Arts Commission

Percival Peoples' Prize Recommendation to City Council

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Title
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Recommended Action
Move to approve the recommendation for purchase of Percival Plinth sculpture and forward to Council for consideration.

Report
Issue:
Whether to recommend to Council the sculpture that has received the most votes during the month of public vote for the Percival Plinth Project Peoples' Choice Award for purchase.

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Background and Analysis:
On March 26, 2019, City Council approved the sculptures recommended by the Arts Commission for the ninth year-long display of loaned sculpture for the Percival Plinth Project. Associated with this exhibition is the public vote known as the Peoples' Choice Award, by which one sculpture is selected for purchase by the City. The period of voting took place from June 21 (with a public kick-off) - July 31, 2019. All loaned sculptures will be returned in spring 2020 and the popularly selected piece will be moved to City Hall for one year before being reinstalled in another Olympia location. This will leave all plinths cleared for another exhibition and competitive process.

Neighborhood/Community Interests (if known):
631 ballots were cast in 2018.

Options:
1. Approve the recommendation, as determined by public vote, for purchase of Percival Plinth sculpture and forward to Council for consideration.
2. Do not approve the recommendation for purchase of Percival Plinth sculpture.

3. Make a different recommendation to Council.

Financial Impact:

Funds for purchase are up to $10,000 from the Municipal Art Fund.

Attachments:

None