




## MEMORANDUM

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Date: September 14, 2023

To: Community Redevelopment Agency

Via: Albert P. Childress   
City Manager

From: Steve McAlearney  
Director Port & Marine Services

Subject: Confirming the Key West Art in Public Places (AIPP) Board Unanimous Selection for RFP 22-006: Public Art for Key West Historic Seaport

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### Introduction

Resolution confirming AIPP Board ranking of firms submitting responses to RFP 22-006: Public Art for Key West Historic Seaport and authorize City Manager to negotiate and, pursuant to legal review, enter into a contract with the highest ranked proposer Ferrill & Trentlage.

### Background

The Key West Bight Management District Board (Board) desires to have a visual attraction at the end of Greene Street that will drive foot traffic from Duval Street to the Bight. After several years of internal coordination with city consultants to develop a concept acceptable to the Board and historic planners, the project was expanded to include artwork at each entrance to the Bight. The Board, and subsequently the CRA, approved an allocation of \$500,000 in the FY2021-2022 budget for public art to be placed at the Historic Seaport. The Executive Director of the Florida Keys Council of the Arts recently advertised RFP 22-006: Public Art for the Key West Historic Seaport in support of this project. Fifteen artists submitted proposals to the RFP. At the February 15 AIPP meeting, the board unanimously selected the proposal of Darcy Ferrill & Shawn Trentlage to be placed in the Key West Historic Seaport. The Key West Bight Management District Board subsequently confirmed the AIPP Board selection via a unanimous vote and Key West Bight Resolution 23-07.

### Procurement

The \$500,000 for this project is budgeted in account 405 7504 575 6300 (Infrastructure), under Capital Improvement Plan project number KB 7504 2203.

**Recommendation**

The City Manager's Office and the Key West Bight Management District Board recommends the Community Redevelopment Agency confirm the AIPP ranking of proposers submitting responses to RFP 22-006: Public Art for Key West Historic Seaport and, pursuant to legal review, enter into a contract with the highest ranked proposer Trelage & Ferrill.