



**City of Lloydminster
Request for Decision (RFD)**

Subject Matter: Public Art Committee Proposal – Into the Mystic

Department: Community Development Services

Presented By: Don Bowey

Council Meeting Date: February 5, 2024

Recommendation:

That Council approve the Public Art Committee proposal named '*Into the Mystic*' by Mick Classen and that Council approve the transfer of \$21,300 be allocated from the Public Art Capital Reserve #1-700-740-36115 to fund the project.

Issue: The Public Art Advisory Committee (PAAC) requires Council's approval to proceed with the proposal for the project named '*Into the Mystic*' submitted by Mick Classen.

Background: On June 21, 2021, Council adopted Policy No. 770-01, Public Art Policy. This Policy provides direction on how Public Art will be acquired, maintained, funded, and deaccessioned in the City.

On September 16, 2022, the Public Art Advisory Committee (PAAC) received a presentation from Mick Classen regarding the "Into the Mystic" project; a metal sculpture 10' (W) x 10' (H) x 7' (D) made from ½" steel plate plasma cut with all edges buffed for safety. The steel plate will be de-greased, cleaned, acid etched, finished with a hydrogen peroxide final coating for a patina look. The PAAC requested a detailed proposal to include information regarding the roles and responsibilities for transportation, costing for fabrication and installation, overall budget, and maintenance requirements.

On October 3, 2023, the PAAC reviewed the revised "Into the Mystic" public art proposal. The design concept has been included in Appendix "A".

On December 4, 2023, Administration presented the proposal at the Governance and Priorities Committee meeting. The presentation included the PAAC recommendation for the sculpture installment to be located at 53 Avenue & 26 Street in Messum Park. This location has been approved by the Parks and Green Spaces Department. All relevant line locates, and permits have also been acquired. Installation would be done by Wells Rental and Venture Corp. and would be installed via steel screw pile non-disturbing ground installation by certified Wells Rental and Venture Corp. employees. Landscaping, site preparation and maintenance would be the responsibility of the City and the PAAC.

Administration developed a detailed budget to consider fabrication of the sculpture, transportation, installation/landscaping, and permits. The PAAC is requesting the cost of the project be allocated from the Public Art Reserve for a total of \$21,300. The budget breakdown is found in the table below:



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Item	Cost
Project Cost (Including transportation and installation)	\$18,800
Landscaping / Site Prep	\$2,500
Insurance / Liability up to \$5,000,000 - WCB	Artist Cost / Responsibility
Total	\$21,300

Installation would occur around the seasonal schedule of the Parks and Green Spaces Department.

At the December 4, 2023, Governance and Priorities Committee, Council requested additional information regarding the fair and equitable submission process for future Public Art. A 2024 priority for the PAAC will be a review of the application process and a shift from an open-ended appeal to a targeted appeal related to specific locations and appropriate art forms. This review will include benchmarking against best practices in other communities and the creation of a location inventory for the community.

Options:

1. That Council approve the Public Art Committee proposal, 'Into the Mystic' submitted by Mick Classen, and that \$21,300 be allocated from the Public Art Capital Reserve #1-700-740-35170 to fund the project.
2. That Council does not approve the Public Art Committee proposal, 'Into the Mystic' submitted by Mick Classen.
3. That Council request further information and that the item be brought forward to a future Regular Council Meeting for decision.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: This item is in alignment with the following strategic area: Managing our Environment and Infrastructure. The City is ensuring that the public have access to attractive public spaces to celebrate the art and artists that exist within our community.

Legal Review: N/A

Governance Implications: N/A

Budget/Financial Implications: The PAAC is requesting \$21,300 to be allocated from the Public Art Capital Reserve #1-700-740-35170 to fund the purchase and installation of the 'Into the Mystic'. The City allocates a minimum of 1% of the annual capital surplus to the Public Arts Reserve. The balance in the Public Art Capital Reserve following the requested allocation will be \$41,422.

Environmental Implications: N/A



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Report Approval Details

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This report and all of its attachments were approved and signed as outlined below:

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