



CITY OF COMMERCE AGENDA REPORT

TO: Honorable City Council

FROM: Ernie Hernandez, City Manager

SUBJECT: Grant Consideration for Mural adjacent to Bristow Park

MEETING DATE: December 9, 2025

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council approve a one-time grant from the Art in Public Places Fund to an appropriate entity representing the Bristow Park Community for the painting of a mural and poem at the corner of McDonnell Avenue and Dunham Street.

BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS:

On December 4, 2025, the City Council received a communication from Roland Lenny Ortiz representing the owner of the property located at 4684 Dunham Street, where a Virgin Mary mural once stood, and also representing members of the Bristow Park community.

This group is requesting a one-time grant to assist in their objective to repaint a mural of the Virgin Mary and a Poem on a private home where such a mural previously existed. The group estimates that there is a total cost for the project of \$26,050, and is requesting a City “grant” or contribution towards this endeavor in the amount of \$12,000. If approved, staff will have to determine how best to proceed with payment as there is no official non-profit or single entity representing the Bristow Park neighborhood group that wishes to bring this artwork to fruition. The letter is attached for your consideration.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There are existing monies in the Art in Public Places Fund to provide the grant if the City Council approves the request.

ALTERNATIVES:

1. Approve staff recommendation
2. Disapprove staff recommendation
3. Provide further direction to staff

Approved and Recommended by:

Ernie Hernandez, City Manager

Fiscal Impact reviewed by:

Alvaro Castellon, Director of Finance

Approved as to form by:

Noel Tapia, City Attorney

Respectfully submitted:

Ernie Hernandez, City Manager

Attachments:

1. Letter from Roland Lenny Ortiz