

Centennial Project - Interlocal Agreement with City of Tacoma



Background



- In 2017 the Port of Tacoma began planning for a centennial celebration.
- 2018 marks the one-hundred-year anniversary of the Port of Tacoma.
- The commission approved several activities and a project budget for the celebration, including a budget item of \$100,000 for the creation of a centennial “legacy” project.

Additional Background



- Through several iterations staff was given direction to partner with the City of Tacoma and Tacoma Metro Parks in order to develop a piece of public art.
- After discussions with City staff it became clear that the best way to achieve this goal was to partner with the city, who has expertise in this process and the ownership and maintenance of large, public art installations.

Scope of Work - City of Tacoma



- Site identification
- Work with the City of Tacoma, Metro Parks, and Foss Waterway Development Authority to identify a site to permanently site the artwork
- Scope of Work and Call to Artists Development & Dissemination
- Application Intake
- Selection Panel Coordination
- Contract Development
- Project Development Design Review
- Fabrication and Installation Management
- Communication, Outreach, Collection Prep
- Provide stewardship and maintenance for the artwork as part of the Municipal Art Collection.
- Provide space for artist selection and meetings related to the project.

Scope of Work – Port of Tacoma



- Provide \$100,000 toward the commissioning of artwork and administration and management of the public art commissioning process
 - \$90,000 shall be committed to the commissioning of artwork
 - \$10,000 shall be committed toward administration
- Provide input regarding the scope of work and direction for the call to artists
- Provide access to and use of industrial materials that may be utilized by the artist in the creation of the artwork
- Participate on the selection and review panels with the understanding that the artist will include community stakeholders and a Tacoma Arts Commissioner
- Provide access to information and content regarding the Port and the Working Waterfront that may inform the artwork
- Assist in communications regarding the artwork and participate in coordinating a dedication
- The Port also may provide raw materials for the artwork in the form of shipping containers or surplus crane components

Financial Summary



Cost:

This cost was included in the POT 2018 budget.

Total Cost:

The ILA states the cost must not exceed \$100,000.

This installation will celebrate the rich heritage of the Port and will become a fixture of the community for many years into the future

The piece will become part of the cultural identity of Tacoma as it has developed a reputation for wonderful public art. That attention will, in turn, educate the public about the Port and its importance to the community

Alternatives Considered



Staff considered other options for the legacy project including:

- A museum exhibit
- Artwork in the tideflats on port property
- Not doing a legacy project as part of the centennial celebration

These options did not achieve the same outcome as the preferred option.



Next Steps



This item will come back to the commission for action at the 11/29 meeting





Questions?