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

SUBJECT: A resolution approving a supplemental appropriation in the amount of $3,046.88 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 $3,046.88 be used for the removal of five pieces of public art after extensive review of the condition report provided by Burke & Co. Fine Art Consultants in November 2023. Staff received a quote from St. Cate Fine Arts not to exceed $3,046.88, to travel to the sites, remove the sculptures and textiles and bring them to the City’s unit at CubeSmart located at 1501 2nd Avenue N., Unit 3005, St. Petersburg, FL for storage, inspection and further review.

Specifically, at the end of November 2023, Burke & Co. Fine Art Consultants Public Art Assessment & Condition Report recommended that the following pieces of Public Art be removed from their locations and placed in storage for further evaluation, restoration and/or deaccession.

- Three sculptures (Panther, Snake and Palmetto Bug) created by Tom Pitzen located in Riviera Bay Park at 8131 Macoma Drive, NE. St. Petersburg, FL
- “Shift Northward” textile piece created by Artist, Laura Bryant located in the Municipal Services Building at 1 N. 4th Street, St. Petersburg, FL
- “Pathway” a silk banner created by Lois Rector located in the Mirror Lake Branch Library at 280 5th St. N.

RECOMMENDATION: Administration recommends that City Council approve the attached resolution approving a supplemental appropriation in the amount of $3,046.88 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 $3,046.88 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
APPROVALS: Administration: 

Budget: Kaitlyn Berger
RESOLUTION NO. 2024-____

A RESOLUTION APPROVING A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION IN THE AMOUNT OF $3,046.88 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 eight sculptures created by artist Tom Pitzen which sculptures are located in Riviera Bay Park at 8131 Macoma Drive NE, St. Petersburg, FL; and

WHEREAS, the City owns “Shift Northward,” a textile piece created by artist Laura Bryant, which piece is located in the Municipal Services Building at 1 N. 4th Street, St. Petersburg, FL; and

WHEREAS, the City owns “Pathway,” a silk banner created by Lois Rector, which banner is located in the Mirror Lake Branch Library at 280 5th St. N., St. Petersburg, FL; and

WHEREAS, Burke & Co. Fine Art Consultants performed condition assessments of the sculptures and pieces listed above at the end of November 2023 and recommended that three of the sculptures from Riviera Bay Park and the two textile pieces listed above be de-installed so conservators or the artists can be consulted regarding how to address their current condition; and

WHEREAS, based on those condition assessments and recommendations, Administration reached out to a contractor specializing in the professional handling, care & maintenance of art collections, for an estimate for the removal of the three sculptures and two textile pieces listed above; and

WHEREAS, a supplemental appropriation in the amount of $3,046.88 is needed to provide funding for the removal the sculptures and pieces listed above; 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 for FY24:

| Art in Public Places Fund (1901) | City Development Administration Department, Arts, Culture, and Tourism Division (100-1777) | $3,046.88 |

This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

LEGAL:

DEPARTMENT:

BUDGET:

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