



City of Emeryville

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MEMORANDUM

DATE: September 20, 2016

TO: Carolyn Lehr, City Manager

FROM: Charles S. Bryant, Community Development Director

SUBJECT: **Resolution Of The City Council Of The City Of Emeryville Accepting *Weavings And Waterways*, A Mural By Kelly Ording On The South And West Wall Of The Teen Center At The Emeryville Center Of Community Life, As Complete**

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the City Council adopt the attached resolution accepting Kelly Ording's *Weavings and Waterways* mural at the Teen Center at the Emeryville Center of Community Life as complete.

BACKGROUND

On April 10, 2015 the City released a national Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for visual artists or visual art teams through the on-line, national Call for Entry (CaFE) for art installations to be placed at the Emeryville Center of Community Life (ECCL). By May 29, 2015, the City had received 150 applicants. On September 1, 2015 the City Council appointed a seven-member Selection Panel to review the proposals and narrow them to a finalist group. On November 12, 2015, the Public Art Committee (PAC) reviewed proposals submitted by finalists Kelly Ording, Pete Beeman, Joyce Hsu, Paul Vexler and Madeline Wiener; the Selection Panel, and the PAC recommended proceeding with the commission of conceptual proposals from each of the five finalists.

On April 14, 2016 the PAC recommended implementing Kelly Ording's *Weavings and Waterways* mural proposal at the ECCL Teen Center Room with a budget of \$40,000, along with proposals from two other artists. On May 17, 2016, the City Council approved the commission of the works.

Ms. Ording began work on the mural on July 3, 2016, and on July 26 the work was sealed with an anti-graffiti coating. *Weavings and Waterways* were featured at the ECCL's ribbon cutting and community celebration with the artist on-site to answer questions. A plaque highlighting the artist's inspiration was hung adjacent to the piece.

DISCUSSION

Pursuant to Section 9.2 of the Agreement for Design, Fabrication, Transportation and Installation of Art Work for the Emeryville Center of Community Life Public Art Project between the City and Kelly Ording (the "Contract"), the final Interim Payment to Ms. Ording is contingent upon City Council's approval of the art work. Section 6.4 of the Contract sets forth conditions of final acceptance by the City Council, including design and fabrication milestone approvals, timely installation performed in conformance to the approved final design, approval by the City's project manager, and the City's receipt of artwork documentation and final maintenance plan.

The Art in Public Places fund (Fund 243) will be used for on-going maintenance of the work. Ms. Ording has coated the mural with anti-graffiti coating that can be cleaned with TSW2 Multi-Master™ Graffiti and Stain Remover. The frequency of the need for graffiti removal has not yet been determined, but is assumed to be low because the site is staffed and the installation is on the interior of the building.

The work to install *Weavings and Waterways* is now complete, has been approved by the City's project manager, and the necessary documentation has been received. Therefore, staff recommends that the City Council adopt the attached resolution formally accepting the *Weavings and Waterways* as complete.

FISCAL IMPACT

By accepting this artwork as complete, the City assumes the responsibility of maintenance of the artwork. The Capital Improvement Program (CIP) adopted by the City Council in June 2016 includes funding from the Art in Public Places Fund for art installations at the Emeryville Center of Community Life (ECCL), including *Weavings and Waterways*. The artwork design, fabrication and installation were completed within budget, and sufficient funding is available in the Art in Public Places Fund for maintenance.

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**APPROVED AND FORWARDED TO THE
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EMERYVILLE:**



Carolyn Lehr, City Manager

Attachments:

1. Resolution
2. Exhibit A, Image of Completed Work