

SANTA BARBARA COUNTY BOARD AGENDA LETTER



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TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Ginny Brush, Executive Director
Arts Commission

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SUBJECT: Recommendations regarding 2006 State of the Art Gallery

Recommendations:

That the Board of Supervisors: 1. Authorize the execution of a contract with the City of Santa Barbara, in the amount of \$36,000, for FY06/07 to cover expenses for a temporary sculpture art exhibit in the 700 through 1200 blocks of State Street.

Alignment with Board Strategic Plan:

The recommendations are primarily aligned with Goal No. 1. An Efficient Government Able to Anticipate and Respond Effectively to the Needs of the Community; and Goal No. 5. A High Quality of Life for all Residents.

Executive Summary and Discussion:

The City of Santa Barbara, as a part of its overall arts effort, wishes to contract with the Santa Barbara County Arts Commission to develop, curate and administer the State of the Art Gallery, a temporary public art exhibition space defined by nine installation sites along both sides of State Street between the Cota and Victoria Streets. The license agreement defines the responsibilities of the Arts Commission in implementing the public art exhibition on State Street. The contract provides funds from the City of Santa Barbara Redevelopment Agency.

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A Curatorial Committee, comprised of representatives from the Historic Landmarks Commission, Arts Advisory Committee, Visual Art in Public Places Committee, Downtown Organization, Santa Barbara Museum of Art and the Contemporary Arts Forum, has been working with a professional curator and has overseen the selection of artwork for the 2006 State of the Art Gallery. For this year's gallery, which will be on display from September 1 to mid- November 2006, all of the selected sculptures will feature regional artists.

The proposed agreement will allow the Arts Commission to contract with the exhibit curator and will require that the Commission secure loan agreements with the artist, galleries, or private collectors to acquire artwork on a temporary basis. The Arts Commission will be required to contract with the City for License agreements to allow encroachments in the City's Right of Way and will be required to obtain Public Works Construction Permits for each art installation. The Arts Commission will be responsible for any contracts relating to the shipping, installation, insurance, maintenance, removal, and repair of the artwork and/or License Areas.

Mandates and Service Levels:

No Change in programs or service level.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

There is no increase in the County's General Fund Contribution to the Arts Commission. Appropriations for the contract are a pass through for FY 2006/07 Arts Commission budget and are included in the FY 2006/07 budget. Revenue from this contract will initially be deposited into the Arts Trust Fund (#1001) and transferred to the General Fund to reimburse actual expenses.

Special Instructions:

Please send two (2) copies and one (1) original of the "Redevelopment Agency Agreement For State Street Art Projects" between the County of Santa Barbara and the Redevelopment Agency of the City of Santa Barbara to Brenda Alcazar, Chief Deputy City Clerk, City of Santa Barbara. Please send one (1) copy of the Agreement to Linda Gardy, Departmental Analyst, County Arts Commission.

Concurrence:

Auditor-Controller

County Counsel

Risk Manager