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Finding 20- Without a clear legal mandate to do so, SFAC has assumed responsibility for maintaining art on Recreation and Park Department Properties.

Disagree. Charter Section 5.103.2 very states The Arts Commission shall: "maintain and keep an inventory of works of art owned by the City and County"

Finding 21- SFAC spends most of its current maintenance fund repairing works on Rec & Park property. This is more appropriate for SFAC to respond to as RPD does not administered the SFAC budget.

Further, **Charter Section 5.103.2 very clearly states**, "The Arts Commission shall: "maintain and keep an inventory of works of art owned by the City and County.

Finding 31 – There has been no current memorandum of understanding between SFAC and the Rec & Park Department concerning the use of Justin Herman Plaza since 1991.

Previously RPD issue permits to the Street Artist program on a yearly basis but has not in recent years.

SFPRD is willing to work with the SFAC to establish roles and responsibilities of all parties associated with the street artist program.

Recommendation 13 – Clarify ownership and maintenance responsibilities for art and statuary in Rec & Park Property.

Charter section 5.103.2 is clear that this responsibility lies with the SFAC. RPD and the SFAC currently work well together to address graffiti, wear and tear and other vandalism on public art on park property..

Through 311 the Departments are able to respond to reports quickly and in a coordinated fashion.

Recently, at the request of the Recreation and Park Department, the SFAC developed guidelines for the protection of the Coit Tower murals which outline means and methods for protecting the murals while still maintaining public access to the building. The guidelines will be incorporated in the Coit Tower lease as well as any use permits for the tower.

Recommendation 14 – Complete an SFAC – Rec & Park agreement to ensure compensation for maintenance of art in City Parks is adequate to support that task and does not impair conservation and maintenance elsewhere.

Charter section 4.113 vests Recreation and Park Commission with the responsibility to maintain all parks, playgrounds, recreation centers and all other recreation facilities. Charter section 5.103.2 vests the SFAC with the mandate to maintain public art in San Francisco. The responsibilities are clearly defined. SFRPD understands the importance of adequate funding for maintenance of both parks and public art and encourages the Mayor and the Board of Supervisors to fully fund both agencies.

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