

Management Analyst Luciana Torres introduced the item and reviewed the process in which interviews were to be conducted.

Chairperson Meerjans opened the public hearing in order to proceed with the interviews.

The following five candidates were interviewed and their art proposals were considered by the Board:

- Jeffrey Reed and Jennifer Madden for their proposed art concept, “*Becoming*”
- Michael Clapper for his proposed art concept, “*Community*”
- Ride Art for their proposed art concept, “*Blossom*”
- Ray King for his proposed art concept, “*Beacon*”
- Sijia Chen for her proposed art concept, “*Sprouted Dreams*”

Following the interviews, **Ben Helber**, Division Vice President at Toll Brothers, the developer for the Metro Crossing development and the Urban Plaza where the artwork will be located, briefly provided feedback on the art proposals and what the developer and residents would like to see at the site.

Chairperson Meerjans closed the public hearing.

Following deliberation, **Board Member Squires** moved to recommend to the City Council: Michael Clapper for his artwork titled “*Community*,” with a caveat that corten steel be used, and Ride Art for their artwork titled “*Blossom*,” with a caveat that the colors in their sculpture be modified. **Vice Chairperson Deridder** seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

IT WAS MOVED (SQUIRES/DERIDDER) AND CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE (5-0-0) THE ART REVIEW BOARD – HELD A PUBLIC HEARING;

AND

RECOMMENDED THAT THE CITY COUNCIL:

CONSIDER THE BOARD’S FIRST CHOICE, MICHAEL CLAPPER AND HIS PROPOSAL “*COMMUNITY*” WITH CORTEN STEEL, FOR THE PUBLIC ARTWORK INSTALLATION FOR THE URBAN PLAZA SITE WITHIN THE METRO CROSSING DEVELOPMENT IN THE WARM SPRINGS INNOVATION DISTRICT AND AS THE BOARD’S SECOND CHOICE, RIDE ART AND THEIR PROPOSAL “*BLOSSOM*” WITH A MODIFIED COLOR SCHEME

AND

FIND THAT THE PROJECT IS CATEGORICALLY EXEMPT FROM THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) PER CEQA GUIDELINES SECTION 15061(B)(3), GENERAL RULE, WHICH STATES THAT, WHERE IT CAN BE SEEN WITH CERTAINTY THAT THE ACTIVITY

WILL NOT HAVE A SIGNIFICANT EFFECT ON THE ENVIRONMENT, THAT ACTIVITY IS NOT SUBJECT TO CEQA.

The motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: 5 – Benton, Deridder, Meerjans, Squires, Valdez
NOES: 0
ABSTAIN: 0
ABSENT: 0

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

Information from Board and Staff:

- Information from staff, as reported by Management Analyst Luciana Torres:
 - The next regular meeting of the Art Review Board is scheduled for July 15, 2020 and the item to be discussed is artwork submissions for Dusterberry Neighborhood Park.
 - The Board will take a recess for the month of August.
 - The September meeting of the Art Review Board will likely include the topic of a possible mural program for Fremont.

- Information from Board: None

- Art Liaison Update – Christina Valdez: None

- Fremont Cultural Art Council Update: None

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 6:32 p.m.

APPROVED BY:



Luciana Torres, Secretary
Art Review Board