

Memorandum



Date: June 14, 2022

To: Chair and Members
Art in Public Places Trust

From: Michael Spring, Director
Department of Cultural Affairs

Subject: Trust Resolution No. APPT 22-22 / Rhea Leonard – Lincoln Gardens Phase 1 / Professional Artist Services Agreement

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RESOLUTION APPROVING A PROFESSIONAL ARTIST SERVICES AGREEMENT IN SUBSTANTIALLY THE FORM ATTACHED WITH RHEA LEONARD IN THE FIXED FEE AMOUNT OF \$50,000.00 FOR PHASE I - DESIGN AND PHASE II - FABRICATION AND INSTALLATION OF AN ARTWORK CONCEPT FOR THE LINCOLN GARDENS PHASE 1 PROJECT (FROM MIAMI-DADE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT – RELATED URBAN 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 Rhea Leonard in the fixed fee amount of \$50,000.00 for Phase I - Design and Phase II - Fabrication and Installation of an artwork concept for the Lincoln Gardens Phase 1 project.

Background

A meeting of the Professional Advisory Committee (PAC) was held on May 16, 2022 to review design presentations from five (5) artists invited to create proposals for various outdoor and interior opportunities throughout the first phase of the housing project known as Lincoln Gardens. The project is a redevelopment of a nine (9) acres site located in Miami's Brownsville neighborhood (4771 NW 24 Ct Miami FL 33142). The new facilities will provide public housing residents and low-income households with a variety of high-quality housing options and new community service facilities and amenities, including a community center. The project will include the construction of 4 garden-style walk-up buildings consisting of 126 units, an additional building consisting of 8 attached rental townhome units, 8 homeownership townhome units and 77 elderly units.

After careful deliberation with input from the client teams, and APP staff, the PAC unanimously recommended Miami-based artist Rhea Leonard to create a glass mosaic tile mural based on her original drawings of dancers of the African diaspora and to refine her proposal for a series of three-dimensional wall-based artworks incorporating layers of laser cut metal and hand painting. The PAC further recommended that APP staff and the client team work collaboratively with the artist to finalize the direction for her design development and the select locations most suitable for siting of her works.

APP staff recommends approval of Trust Resolution No. APPT 22-22 authorizing a Professional Artist Services Agreement in substantially the form attached with Rhea Leonard in the fixed fee amount of \$50,000.00 for Phase I - Design and Phase II - Fabrication and Installation of the artwork concept for the Lincoln Gardens Phase 1 project.