

CHAPTER 5

THE SOLANO PUBLIC ART COMMITTEE AND PROGRAM

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Sec. 5-1. Purpose

The purpose of this chapter is to establish a public art program to promote the arts and culture in Solano County by establishing a public fund to be used in the purchase, or commission of public art within designated public buildings owned by the County of Solano. The purpose of this chapter is to ensure that provision of public art in public buildings is a component of every construction project by ensuring that planning and funding are made available.

(Ord. No. 1639, §2)

Sec. 5-2. Solano County Public Art Committee and Program

The Solano County Public Art Committee is created for the purpose of overseeing and administering the Solano County Public Art Program, subject to all County rules, policies and procedures, including but not limited to those related to personnel, contracting, purchasing, budget and travel. Administrative responsibility for the Solano County Art Committee and Solano County Public Art Program shall lie with the department of General Services.

(Ord. No. 1639, §3)

Sec. 5-3. Committee Membership

The Solano County Art Committee shall be comprised of seven (7) members and one rotating ex-officio member. The sitting members shall consist of the following or their designees: the County Architect, the Director of Library Services, the Chair of the Solano County Planning Commission or a designated Planning Commission member, a member of the Solano County Board of Supervisors, the County Administrator, a member of Solano Community College's art program appointed by the President of the Solano Community College and a member of the Solano County Arts Council appointed by the council. A rotating ex officio member from the city in which a specific art project or event is being considered by the Committee may also be appointed to the Committee by each city in which an art project is being considered for purposes of the project or event to assist the Committee in deliberations related to the project or event specific to that city.

(Ord. No. 1639, §4)

Sec. 5-4. Administration

The Solano County Art Committee shall be responsible for the administration of the Public Art Program established pursuant to this chapter and shall develop any necessary policies and procedures to implement this program. The Art Committee shall be responsible for reviewing the public art plan, approving public art project budgets, selecting artists for art to be commissioned, negotiating artist contracts and all other acts necessary to effectuate the administration of this program. Annually the Art Committee shall report to the Board of Supervisors concerning its operations.

(Ord. No. 1639, §5)

Sec. 5-5. Funding

All appropriates for county capital projects with construction costs in excess of one million dollars (\$1,000,000), including all bond projects and other capital projects, shall include a budget for public art which represents at least one and one half (1 and 1/2) percent of the construction cost at the time of the initial construction contract award. Capital construction projects excluded from the Public Art program include maintenance projects. These funds shall be deposited in the Public Art Fund established by the auditor-controller. The amount to be appropriated shall be based on the total capital project appropriation, including construction costs, architect and engineering fees and site work, less costs for property acquisition and preparation, unless otherwise prohibited by law or by the terms of any grant. The funding requirement may also be waived by the Board of Supervisors.

(Ord. No. 1639, §5; Ord. No. 1695, §2)

Sec. 5-6. Use of funds

Funds appropriated pursuant to this chapter will be used for design services of artists, for the selection, acquisition, purchase, commissioning, installation, examination and/or display or artworks, for the maintenance of artworks, for education concerning the artwork and for administrative costs of the Art Committee in connection with the program. Funds appropriated pursuant to this chapter, which remain unexpended or are deemed not necessary or appropriate for use in the building, may be pooled to be expended on other capital projects subject to this chapter. All purchases or expenditures are subject to the applicable County policies and procedures related to contracting.

(Ord. No. 1639, §6)

(Ord. No. 1305, §1)