

MEMORANDUM

Council Agenda Item No. VII.Q. 5/31/2016

The City of **OKLAHOMA CITY**

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: James D. Couch, City Manager

Call to Artists, Request for Qualifications to be advertised, for Vietnam War Monument for Military Park, 1200 NW 25th Street. Ward 2.

Location 1200 NW 25th Street

Purpose To announce a Call to Artists for a monument depicting American and

South Vietnamese solidarity in their fight for democracy during the Vietnam War. This project is funded by the Vietnamese American Community of Oklahoma City and Metropolitan Areas and Oklahoma City's 1% for Art ordinance. Public artwork will be sought through this announcement with a budget not to exceed \$170,000 for the design, purchase, transport and installation of a life-size sculptural monument,

base, electricity, lighting and any required plaza modifications.

The artist selection process is expected to be completed by September 2016, with the new work anticipated for installation by the second quarter

of 2017.

Previous Action On September 15, 2009 (Item No. IX. A.) City Council adopted

Ordinance 23,935, establishing a requirement that 1% of budgeted expenditures for construction of new buildings, major renovation of existing buildings, and significant park development, located on City land

or right-of-way, be set aside for public art.

On May 27, 2014 (Item VI. BZ.) City Council adopted a resolution in support of this project's concept, in principal, after recommendation from

the Park Commission and Arts Commission.

On March 1, 2016 (Item No. VII. K.) City Council approved a Joint Public Art Agreement outlining the funding, administration, and selection

process.

Cost \$170,000

Source of Funds Special Purpose - 1 Percent For Art-RSTR – Culture and

Recreation - Donations-Art (750-1666-REV1500-43900016)

Receipt Date June 28, 2016 at 4:00:00pm

Review Planning Department

<u>Recommendation:</u> Call to artists. Request for qualifications be approved and the City Clerk authorized to advertise.