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CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH – MEMORANDUM

TO: MAYOR, CHAIRPERSON, AND CITY COUNCIL

FROM: CLARENCE SIRMONS, AICP, DIRECTOR, DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

THROUGH: JONATHAN EVANS MPA, MBA, ICMA-CM , CITY MANAGER

SUBJECT: RESOLUTION 127-21 –ART IN PUBLIC PLACES

DATE: NOVEMBER 3, 2021

Background:

Since 2008 the City of Riviera Beach has endeavored to establish an Art in Public Places Program (AIPP). The most recent effort began in 2020 after a Council member reintroduced this subject to the current Council. After that presentation, City Council directed staff to research the elements required to implement a successful, vibrant, and unique AIPP program. Staff researched AIPP programs in other municipalities and identified several core elements that were present in the successful programs; 1) a dedicated program administrator, 2) an AIPP Master Plan, 3) an Art Advisory Board, and 4) dedicated funding source(s).

At the July 15, 2020 and September 8, 2020 Council meetings, this item was discussed with the purpose of clarifying a direction for a City of Riviera Beach public art program. There was consensus that Council was not supportive of creating mandatory land development fees for funding a public art program, however, staff identified alternative program funding options including incentivized-voluntary participation by land developers, budget allocations from the general fund, partnership with the CRA, AIPP 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 engaged experienced individuals in the local art community to discuss a framework for the program and the importance of forming a knowledgeable AIPP Advisory Board. Additionally, staff recognizes the importance of encouraging community participation in creating the program and believes engaging an experienced consulting firm would advance that process. Therefore, staff has begun conversations to determine the necessary components of an AIPP Master Plan and scope of work

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for a future solicitation. The AIPP Master Plan and an associated ordinance would be presented to City Council at a later date.

Approval of the resolution before you will accomplish four things:

1. Establish Art in Public Places as a priority program for the City.
2. Direct the Development Services Department to lead in the development of the City's Art in Public Places Master Plan using methods including, facilitated group processes, a committee task force of art experts and professionals, and engaging members of the Riviera Beach community.
3. Allow the Development Services Department to spend up to \$35,000 in the development of an Art in Public Places Master Plan.
4. Directs the Development Services Department, upon completion of the Art in Public Places Master Plan, to prepare an ordinance consistent with the Master Plan and recommendations of the task force.

Citywide Goal:

Build Great Neighborhoods.

Budget/Fiscal Impact:

Staff is requesting authorization to expend up to \$35,000 in funds currently allocated for Development Services professional services for art in public places activities.

Recommendation(s):

City staff recommends approval of Resolution 127-21.

Attachments:

1. Resolution 127-21
2. Staff Report
3. AIPP Municipal Comparisons
4. Research Notes
5. List of Programs In Florida
6. Coral Gables 5 Year AIPP Plan
7. Marathon RFT for AIPP Program
8. Pt. St. Lucie AIPP Master Plan
9. Pt. St. Lucie Public Art Requirements
10. 2008 CORB Failed AIPP Proposal
11. September 23rd P&Z Board Minutes

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