

ITEM #: 15
DATE: 03-14-23
DEPT: Admin.

COUNCIL ACTION FORM

SUBJECT: 2023 NEIGHBORHOOD SCULPTURE PROGRAM ACCESSION

BACKGROUND:

The Public Art Commission (PAC) hosts an Ames Annual Outdoor Sculpture Exhibition (AAOSE). Each year, sculptures exhibited through AAOSE are available for purchase by private individuals. Additionally, PAC typically acquires several sculptures each year into the City's permanent art collection through the Neighborhood Sculpture Program. The Neighborhood Sculpture Program involves accepting applications from residents to have an AAOSE sculpture placed in on City property for residents to enjoy.

On March 7, 2023, PAC approved a recommendation that the City Council pursue accession of two sculptures for the Neighborhood Sculpture Program. The total acquisition cost of the two pieces is \$10,500. The FY 2022/23 Adjusted Budget for the PAC Neighborhood Sculpture Program contains a balance of \$22,809.

The works to be acquired and the proposed locations are detailed in the attached report from PAC.

ALTERNATIVES:

1. Approve the accession of two sculptures for the Neighborhood Sculpture Program as recommended by PAC.
2. Do not approve the accession of Neighborhood Sculpture Program artworks.

CITY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDED ACTION:

This annual program allows for works of art to be purchased for display in neighborhoods throughout the City. This 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.

Public Art Commission (PAC) Request for Accession
Neighborhood Sculpture Program

Item Identification Numbers: [completed by city staff]



Name: Symmetry

Artist: Tim Adams

AAOSE Exhibit Year: 2022-23

Material: Upcycled Steel

Acquisition cost: \$4,500

Recommendation: The Ames Public Art Commission recommends the acquisition of “Symmetry” for the permanent City of Ames art collection, to be placed at Sunset Ridge Park.

APPROVED for accession March 7, 2023 by the Ames Public Art Commission

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Item Identification Numbers: [completed by city staff]



Name: Heartbeat of the Heartland II

Artist: Zach Bowman

AAOSE Exhibit Year: 2022-23

Material: Stainless and mild steel

Acquisition cost: \$6,000

Recommendation: The Ames Public Art Commission recommends the acquisition of “Heartbeat of the Heartland II” for the permanent City of Ames art collection, to be placed at Indian Grass Court.

APPROVED for accession March 7, 2023 by the Ames Public Art Commission