

TO: James L. App, City Manager
FROM: Barbara L. Partridge, Director of Library & Recreation Services
SUBJECT: Placement of Sculpture in Paso Robles City Park
DATE: March 2, 1999

Needs: For the City Council to consider accepting a bronze sculpture for placement in the City Park.

- Facts:**
1. At the January 12, 1999, regular meeting of the Recreation Advisory Committee, representatives of Paso Robles Main Street requested that the City accept a bronze statue of a dog to be placed in the City Park, "to promote public art as a way to bring distinction and recognition Paso Robles."
 2. The sculpture, valued at \$3,000, was cast by Metal Arts Sculpture Center in Paso Robles, for Christopher Bell, deceased, a nationally recognized artist.
 3. Metal Arts Sculpture Gallery will provide materials and install the artwork, and maintain the piece at no cost to the City for five years.
 4. The Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee voted unanimously to recommend the City Council accept the bronze sculpture for placement in the downtown City Park.
 5. The City will need to accept ownership and liability of the artwork.

**Analysis &
Conclusion:**

At the January 1999, meeting of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee, Paso Robles Mainstreet representatives requested that the City accept a bronze sculpture crafted by nationally acclaimed artist, Christopher Bell (deceased), and cast by the Paso Robles Metal Arts Gallery. The sculpture would "promote public art as a way to bring distinction and recognition to Paso Robles." The statue is approximately 24 inches high, by 12 inches wide, and would be placed by a drinking fountain in the downtown City Park. The Metal Arts Gallery will place the art and maintain it for 5 years. The City is asked to accept ownership and liability for the piece.

The Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee voted unanimously to recommend that the City Council accept the sculpture.

Options:

- A. Accept bronze sculpture and authorize placement in the downtown City Park.
- B. Amend, modify or reject above recommendation.

RESOLUTION NO. 99-
A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
EL PASO DE ROBLES TO ACCEPT THE BRONZE SCULPTURE FOR
PLACEMENT IN THE DOWNTOWN CITY PARK

Whereas, at the January 12, 1999, regular meeting of the Recreation Advisory Committee, representatives of Paso Robles Main Street requested that the City accept a bronze statue of a dog to be placed near the drinking fountain in the City Park, "to promote public art as a way to bring distinction and recognition Paso Robles"; and

Whereas, the sculpture was cast by Metal Arts Sculpture Center in Paso Robles, for sculptor Christopher Bell (deceased) a nationally recognized artist; and

Whereas, Metal Arts Sculpture Gallery will provide materials and install the artwork, and will maintain the piece at no cost to the City five years; and

Whereas, the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee voted unanimously to recommend the City Council accept the bronze sculpture for placement in the downtown City Park.

Now therefore be it resolved the City Council of the City of Paso Robles, to accept the bronze statue by sculptor Christopher Bell, cast by Metal Arts Sculpture Center, to be placed in the City Park

Passed and adopted by the City Council this 2nd day of March, 1999, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

Duane Picanco, Mayor

ATTEST:

Madelyn Paasch, City Clerk