


Memorandum



Date: January 9, 2024
To: Chair and Members
 Art in Public Places Trust
From: Marialaura Leslie, Director 
 Department of Cultural Affairs
Subject: Trust Resolution No. APPT 24-01 / D Art Inc / Civil and Probate Courthouse /
 Addendum I

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RESOLUTION APPROVING ADDENDUM I TO THE PROFESSIONAL ARTIST SERVICES AGREEMENT IN SUBSTANTIALLY THE FORM ATTACHED WITH D' ART, INC. (LEAD ARTIST EDOUARD DUVAL-CARRIE) IN THE FIXED FEE AMOUNT OF \$365,000.00 FOR PHASE II - FABRICATION AND INSTALLATION OF THE ARTWORK PROJECT FOR THE NEW CIVIL AND PROBATE COURTHOUSE MAIN LOBBY (FROM MIAMI-DADE COUNTY INTERNAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT PUBLIC ART FUNDS)

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Art in Public Places Trust approve Addendum I to the Professional Artist Services Agreement in substantially the form attached with D' Art, Inc. (lead artist Edouard Duval-Carrié) in the fixed fee amount of \$365,000.00 for Phase II - Fabrication and Installation of the artwork project for the new Civil and Probate Courthouse main lobby.

Background

A meeting of the Professional Advisory Committee (PAC) was held from January 25 - 27, 2022 to review design proposals from a group of seventeen (17) artists shortlisted from a National Call to Artists for a combined series of public art opportunities for the new Civil and Probate Courthouse, located in Downtown Miami on NW 1st Ave between Flagler St and NW 1st Street. At this meeting, the PAC recommended the commissioning of Miami-based artist Edouard Duval-Carrié to create 2 monumental paintings to be prominently featured by the main lobby reception desk area. The proposal concept highlighted the grandeur and beauty of the Everglades and the distinct flora and fauna found in the natural landscape of South Florida. The work would also capture the formation of this vast natural environment and highlights the importance of this Florida aquifer to our region's drinking water. The palette would be aligned with the artist's signature approach of vibrant blues, greens, and dark tones enhanced by a shimmering effect, and be created with the appropriate scale and perspectival techniques for an optimal viewing experience.

On February 14, 2023, through approval of Trust Resolution No. APPT 23-08, the Trust authorized a total budget of \$485,000.00 for Edouard Duval-Carrié's recommended artwork commission and an initial artist's contract in the amount of \$120,000.00 to refine the concepts for the two (2) monumental paintings and to perform all the design-related scope of work. To date, the artist has completed the two hand drawings that will serve as the basis for the two monumental paintings and has produced a scaled mockup for assessment of the artwork's detail, texture, and proposed color scheme. In addition to the mockup, the artist has developed an engineered

solution for the safe and permanent installation of the two (2) large works, each comprised of six (6) smaller sections, perfectly aligned to give the illusion of a seamless monumental surface. All artwork materials and documentation developed to date have been reviewed and approved by APP staff and project partners including Miami-Dade County Internal Services Department (ISD) and the courthouse's team of administrative judges.

Given the substantial completion of the artwork's design development and the courthouse's accelerated construction schedule, APP staff recommends the approval of Trust Resolution No. APPT 24-01 authorizing Addendum I to the Professional Artist Services Agreement with D' Art, Inc. (lead artist Edouard Duval-Carrié) in the fixed fee amount of \$365,000.00 for Phase II - Fabrication and Installation of the artwork project at the new Civil and Probate Courthouse main lobby.