



Legislation Text

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STRATEGIC PRIORITY: Quality of Life
AGENDA DATE: February 12, 2020
COUNCIL DISTRICT(S): 14
DEPARTMENT: Office of Arts and Culture
EXECUTIVE: Joey Zapata

SUBJECT

Authorize **(1)** the acceptance of a donation of the sculpture "Adelfa Callejo," by German Michel Leal, valued at \$100,000.00, from the Callejo-Botello Foundation (Foundation) to be installed by the Foundation at Main Street Garden Park located at 1902 Main Street; **(2)** the acceptance of a monetary donation in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.00 from the Foundation for maintenance and conservation of the sculpture; **(3)** the receipt and deposit of funds from the Foundation in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.00 in the Office of Cultural Affairs Gifts and Donations Fund; **(4)** an increase in appropriations in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.00 in the Office of Cultural Affairs Gifts and Donations Fund; and **(5)** a contract with the Foundation to make the donations and install the sculpture, approved as to form by the City Attorney - Not to exceed \$10,000.00 - Financing: Office of Cultural Affairs Gifts and Donations Fund

BACKGROUND

The Callejo-Botello Foundation would like to donate the sculpture "Adelfa Callejo," created by artist German Michel Leal and shown in Attachment A, valued at \$100,000.00, to be installed at Main Street Garden located at 1902 Main Street. In accordance with the City of Dallas Cultural Policy, the donor is also providing a \$10,000.00 donation for future conservation and maintenance costs.

Adelfa Callejo was the first Latina to graduate from Southern Methodist University School of Law in 1961, the first Latina to practice law in Dallas, and one of the first Latinas nationwide to receive a law degree. Callejo represented the disadvantaged as an acclaimed civil rights lawyer. Among her many accomplishments, she served as regional president of the Hispanic National Bar Association, director of the State Bar of Texas, and founder and past president of the Mexican-American Bar Association of Texas.

The sculpture will be installed by the Foundation at Main Street Garden Park, as recommended by the Quality of Life, Arts and Culture Committee of the City Council.

For donations and loans of works of art to the City of Dallas, the City of Dallas Cultural Policy states:

- (i) The City of Dallas encourages donations and loans of works of art for public places. When gifts or donations of major artworks are proposed for placement with any City agency or department, the proposal shall be reviewed by the Public Art Committee and the Arts and Culture Advisory Commission. This policy shall also apply to works of art proposed for long-term loan to the City. The objectives of this policy are:
 - (1) To maintain high artistic standards in works of art displayed by the City of Dallas.
 - (2) To vest in a single City agency the responsibility for ensuring the management and maintenance of the City's public artworks.
 - (3) To facilitate planning for the placement of works of art in City facilities.
 - (4) To provide for appropriate recognition of artists and of donors of works of art to the City of Dallas.
 - (5) To provide for conservation and maintenance plans and funds for the artwork.

- (ii) The City may accept donated artworks only when accompanied by a legal instrument of conveyance of title, enumerating any conditions of the gift that the City has agreed to accept, and the appropriate warranty of originality, approved as to form the City Attorney. In general, gifts shall be accepted without restrictions as to future use or disposition and may require City Council approval in accordance with Administrative Directive 2-13.

PRIOR ACTION/REVIEW (COUNCIL, BOARDS, COMMISSIONS)

On September 10, 2019, the Public Art Committee (PAC) recommended acceptance of this donation for placement at Dallas Love Field.

On September 17, 2019, the Arts and Culture Advisory Commission approved the PAC recommendation.

On November 13, 2019, City Council remanded this item to the Quality of Life, Arts and Culture Committee by Resolution No. 19-1769.

The Quality of Life, Arts and Culture Committee recommended acceptance of this donation for placement at Main Street Garden on January 21, 2020.

On February 6, 2020, the Park & Recreation Board **will consider the location of this donation on parkland at Main Street Garden** [voted to defer the site approval for the donation of the sculpture of Adelfa Callejo to April 16, 2020.](#)

FISCAL INFORMATION

Fund	FY 2020	FY 2021	Future Years
Office of Cultural Affairs Gifts and Donations Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$10,000.00