

“Integrate High Impact Public Art & Urban Design throughout the Community”**REPORT: UPDATES ON CONTINUING PUBLIC ART PROJECTS****1. Airport Art**

- Feature Wall/A million times for San Jose: Fabrication of the artwork by Humans Since 1982 is in process in Sweden. With the Corian face of the clocks complete, the artists are beginning work on the technology. The protective glass face is complete and is due to arrive in San Jose in late April. The artists have entered into an agreement with a local contractor for the remodel of existing airport wall. The structural steel to support the artwork has been initiated and on site work will be scheduled shortly.
- **Holding the Moment:** Part IV of the six-part exhibition is currently on view in the large showcases through March 20, 2021 at San José Airport Terminal B. The project can be further explored online at the [Holding the Moment](#) webpage. Every week the artwork and the artists' narratives are introduced on social media via the Office of Cultural Affairs Instagram (@sjculture) and Facebook (@sanjoseculture). Please follow and engage with the posts to show our local artists love! You can also follow #HoldingTheMomentSJ.
- **Showcase Permanent Artwork/Threshold:** Sculpture by Philip Beesley is in production in Toronto. Installation is expected to begin June 2021.
- **XO:** The contract to commission XO at the airport is under development. Negotiations with the artist are forthcoming.

2. Bassett Park (AHSC Grant): PRNS has reactivated their project to complete Bassett Park. Coordination between completion of the park design and integration of Vicki Scuri's illuminated pedestrian light elements in the park construction is underway.**3. Emergency Operation Center & Fire Department Training Facility Relocation (EMC/FDTF) –** A Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for project released on March 18, 2021.**4. Environmental Services Department (ESD) Projects**

- **CoGeneration** – Signage and photo documentation for Buster Simpson's art "*Methanogen Polyptych*" in process.
- **Don Edwards National Wildlife Refuge and Guadalupe River (DENWR) and Guadalupe River Park/Children's Discovery Museum (GRP/CDM) –** Completion of the project is forecasted for 2021.

5. End of Watch Police Memorial – Artist Gordon Huether's approved memorial design is in fabrication, as key stakeholders are apprised of developments; construction documents are underway for the final site design.

- 6. Thomas Fallon Statue** - On Friday, January 29, 2021, the Mayor and City staff hosted a [Public Forum](#) to share community perspectives on public art in our city. The forum provided an opportunity for residents to share their views with City leaders and staff about specific works of art, including the *Thomas Fallon Statue* by artist Robert Glen. The community that attended the meeting overwhelmingly requested the removal of the *Thomas Fallon Statue*. In responding to this, and the notorious history of the statue, the Mayor issued a [memorandum](#) to the Rules and Open Government Committee recommending to begin the process on removing the Statue. The Rules and Open Government Committee discussed and unanimously approved of the Mayor's recommendation February 22, 2021. Staff is currently going through the deaccession process to present a recommendation to the Public Art Committee, the Arts Commission, and eventually to City Council.
- 7. Fire Station 14** – A small mural project is planned for the exterior of Fire Station 14 as part of the community's budget process priorities. The process of collaboration between the community and SJFD to develop a vision for the artwork and select a local artist is underway.
- 8. Fire Station 37** – Artist Sam Tubiolo is in the process of fabricating the tile work and the window treatment for the new fire station in Willow Glen, staying aligned with the base project schedule for this fast-tracked project. Artwork installation is scheduled in coordination with the base project for late 2021 or early 2022.
- 9. Havana Drive/Midfield Avenue Soundwall mural** – Artist Morgan Bricca's approved design is moving forward as the CalTrans maintenance agreement is now being processed. A final schedule for completion is still pending.
- 10. Japantown Heinlerville Park/Plaza Art** - San José artist Roger Stoller is in coordination with the park's construction to fabricate the sculpture for the park. The estimated completion date is planned for December 2021.
- 11. Lincoln Ave Art** – Staff is working with the Willow Glen Business Association to determine which final art projects they will undertake to complete the Lincoln Avenue Artworks project.
- 12. Market/San Pedro Parking Garage** – The project with Artist Brian Brush is in construction documentation development, and bi-weekly construction design meetings with key stakeholders are taking place.
- 13. Neighborhood Galleries** - Murals in District 5 are pending a Caltrans permits. A permit application has been approved by BART for the District 4 mural by Jason Jagel. Installation of the District 4 mural is pending direction from VTA.

- 14. Playa to Paseo** - Conversations about final installations is underway with Burning Man.
- 15. Pellier Park** – The construction documents are complete and the project and artist Nori Sato’s work, and is out for bid as on March 4th. Council Award date is anticipated on April 27th with the start of construction anticipated mid-June.
- 16. Right the Blight Hotspot Mural Project** - The site location for the final mural at Meadowfair Park is infested with termites. Public Works will analyze whether the building needs to be replaced or repaired. The final mural for this pilot project is put on hold until a further determination can be made.
- 17. Santa Clara County** – The City’s Public Art Program has been contracted by the County as a consultant to the County to develop guidelines for their public art program and provide other consultation resources as needed, including project management. In addition, the City is also consulting on three large scale projects in development – Animal Services Center, Tasman Art Campus, and the Behavioral Services Center.
- 18. Sonic Runway** – Due to safety measures related to COVID-19 the installation has been rescheduled until late 2021.
- 19. Urban Confluence Silicon Valley** (not a City project) - Three finalists were selected by a jury to refine their design proposals. City Staff has been directed by the Council to provide consultation as the project continues to develop. Three final designs were presented to the Jury on January 30, 2021; the jury made a final selection which was announced March 25, 2021. Final artist and design selection to be presented to the Public Art Committee meeting on April 6, 2021.
- 20. Valley Medical Center** – Artist’s structural drawings are complete. The base project’s structural engineers are developing final site assessment and construction documents.
- 21. VTA-EBRC** – Public Art is working with VTA on two large-scale projects associated with the Eastridge to BART Regional Connector. The RFQ and contract have been drafted and is being reviewed by VTA.
- 22. Weavers’ Gifts** – One of the major sculptural elements, the limestone basket, has been damaged beyond repair. Staff is working with the artist for perspective on replacement costs and logistics.