

**ADVISORY INFORMATION**

Date Prepared: April 26, 2011

Subject: **Central Corridor Light Rail Transit: Fabrication and Installation of Public Artwork for 15 Central Corridor Light Rail Transit Stations**

**Proposed Action:**

That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to issue notices-to-proceed to five public artists for fabrication and installation work in an amount not to exceed \$392,000 per artist. The cumulative amount of the notices-to-proceed is not to exceed \$1.96 million.

**Summary of Committee Discussion / Questions:**

Alicia Vap gave a presentation on the item. Councilmember Schreiber asked whether the artwork is required by the FTA. Vap indicated artwork is strongly encouraged by the FTA. Councilmember Munt noted that public involvement in the design of a station creates a feeling of neighborhood ownership, discouraging vandalism, littering, etc. Councilmember Elkins added that this is an important part of placemaking around the stations, giving each station area an identity and sense of community. Councilmember Doan recused himself because his employer is involved in CCLRT. A motion was made by Councilmember Munt, seconded by Councilmember Reynoso, and then approved.

**T** Transportation Committee  
Meeting date: April 25, 2011

Metropolitan Council Meeting: May 11, 2011

**ADVISORY INFORMATION**

**Date:** April 15, 2011  
**Subject:** Central Corridor Light Rail Transit: Fabrication and Installation of Public Artwork for 15 Central Corridor Light Rail Transit Stations  
**District(s), Member(s):** All  
**Policy/Legal Reference:** Central Corridor Light Rail Transit Procurement of Public Artist Contracts  
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**Division/Department:** Metro Transit/ Central Corridor Project Office

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**Background**

On October 22, 2008, the Metropolitan Council authorized the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute professional services contracts with five artists to create public art for the original 15 Central Corridor Light Rail Transit (CCLRT) stations for \$560,000 per artist (approximately \$187,000 per station).

The Artists' contracts include three phases: Phase I Preliminary Design, Phase II Final Design and Completion of Construction Documents, and Phase III Fabrication and Installation.

The October 22, 2008 action authorized the Regional Administrator to issue notices-to-proceed to the artists for preliminary and advanced preliminary design work.

On April 28, 2010, the Metropolitan Council authorized the Regional Administrator to issue notices-to-proceed to the five public artists for final design and construction documentation.

The five artists and their assigned stations are as follows:

- Myklebust and Sears – Union Depot, Raymond Avenue, and Westgate
- Roberto Delgado – 4<sup>th</sup> and Cedar Streets, Snelling Avenue, and Stadium Village
- Janet Lofquist – 10<sup>th</sup> Street, Capitol East, and 29<sup>th</sup> Avenue
- Seitu Jones – Rice Street, Dale Street, and Lexington Parkway
- Nancy Blum – Fairview Avenue, East Bank, and West Bank

**Rationale**

Phase III authorization will allow the artists to complete their fabrication and installation of artwork for each station, per the project schedule.

**Funding**

Funding is available from the CCLRT Project budget.

**Known Support / Opposition**

The project partners and the community support integrating public art at CCLRT stations.