in the 7-county Austin metropolitan area (Williamson, Travis, Bastrop, Caldwell, Hays, Burnet, and Blanco counties).

### **Applicants are ineligible if they are also:**

- Full-time, permanent City of Austin employees;
- Employees of the project consultants and sub-consultants; or
- Artists who are under an active contract with the AIPP program

## Selection Criteria

- Artistic merit and technical expertise;
- Ability to engage the community in which the artwork is being proposed;
- Demonstrated success completing works of art

## AIPP Project Goals from June 2020 community meeting + online survey

Represents the **energy, activity, and camaraderie** of tennis through **inspiring or vibrant design**;

Showcases the **unique character or history** of the surrounding neighborhood, park, and/or tennis facility;

**Creatively** embodies the **diversity and culture of Austin**, specifically **East Austin**; and

Is **safe, easily maintained, and vandal resistant** in an exterior environment.

## Artist Selection

- A 3-person jury will choose 3-5 finalists; followed by artist interviews
- Recommendation of 1 artist and 1 alternate to the AIPP Panel and Arts Commission for approval
- The artist will be engaged in a design + commission contract

## Prioritized List of Jurors



Kel Brown, TEMPO 2D Artist



Luis Angulo, TEMPO 2D Artist



Shiva Jabarnia, Landscape Designer at dwg.



Maddy Webster, Sawyer Yards Artist Complex Staff; Former Collegiate Tennis Player



Jamie Robertson, Visual Artist and Educator; Experienced Community Artist

### Project advisors may include:

- George Maldonado, Project Manager, Parks and Recreation Department, City of Austin
- Lonnie Lyman, Event Coordinator Senior, Parks and Recreation Department, City of Austin
- Audra Biediger, Project Manager, Public Works Department, City of Austin
- Suzanne Stege, Community Advisor, Tennis Player at Pharr Tennis Center
- Brian Graham-Moore, Community Advisor, Tennis Player at Pharr Tennis Center and Cherrywood Neighborhood Resident
- Joel Nolan, AIPP Panel Liaison
- Maria Luisa "Lulu" Flores, Austin Arts Commission, District 9

## Tentative Schedule

### 2020

**August:** Request for Qualifications (RFQ) released

**September:** Artist Information Meeting

**October:** Call closes

**November:** Jury review of applications; Artist Interviews

**December:** Approval of artist and alternate by the AIPP Panel and Arts Commission

### 2021

**January:** Artist design + commission contract executed; AIPP Project Kick-Off Meeting

**February – March:** Artist community engagement

**April:** Court renovation construction starts; Mid-Design review by AIPP Panel

**June:** Final Design review by the AIPP Panel and Arts Commission

**July – September:** Fabrication

**October:** Installation

**December:** Renovation construction complete; Artwork dedication