



General Services Agency

COUNTY OF TULARE AGENDA ITEM

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AGENDA DATE: May 2, 2023

Public Hearing Required	N/A
Scheduled Public Hearing w/Clerk	N/A
Published Notice Required	N/A
Advertised Published Notice	N/A
Meet & Confer Required	N/A
Budget Transfer (Aud 308) attached	N/A
Personnel Resolution attached	N/A
Agreement(s) attached	N/A

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SUBJECT: County Public Art Policy and Administrative Regulation No. 37
Revisions

REQUEST(S):

That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Approve and adopt revisions to the County Public Art Policy regarding the County's substantive and procedural requirements for the acceptance of art into the County Art Collection, to be effective upon Board approval.
2. Approve and adopt revisions to Administrative Regulation No. 37 (AR37), delegating authority to accept "Gifts and Donations" of art to the Public Art Selection Committee, subject to conditions defined therein, to be effective upon Board approval.

SUMMARY:

On April 30, 2019, the Board approved the Policy for Public Art on Tulare County Property (Art Policy). The Art Policy provides formal guidance for the County's public art initiative regarding the identification of County locations for the display of artwork, the solicitation of temporary and permanent installations, and the establishment of criteria for artwork selection.

On July 9, 2019, in accordance with the Art Policy, the Board created the Public Art Selection Committee (Committee) comprised of two sitting Board of Supervisor members, the General Services Agency (GSA) Director or designee, and interested Department Heads or designees selected by the relevance of projects. The County contracts with the Official Arts Council of Tulare County (currently the Tulare County Arts Consortium) for the solicitation and selection of art.

The Committee is responsible for reviewing art pieces in accordance with the Art Selection Criteria in the Art Policy and deciding which pieces to display in County

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locations. To date, the County has art collections located at Government Plaza and Human Resources and Development, with a current RFP for the Board of Supervisors/County Administrative Office underway. The County also partners with the Arts Consortium for mural works and other special projects, as requested.

Since the establishment of the Policy nearly four years ago, the program has grown. As such, the proposed revisions to the Policy support this expansion by including sections on donations, art ownership, and inventory management.

Additionally, there is currently no reference to donations of artwork to the County in Administrative Regulation 37 (AR37). The proposed revisions to AR37 would allow the GSA Director to accept donations of artwork in consultation with the Public Art Selection Committee. The donation threshold is recommended to be set at \$10,000 as long as it satisfies the art evaluation criteria, donation selection criteria, and procedural requirements set forth in the Public Art Policy. The GSA Director shall report to the Board twice each year regarding all such donations, except, if donations from a single source within a single fiscal year reach an aggregate value in excess of \$50,000, quarterly reports to the Board are required thereafter.

The proposed Policy changes and inclusion in AR37 were reviewed by the Public Art Selection Committee on January 25, 2023 and recommended to be brought forward to the Board.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING:

There is no Net County Cost to the General Fund.

LINKAGE TO THE COUNTY OF TULARE STRATEGIC BUSINESS PLAN:

Tulare County's Strategic Plan includes the Quality of Life initiative. The Public Art Project will improve the appearance of County buildings and enhance public spaces for County employees and the community.

ADMINISTRATIVE SIGN-OFF:

/s/Brooke Sisk

Brooke Sisk
General Services Agency Director

Cc: County Administrative Office

Attachments: AR37 / County Public Art Policy