TO: The Honorable Deborah Figgs-Sanders, Chair, and Members of City Council

SUBJECT: A resolution approving a supplemental appropriation in the amount of $3,000 from the unappropriated balance of the Art in Public Places Fund (1901) to the City Development Administration Department, Arts, Culture, and Tourism Division (100-1777); and providing an effective date.

EXPLANATION: The Public Arts Commission approved an appropriation of up to $7,500 be used for restoration and conservation after extensive review of the condition of the Elder Jordan sculpture at its January 9, 2024, meeting. Staff received 3 quotes and chose the original fabricator, American Bronze Foundry with a quote not to exceed $3,000, to travel to the site, clean the sculpture, apply new patina to sculpture, seal with several coats of wax and drill a weep hole in hat.

Specifically, at the end of November 2023, both the artist Jon Hair, and American Bronze Foundry president, Charlie Wambold reported mineral building up on the surface, the protective coating gone, and the patina wearing in areas of the sculpture. Ashley Burke, Public Art Consultant, reported the same conditions in her December 2023 Public Art Condition and Maintenance Report.

RECOMMENDATION: Administration recommends that City Council approve the attached resolution approving a supplemental appropriation in the amount of $3,000 from the unappropriated balance of the Art in Public Places Fund (1901) to the City Development Administration Department, Arts, Culture, and Tourism Division (100-1777); and providing an effective date.

COST/FUNDING/ASSESSMENT INFORMATION: Funds will be available after the approval of a supplemental appropriation in the amount of $3,000 from the unappropriated balance of the Art in Public Places Fund (1901) to the City Development Administration Department, Arts, Culture, and Tourism Division (100-1777).

ATTACHMENTS: Resolution, Agreement, Condition Report, Quote

APPROVALS: Administration: ______________________________

Budget: ______________________________
RESOLUTION NO. 2024-____

A RESOLUTION APPROVING A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION IN THE AMOUNT OF $3,000 FROM THE UNAPPROPRIATED BALANCE OF THE ART IN PUBLIC PLACES FUND (1901) TO THE CITY DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT, ARTS, CULTURE, AND TOURISM DIVISION (100-1777); AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City owns the Elder Jordan sculpture created by artist, Jon Hair and fabricated by American Bronze Foundry; and

WHEREAS, the sculpture is in need of restoration; and

WHEREAS, Administration received a quote from American Bronze Foundry to perform the restoration work in the amount of $3,000 plus tax; and

WHEREAS, the Public Arts Commission approved the expenditure of up to $7,500 from the Art in Public Places Fund (1901) for the restoration of the sculpture; and

WHEREAS, Administration recommends approval of this Resolution.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of St. Petersburg, Florida that there is hereby approved from the unappropriated balance of the Art in Public Places Fund (1901), the following supplemental appropriation:

Art in Public Places Fund (1901)
City Development Administration Department,
Arts, Culture, and Tourism Division (100-1777) $3,000

This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

LEGAL:

DEPARTMENT:

BUDGET:

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