

**CITY OF ALBANY
CITY COUNCIL AGENDA
STAFF REPORT**

Agenda Date: November 1, 2010

Reviewed by: BP

SUBJECT: Resolution #2010-58 Gift to the City of a Mural to be installed in the Ocean View Community Organic Garden at Ocean View Park Mural

REPORT BY: Isabelle Leduc, Recreation Supervisor

ARTS COMMITTEE AND STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That Council approve resolution #2010-58 Gift to the City of a mural to be installed at the Ocean View Community Organic Garden in Ocean View Park.

BACKGROUND

The Ocean View Community Organic Garden Steering Committee (OVCOG) has proposed to create a 4'x8' mural to be displayed on the south inside chain link fence in the Ocean View Community Organic Garden at Ocean View Park. The OVCOG steering committee has selected two experienced artists to create the mural. The mural will be created on a primed plywood panel. The media used will be primer white paint, charcoal, acrylic paints, and mural varnish approved by the City of Albany Public Works Manager. The mural will be installed at a height of 10 feet on the fence. On October 11, Jackie Hermes-Fletcher, OVCOG Steering Committee representative, and Nube F. Cruz, one of the artists selected to make the mural, made a presentation to the Arts Committee which approved the mural project with a motion.

DISCUSSION

The objective of the mural is to have visual art be an important enhancement to the community gardeners and the citizens of Albany. The mural will be an inspiration to other gardens, providing art that our City will be proud of. The mural will be a positive contribution to our Community.

SCHEDULE

Muralists Nube Cruz and Olivia Levins Holden will sketch out the images in charcoal by the end of November, 2010. They will take the panel to a safe place to complete the painting of the mural by the end of December 2010 and it will debut in the garden by the end of January of 2011.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT

The finished mural will be initially varnished four times with a varnish approved by the City of Albany Public Works Manager to ensure that it does not incur water damage over the long term. The Steering Committee will be responsible for noticing and overseeing repairs on the mural and attempt to contact the artists before any repairs as they might want to be part of re-painting or re-varnishing of the mural.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

All short term and long term cost will be the responsibility of the OVCOG Steering Committee. The OVCOG Steering Committee estimates the cost of supplies at approximately \$250.00 and will hold additional fundraisers to pay the artists. Long term maintenance costs for the Garden Mural will be met through garden fees, as voted by the garden members, and yearly fundraisers.

Attachments

Attachment A - Resolution #2010-58

Attachment B - Artists resume

Attachment C- Mural sketch