

DATE: March 24, 2016

AGENDA ITEM # 8

TO: Public Arts Commission

FROM: Jon Maginot, Staff Liaison

SUBJECT: Discuss funding opportunities for public art

BACKGROUND

At the July 28, 2015 City Council meeting, the City Council held a Public Hearing to consider an ordinance establishing a Public Art Development Fee. Due to a recent court case involving the City of Oakland's Public Art Fee, the Council continued the Public Hearing to August 25, 2015. At the August 25, 2015 meeting, the City Council continued the Public Hearing indefinitely, but directed that staff report back to the Council at the October 27, 2015 meeting regarding the case and the proposed Public Art Development Fee. At that meeting, the Council continued the discussion to include consideration of other potential development fees.

DISCUSSION

The decision on the proposed Public Art Development Fee is still pending. In addition, the PAC has discussed other opportunities to fund public art, including grants. The Council approved a request to apply for grant funds at its December 8, 2015 meeting.

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