DONATION OF ART TO CITY OF NEWPORT BEACH

- A. The City of Newport Beach believes that art placed in public sites or in public buildings increases the aesthetic appeal and beauty of such public sites and buildings, and of the City in general.
- B. All proposals for donations of art to the City shall be reviewed by the Arts Commission for recommendation to the City Council.
- C. The responsibility of the Arts Commission is to:
 - 1. Confer with persons who have offered to donate art to the City, informing them of the donation policy, including criteria for accepting artwork and the scope of the approval process.
 - 2. Advise the City Council of the artistic merit and value of paintings, sculpture, drawings and other art offered to the City as donations.
 - 3. Advise the City Council regarding appropriate public sites or buildings for display of such art, in conjunction with the City Commission and/or Department which has responsibility for planning or maintaining the proposed location.
- D. The Arts Commission shall consider the following criteria in making a recommendation for accepting a donation of art to the City:
 - 1. The art should be an original creation, and be of the highest quality and level of artistic excellence.
 - 2. The art should add significantly to the balanced inventory of the City's collection, representing a variety of style, design and media.
 - 3. The donor should complete a standardized donation form.
 - 4. The art should be of satisfactory physical condition, be sufficiently durable as to not be easily damaged or destroyed, should not require restoration or extensive long term conservation, and should be of a physical size and weight that it can be managed in storage, transport and public display without difficulty.

- 5. The art should be consistent with and relevant to the civic interests and broad variety of tastes within the Newport Beach community.
- E. A donation of art to the City must have a majority agreement within the Arts Commission prior to making a recommendation to the City Council.
- F. Art accepted into the City collection is done with the understanding that the Arts Commission reserves the right to place the work on public display on either a permanent or temporary basis, and to store the work when not on display. No gifts will be accepted with the understanding that the art will be displayed in perpetuity.
- G. Art being considered for donation to the City Art in Public Places Program must conform to the tenets of the approved Art in Public Places Policy.
- H. The City does not provide valuations or appraisals of art being donated to the City. The value of a work should be presented by the donor to the City at the time of donation. It is the responsibility of the donor to furnish a valuation to the appropriate government tax agency.
- I. The City shall assume all intellectual and photographic property rights to art donated to the City.

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