

# Memorandum



**Date:** April 12, 2022

**To:** Chair and Members  
Art in Public Places Trust

**From:** Michael Spring, Director  
Department of Cultural Affairs

**Subject:** Trust Resolution No. APPT 22-11 / Philip Smith – Embassair at Miami OPA / Professional Artist Services Agreement

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## **Trust Resolution No. APPT 22-11**

RESOLUTION APPROVING A PROFESSIONAL ARTIST SERVICES AGREEMENT IN SUBSTANTIALLY THE FORM ATTACHED WITH PHILIP SMITH IN THE FIXED FEE AMOUNT OF \$70,000.00 FOR ACQUISITION OF ARTWORKS FOR THE EMBASSAIR GATE 301 PROJECT AT MIAMI-OPA LOCKA EXECUTIVE AIRPORT (FROM MIAMI-DADE AVIATION DEPARTMENT-EMBASSAIR GATE 301 PUBLIC ART FUNDS)

### **Recommendation**

It is recommended that the Art in Public Places Trust approve the Professional Artist Services Agreement in substantially the form attached with Philip Smith in the fixed fee amount of \$70,000.00 for acquisition of artworks for the Embassair Gate 301 project at Miami-Opa Locka Executive Airport.

### **Background**

A meeting of the Professional Advisory Committee (PAC) was held on March 31, 2022 to review design presentations from seven (7) artists invited to create proposals for various interior opportunities at the new Embassair Gate 301 terminal at the Miami-Opa Locka Executive Airport (OPA.) Opportunities included two-dimensional wall applications and functional sculptural elements for various interior spaces including conference rooms, executive offices and corridors

Miami-based artist Philip Smith was recommended by the PAC for the opportunity to acquire or commission a large-scale oil pastel on canvas from his recent series Night Sky featuring the artist's signature lexicon of esoteric symbols. The PAC also recommended the commissioning of a triptych installation entitled Earth Maps incorporating a unique edition of three original photographic prints on aluminum featuring an abstracted globe portrayed in vibrant colors.

APP staff recommends approval of Trust Resolution No. APPT 22-11 authorizing a Professional Artist Services Agreement in substantially the form attached with Philip Smith in the fixed fee amount of \$70,000.00 for the acquisition of a series of two-dimensional works for the Embassair Gate 301 project at Miami-Opa Locka Executive Airport. The recommended fee amount is inclusive of any required framing and/or installation service.