

FutureForms Artwork for Potrero Gateway Project

Arts Commission Activities

Artist Selection Panels, Design Review and Approval Meetings, Community Engagement Meetings

All meetings were open to the public with an opportunity provided for public comment

Date	Meeting	Action	Notes
November 30, 2020	SFAC Communications and Outreach	Request for Qualifications Issued	
February 12, 2021	Artist Qualification Panel	RFQ applications of 101 artists reviewed. Two rounds of voting and discussion yields 13 finalists.	
February 16, 2021	Artist Selection Panel #1	Panel reviews and scores the qualifications of 13 artists selected by the Qualification Panel relative to the advertised criteria in the RFQ. Two rounds of voting and discussion yields 4 finalists.	
June 14, 2021	Artist Selection Panel #2	<p>Panel interviews 3 artist finalists for opportunity to develop a conceptual proposal for the project. Artists discuss their past projects, interest in the Potrero Gateway public art opportunity, and any initial ideas/approaches they are considering for the project. The panel discusses and scores the artists.</p> <p>The highest scored artist, Machinic LLC (DBA Futureforms), is selected for recommendation to the Arts Commission.</p>	
June 16, 2021	Visual Arts Committee	<p>Project Manager Zoë Taleporos presented the recommended artist team, Futureforms, and their proposal for the Potrero Gateway Park public art project. Ms. Taleporos stated that the Arts Commission will enter into a MOU with Public Works for the development of a public artwork at this site. The budget for the artwork is \$217,000 and the artwork will not be accessioned into the City’s art collection, but will become property of Caltrans. The motions were unanimously approved.</p> <p>Motion: to approve artist Machinic LLC (DBA Futureforms) and proposal for the Potrero Gateway Park Public Art Project, as recommended by the artist review panel.</p> <p>Motion: to authorize the Director of Cultural Affairs to enter into</p>	

		contract with artist Machinic LLC (DBA Futureforms) for an amount not to exceed \$217,000 for design, fabrication, transportation and installation of an artwork at Potrero Gateway Park.	
July 21, 2021	Full Arts Commission	<p>Commission approves the VAC recommendations of the following motions.</p> <p>Motion: to approve artist Machinic LLC (DBA Futureforms) and proposal for the Potrero Gateway Park Public Art Project, as recommended by the artist review panel.</p> <p>Motion: to authorize the Director of Cultural Affairs to enter into contract with artist Machinic LLC (DBA Futureforms) for an amount not to exceed \$217,000 for design, fabrication, transportation and installation of an artwork at Potrero Gateway Park.</p>	<p>RESOLUTION NO. 0712-21-173</p> <p>RESOLUTION NO. 0712-21-174</p>
November 17, 2021	Visual Arts Committee	<p>Project Manager Zoe Taleporos presented the Design Development Documents by Futureforms for an artwork at Potrero Gateway Park. The original proposed work consisted of galvanized steel plant wells, which would allow plant roots to grow into the ground. The sculptures were to be bolted to the retaining wall and soil, plantings, irrigation, and lighting were to be provided by Public Works. However, new factors, such as the inclusion of ADA accessible curb ramps and changes to the retaining walls didn't accommodate the original design concept without violating ADA code.</p> <p>The revised designs are freestanding sculptures that retain the same look and feel as the original planters. The sculptures will range in height from 6 ft. 9 in. to 9 ft. 1 in. and widths from 3 ft. 6 in. to 7 ft. 1 in. For the San Bruno side, the works will sit atop cast concrete plinths. For the Vermont St. side, Public Works will integrate the artwork foundation into the middle retaining wall. The motion was unanimously approved.</p> <p>Motion: to approve the Design Development Documents (revised artwork placement and attachment system) by Futureforms for an artwork at Potrero Gateway Park.</p>	

December 6, 2021	Full Arts Commission	<p>Commission approves the VAC recommendations of the following motion.</p> <p>Motion: to approve the Design Development Documents (revised artwork placement and attachment system) by Futureforms for an artwork at Potrero Gateway Park.</p>	RESOLUTION NO. 1206-21-266
June 15, 2022	Visual Arts Committee	<p>Project Manager Aleta Lee gave a brief description of the Potrero Gateway project and introduced the artist team FutureForms to share the revised artwork design. The artists shared changes to the project site, including a different color palette, smaller sidewalk dimensions, and shifting wall configurations and fences, which required the initial artwork proposal to evolve. The artwork now consists of four sculptures grouped in two pairs, on the east side of the overpass and one on the west side. The sculptures will be placed within the planters on plinths. Each sculpture is unique with its own scale and configuration. The sculptures are intended to be heavier and more rounded at the base and lighter at the top. The spheres are all different finishes of stainless steel or will be painted with metallic Tnemec paint color.</p> <p>The commissioners asked about the maintenance and climb ability of the sculptures. The artists shared that the materials should be easily cleaned, especially the lower sections, but are also being designed to be taken apart for easier deep cleaning in the future. Additionally, each sculpture can withstand a few hundred pounds of weight on them if a person were to climb the artwork. There was no public comment, and the motion was unanimously approved.</p> <p>Motion: to approve Design Development Phase deliverables (revised design) and Construction Document Phase deliverables (Structural Engineering Drawings) by FutureForms for the Potrero Gateway Project pending approval from Caltrans.</p>	

July 11, 2022	Full Arts Commission	<p>Commission approves the VAC recommendations of the following motion.</p> <p>Motion: to approve the Design Development Documents (revised artwork placement and attachment system) by Futureforms for an artwork at Potrero Gateway Park.</p>	RESOLUTION NO. 0711-22-128
August 17, 2022	Visual Arts Committee	<p>Committee approves the following Consent Calendar item:</p> <p>Motion: to approve Design Development Phase deliverables (revised Final Design) by FutureForms for the Potrero Gateway Project.</p>	
September 12, 2022	Full Arts Commission	<p>Commission approves the VAC recommendations of the following motion.</p> <p>Motion: to approve Design Development Phase deliverables (revised Final Design) by FutureForms for the Potrero Gateway Project.</p>	RESOLUTION NO. 0912-22-153