

RESOLUTION NO. 2012-53

A RESOLUTION OF THE ALBANY CITY COUNCIL ALLOCATING ADDITIONAL ART IN PUBLIC PLACES FUND TO RESTORE THE HERONS SCULPTURE AT THE ALBANY BULB.

WHEREAS, in October 2007, the City of Albany adopted the Art in Public Places

Ordinance and the purposes of the Ordinance are to promote the acquisition, construction,
installation, restoration, and maintenance of public art pieces in Albany that will foster creativity,
freedom of expression, cultural awareness, civic pride, and strong sense of community; and

WHEREAS, the Herons was created by Mark Canepa in 1999 and the sculpture is now rusting and covered by graffiti and the artist submitted a proposal for on-site restoration in the amount of \$2,750.00; and

WHEREAS, the artist has since decided not to move forward with the restoration of the Herons per the proposal he had submitted due to high insurance costs and logistical difficulties associated with restoring the art piece on site.

WHEREAS, staff and the Arts Committee Chair met with Berkeley Choate from Walter Mork Company Inc. and Mr. Choate inspected the Herons and provided a quote for repairing the Herons.

WHEREAS, the repairing process will include stripping all paint and loose rust from the sculpture, painting the metal with "rust converter", welding in patches to cover holes in the sculpture, grinding smooth and applying primer and two coats of finish paint. All materials, tools and supplies will be brought on site daily and nothing will be left overnight. Signage will be erected to advise the public to stay clear of the area while repairs are underway.

WHEREAS, the proposed project fall within the scope of the Art in Public Places
Ordinance in that the Herons sculpture will be restored.

WHEREAS, repairs are expected to be performed in a professional manner that is safe for the environment and respectful of its surroundings.

WHEREAS, the original amount approved by the Council for the restoration of the Herons was \$2,750.00. The Arts Committee and staff are recommending that the Council approve allocating additional Art in Public Places funding not to exceed \$4,250 for a total of \$7,000.00 to complete the restoration of the Herons on site according to the quote provided by Walter Mork Company Inc.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Albany City Council hereby approves allocating additional Art in Public Places funding not to exceed \$4,250 to complete the restoration of the Herons on site according to the quote provided by Walter Mork Company Inc.

MAYOR Farid Javandel