

## **MEMORANDUM**

OCMFA Agenda Item No. MFA.E. 9/29/2015

## The City of **OKLAHOMA CITY**

TO: Chairman and Trustees of the Oklahoma City Municipal Facilities Authority

FROM: James D. Couch, City Manager/General Manager, OCMFA

Public Art Commission Agreement with Jonathon Hils, to provide public art entitled "SEED" to be installed at Will Rogers Park, 3400 North Portland Avenue, not to exceed \$20,000. Ward 2.

Location 3400 North Portland Avenue

Background Insurance funds have been received by The Oklahoma Municipal Facilities Authority to allow replacement of an Armillary Sundial by Richard Muno, reported missing from a storage yard on October 21, 2014, just prior to its intended installation in Will Rogers Park. The selection process for replacement artwork was facilitated by the Office of Arts & Cultural Affairs and included the Parks & Recreation Department. The replacement artwork sought was envisioned as a sculptural work to be placed upon a newly constructed pedestal at the northern end of Will Rogers Park, adjacent to a trail.

On May 15, 2015, the Selection Committee met and reviewed submissions from the Pre-Qualified Artist Pool for projects under \$25,000. The Committee screened the work of 56 artists and selected three finalists. Each finalist was paid a fee of \$500 to attend a mandatory site tour on June 8, 2015, and develop a site specific project design which they presented to the Selection Committee on July 13, 2015. The Selection Committee evaluated each artist's design and recommended awarding the artist agreement to Jonathon Hils.

The Oklahoma City Arts Commission held a regularly scheduled meeting on August 17, 2015 (Item No. III), and voted to concur with the Selection Committee's recommendation.

The Oklahoma City Park Commission approved the replacement of art at this location at its regularly scheduled meeting on August 19, 2015 (Item No. IV.).

Through a Joint Resolution adopted by The Oklahoma Municipal Facilities Authority and The City of Oklahoma City on September 1, 2015 (Item Nos. MFA.D. and VII.Z.), staff was authorized to negotiate an agreement with Jonathon Hils for new artwork.

Cost Not to exceed \$20,000.

Source of FundsOCMFAServices/Risk/Property& Liability/RiskManagementMFA/Property Claims (OCMFA-682-1452-2800750-52190004)

Review Planning Department

<u>Recommendation:</u> Agreement be approved.