

COUNCIL ACTION FORM

SUBJECT: 2021/22 AMES ANNUAL OUTDOOR SCULPTURE EXHIBITION

BACKGROUND:

The Ames Annual Outdoor Sculpture Exhibition (AAOSE), the longest running program for the Public Arts Commission (PAC), will celebrate its 25th annual downtown exhibition in 2021. Through this program, artists submit sculptural entries to be displayed in Downtown Ames from May 2021 through April 2022. At the conclusion of the display, sculptures are available for purchase by private individuals or by PAC through the Neighborhood Art Program. This year, 41 AAOSE entries were received from 18 artists.

This year's entries were evaluated by a jury of Ames residents, who reviewed entry materials, met through video conferencing to discuss the entries, and then made their recommendations to PAC. The jurors selected 14 sculptures to be displayed. They also identified alternates in case selected sculpture(s) would become unavailable. PAC approved the recommendations and alternates at its meeting on March 3, 2021.

Attached are photographs and descriptions of the sculptures recommended for the 2021-22 AAOSE. Installation of the exhibit will take place in May after consultation with businesses near the proposed sites and any further risk analysis by City staff.

Artists will be paid a \$1,000 honorarium for each selected sculpture, and a Best-in-Show award of \$500 will be made to a winner determined by the public. The total expected expenditure is \$14,500. All additional expenses will be paid for through the PAC budget. Funding for the coming year's AAOSE exhibition was included in the City Council's 2020-21 Budget for the Public Art Commission.

ALTERNATIVES:

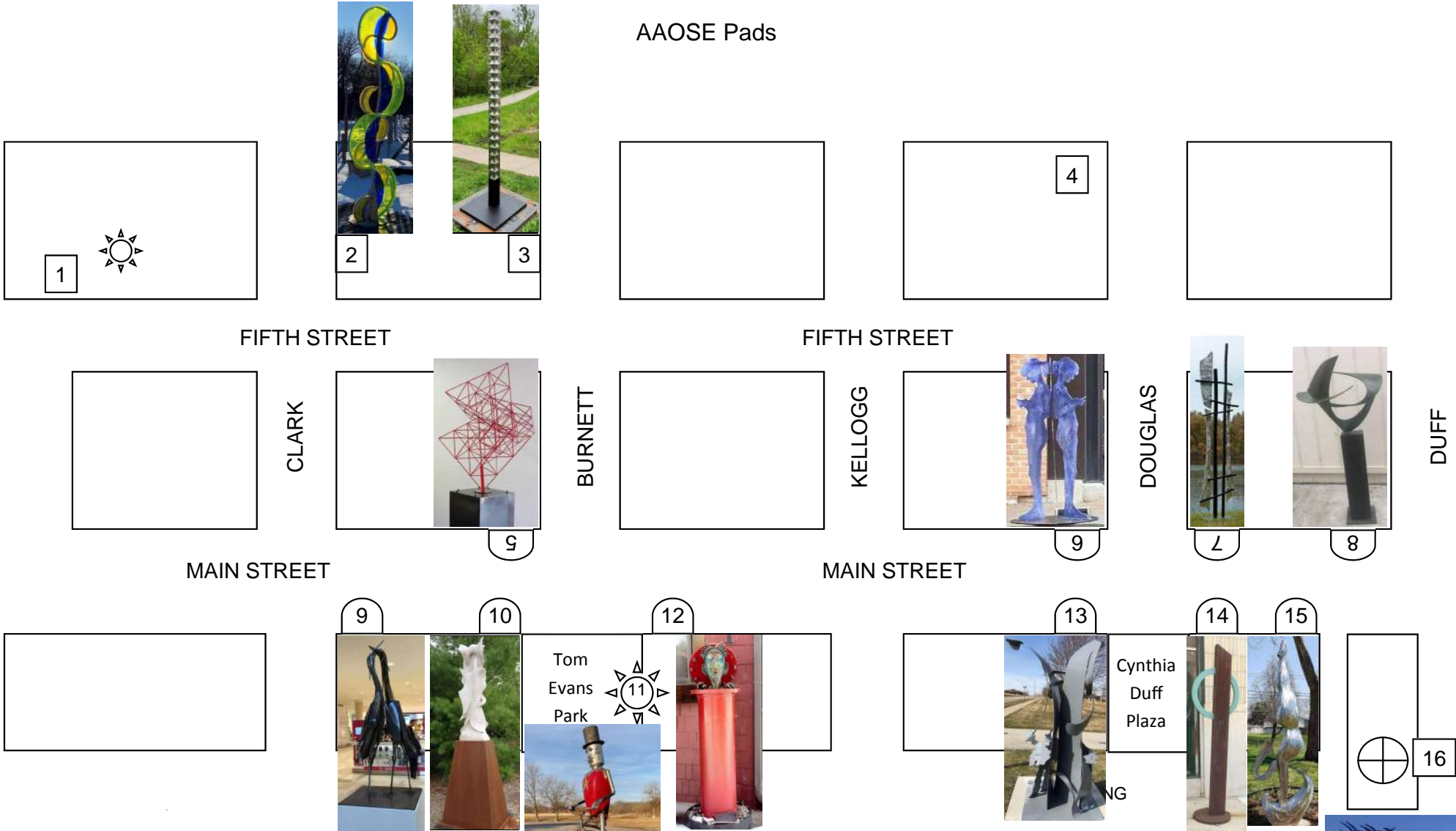
1. Authorize PAC to enter into agreements with artists for the exhibition of sculptures and make honorarium payments.
2. Do not approve the agreements.





CITY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDED ACTION:

This annual program allows for works of art to be displayed throughout the City. This program aligns with the City Council's value of a fun, vibrant community that attracts and retains people.

Therefore, it is the recommendation of the City Manager that the City Council adopt Alternative No. 1 as described above.

AAOSE Pads



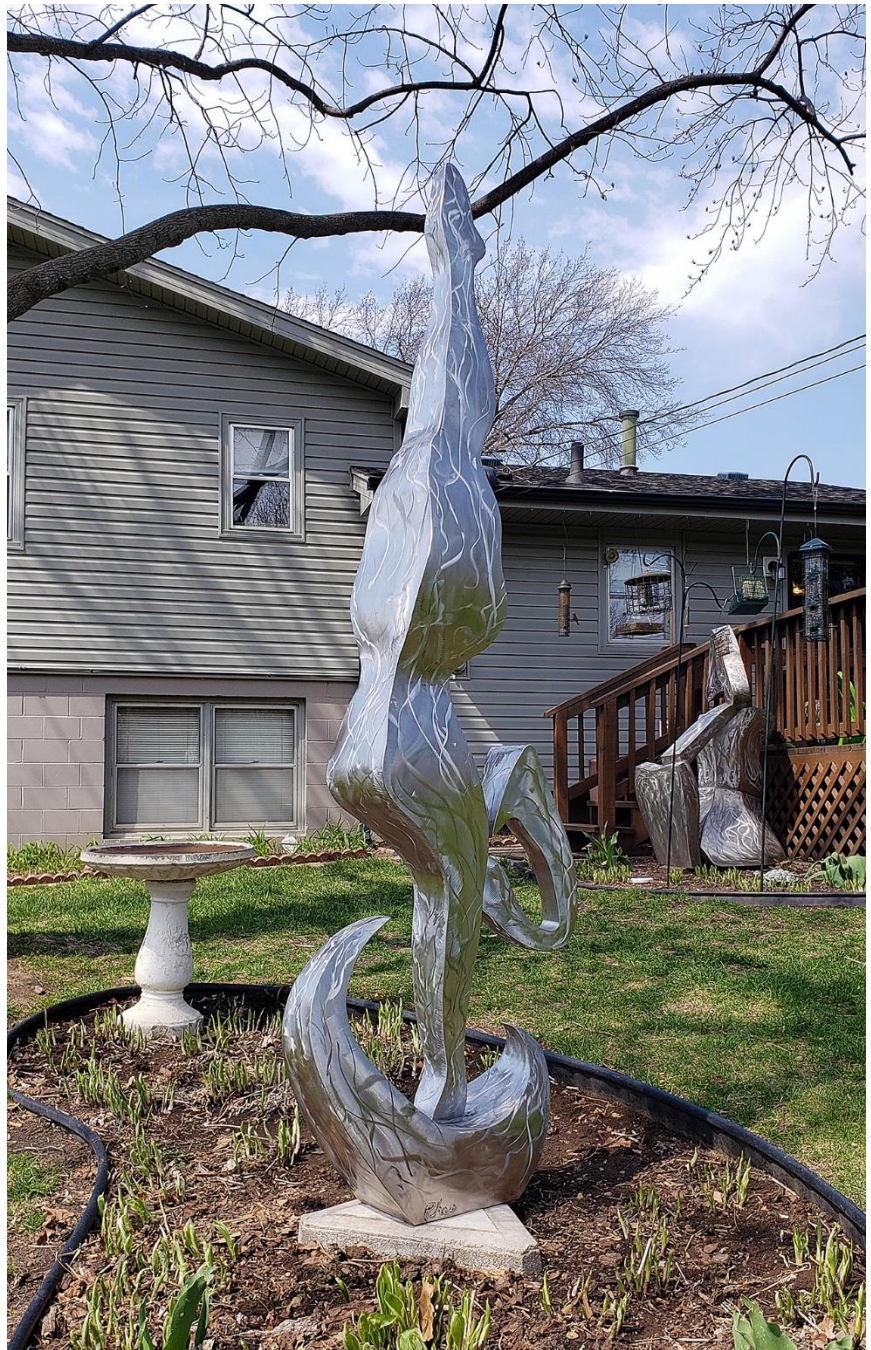
-  ← Pad 1 currently holds "Orange Dragon." Pad 11 holds "Air Base Guitar."
-  ← 42" square concrete pad at locations 1 & 3.
-  ← Planter extends into the street—the concrete pad is within the boundary of the planter.
 - 36" x 36" pads: 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12, 13, 14, 15.
 - 4' x 4' pad 4
 - 7' x 7' pad 2
- Note: Pads 1, 2, 3 are in the grass
-  ← Large pad—8' x 8',



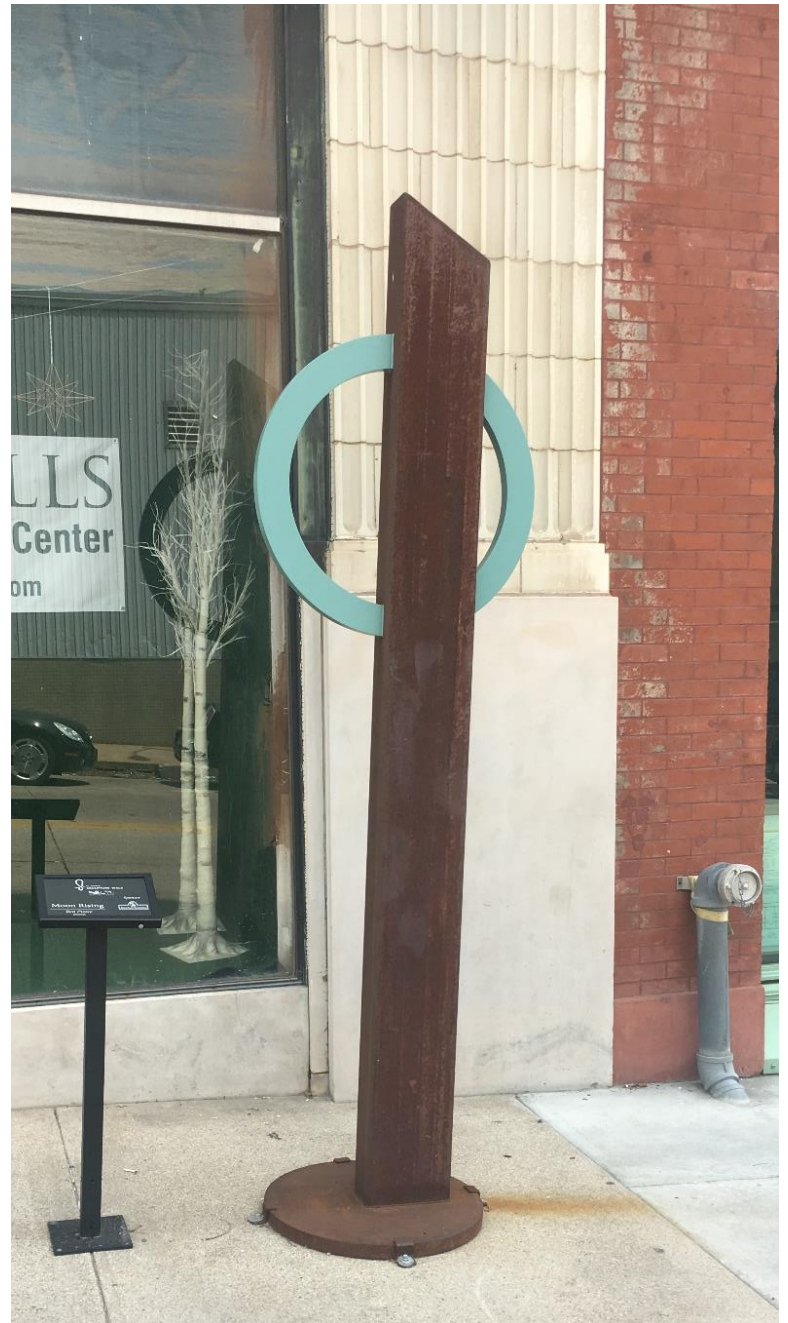
2021 Selections

Ames Annual Outdoor Sculpture
Exhibition

Splash
Albert Rhea
Stainless Steel
91"x12"
90 lbs.
2020
\$9,500



Moon Rising
Ben Pierce
Steel & Paint
10'x3'x2'
400 lbs., 2015, \$6,500



Oxbow
Tim Adams
Stainless Steel, Lexan
10'x4'x5'
300 lbs., 2021, \$4,000



Passage

James Bearden

Patinated Steel

63"x26"x24"

250 lbs., 2020

\$6,000



Who Rescued Who

Gail Chavenelle
Powder Coated
Mild Steel
7.5'x33"x33"
300 lbs., 2020
\$8,400



Flight
Hilde DeBruyne
Metal, Paint
7'x4'x3'
300 lbs., 2018, \$15,000



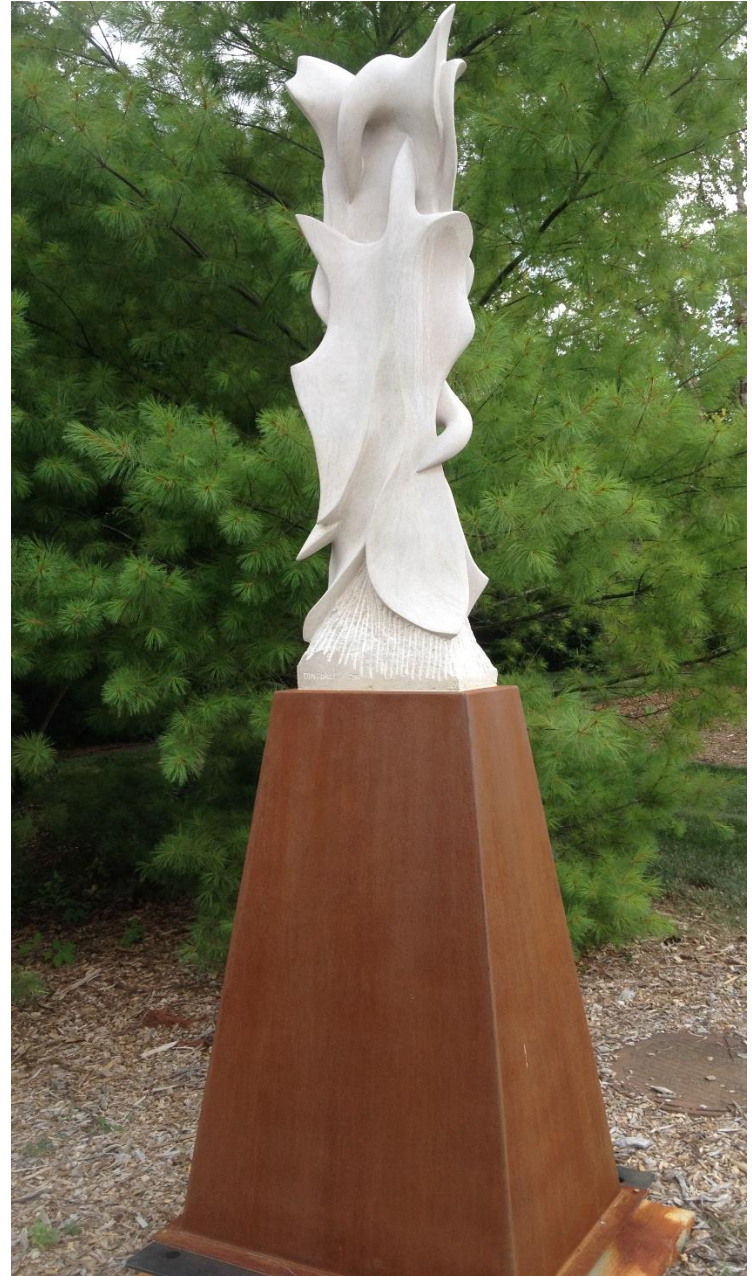
Peaceful Journey

Ron Dinsdale

Limestone

9'x3'x2.5'

2012, \$18,500



Crossroads

Jon Kamrath

Steel, Aluminum

8'x2'x1'

150 lbs.

2017

\$4,500



Vertical Memory

Sunghee Min
Stainless Steel

74"x24"x24"

100 lbs.

2019

\$7,000



Triangle Play
Sunghee Min
Painted Steel
93"x40"x30"
120 lbs., 2020, \$7,000



Riding High
Steve Reddell
Metal
102"x21"x69"
200 lbs., 2021, \$5,000



This is Living!?
Damian Radice
Bronze, Aluminum, Steel
63"x24"x24"
250 lbs., 2014, \$8,500



Slow Dancing

Judd Nelson

Hot Forged Steel

4'x2'x2"

350 lbs., 2018, \$9,700



Lost in Space
Judd Nelson
Laser Cut Plate Steel
5'6"x3'x3'
300 lbs., 2018, \$8,200

