

Memorandum



Date: March 11, 2025

To: Chair and Members
Art in Public Places Trust

From: Marialaura Leslie, Director
Department of Cultural Affairs

Subject: Trust Resolution No. APPT 25-10 / Carrington Ware– Wellspring Apartments / Professional Artist Services Agreement

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RESOLUTION APPROVING A PROFESSIONAL ARTIST SERVICES AGREEMENT IN SUBSTANTIALLY THE FORM ATTACHED WITH CARRINGTON WARE IN THE FIXED FEE AMOUNT OF \$128,000.00 FOR DESIGN, FABRICATION, AND INSTALLATION OF THE ARTWORK FOR THE WELLSRING APARTMENT PROJECT (FROM MIAMI-DADE COUNTY PEOPLE AND INTERNAL OPERATIONS DEPARTMENT PUBLIC ART FUNDS)

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Art in Public Places Trust approve a Professional Artist Services Agreement in substantially the form attached with Carrington Ware in the fixed fee amount of \$128,000.00 for the design, fabrication, and installation of the artwork for the Wellspring Apartment project.

Background

A meeting of the Professional Advisory Committee (PAC) was held on February 20, 2025 to review design proposals from a group of seven (7) artists shortlisted from a regional Call to Artists for a series of public art opportunities at the new Wellsprings Apartment development located in the City of Opa-locka at 14703 NW 27th Avenue, FL 33054. This public-private development consists of a new 99-unit low-income senior housing facility with an access-controlled surface parking lot and several residential amenities including community, computer, and mail rooms. Opportunities for public art included artist-designed tile or durable stencil applications for focal areas of the facility's exterior, works that would enhance the patio area and/or the underside of the covered concrete slab terrace, as well as large-scale installation or two-dimensional artwork for the ground floor lobby.

The PAC unanimously recommended commissioning Dania Beach-based artist Carrington Ware to pursue her concept of creating 15-20 unique designs to be digitally printed onto ceramic tile and installed at key areas of the building including the walls flanking the entrance and the columns and walls surrounding the covered patio facing the facility's south façade. The designs are inspired by everyday items such as bamboo earrings, embellishments, food and historical elements, and local flora and fauna combined with Moorish shapes. The resulting pattern reflects the diverse cultural background and demographics of the Opa-locka community.

Of the total artwork allocation for commissioning new work at this facility, APP staff recommends a total budget allocation of \$128,000.00 for this artwork commision and the approval of Trust

Resolution No. APPT 25-10 authorizing a Professional Artist Services Agreement in substantially the form attached with Carrington Ware in the fixed amount of \$128,000.00 for design, fabrication, and installation of the artwork for the Wellsprings Apartments project.