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CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH

TO: HON. MAYOR, CHAIRPERSON, AND CITY COUNCIL

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SUBJECT: ART IN PUBLIC PLACES (AIPP) PROGRAM UPDATES

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CC: GENERAL PUBLIC

Background:

City Council previously directed City staff to research the elements required to implement a thriving, vibrant, and unique Art in Public Places (AIPP) Program. As staff researched existing programs in other municipalities, several core elements of successful AIPP Programs emerged:

1. A dedicated program facilitator
2. An art master plan
3. An art advisory board
4. An established funding source

At previous Council Meetings on July 15th, 2020, and September 8th, 2020, this item was discussed to clarify a direction for a City of Riviera Beach public art program. There was consensus that the council is not supportive of creating mandatory land development fees to fund a public art program. Therefore, remaining program funding options include incentivized but voluntary participation by land developers, budget allocations from the general fund, partnership with the CRA, grants, and capital project funding.

Since this item was last discussed before council, Development Services staff has taken steps to frame what an AIPP program could be in Riviera Beach. Staff has engaged experienced individuals in the local art community to discuss a framework for a program and the necessary advisory board. Additionally, staff has begun conversations to determine the essential components of an art master plan to develop a scope of work for a future solicitation. Staff believes close work with the Legal Department and engaging a consulting firm will be required to prepare this item for a council vote.