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**SUBJECT:** 2025 Public Art and Design Academy Project

**DEPARTMENT:** Parks and Recreation

**STAFF:** Bruce Mulder, Director of Parks and Recreation  
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### **TITLE/RECOMMENDATION**

Adopt a Resolution 1) approving a Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU") between the City of Brentwood ("City") and Liberty Union High School District ("District") regarding the Public Art and Design Academy ("PADA") in the amount of \$18,630 2) amending FY 2024/25 or the

FY 2025/26 Operating Budget, by increasing the Public Art Acquisition Fund by \$23,630 for the cost to build the artwork and for transportation and installation of the project and 3) authorizing the City Manager or designee to execute the MOU and make minor non-substantive revisions to it, in consultation with the City Attorney.

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

If approved, funding for this project will come from the Public Art Acquisition Fund. The Fiscal Year (FY) 2024/25 or FY 2025/26 Operating Budget will require an amendment for the project expenditures, depending on the timing of the PADA project. The total project cost is estimated to be \$23,630 and includes \$18,630 for materials, supplies, and equipment for PADA to build the artwork and \$5,000 for the transportation, installation and associated landscaping for the artwork, to be completed by City staff.

Including the requested amendment of \$23,630 for the project cost, the fund balance in the Public Art Acquisition Fund as of June 30, 2025 is projected to be \$3,153,166. The Public Art Acquisition Fund consists of development fees collected for the acquisition and construction of Public Art and can only be used for public art projects.

### **BACKGROUND**

Annually, the City works with PADA on art projects designed and created by the academy's students. On September 18, 2024, PADA students presented three



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sculpture project conceptual ideas to the Arts Commission. The project will be installed in the planter box on the corner of Sand Creek Road and O'Hara Avenue in Brentwood, California. This year, drawing inspiration from the 2024 Tri-Fish sculpture that was installed in this same location, the goal of PADA is to create a beautiful art piece that complements the Tri-Fish sculpture in a stunning and natural way based on how nature operates. Following discussion, the Arts Commission selected the project concept "Birds of Beauty" for recommendation to City Council.

City Staff requests the City Council adopt a Resolution 1) approving an MOU between the City and PADA in the amount of \$18,630 2) amending the FY 2024/25 or the FY 2025/26 Operating Budget by increasing the Public Art Acquisition Fund by \$23,630 for the cost of PADA students to build the artwork and for City Staff to transport, install and complete the landscaping of the project, depending and 3) authorizing the City Manager or designee to execute the MOU and make minor non-substantive revisions to it, in consultation with the City Attorney.

**CITY COUNCIL STRATEGIC INITIATIVE**

Not Applicable.

**PREVIOUS ACTION**

Previous Action by the City Council is included on Attachment 1.

**DATE OF NOTICE**

Not Applicable.

**ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION**

Not Applicable.

**ALTERNATIVE OPTION(S)**

1. Do not approve the resolution and MOU for the PADA project for the upcoming year.
2. Approve the resolution and MOU for the PADA project and request staff to identify a new conceptual idea to be considered by the Arts Commission.



**ATTACHMENT(S)**

1. Attachment 1: Previous Action
2. Attachment 2: PADA Resolution
3. Attachment 3: Memorandum of Understanding