



Public Art Recommendation Eagle Pointe Recreation Center

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August 17, 2020

Background

- The Eagle Pointe Recreation Center was completed in December 2018
- At the time, the public art committee was only able to install one of the two recommended exterior art pieces due to budget constraints
- The Cultural Council is seeking City Council's approval to install the second piece of artwork

Eagle Pointe Selection Process

- The Art Selection Committee was comprised of representatives from Cultural Council, residents, and staff
- Committee meetings were held Sept. 2017 – March 2018
- The Committee reviewed and juried 47 applications
- Three Colorado artists were selected as semi-finalists

Eagle Pointe Selection Process

- **Jodie Bliss** is an ironworker who proposed a 10-foot high sculpture, titled “Pathway to Vitality.” The sculpture depicts a female figure of two 1/4” pieces of steel, arms lifted, holding a large eagle.
- **Lisa Russell** proposed a stainless steel wall sculpture depicting three eagles in flight to be placed on the exterior wall near the pool. The sculpture would be made of several different laser-cut pieces of 10-gauge steel and backlit for maximum nighttime effect.
- **Tina Murano** proposed two large exterior circular tile glass mosaics for the exterior wall by the pool. One was a traditional seal, depicting the name of the Eagle Pointe Rec Center, EST. date and an eagle in flight. The other mosaic had text stating “What if I should fall, Oh my Darling, What if I should Soar?”



Eagle Pointe Selection Process

- The public art committee and the Cultural Council recommended artist Lisa Russell to create the exterior wall sculpture for the recreation center
- City Council approved the recommendation and the artwork was installed in Oct. 2018



Eagle Pointe Selection Process

- The public art committee also agreed to fund-raise for a second piece of art (Jodie Bliss' sculpture) in the future
- Cultural Council members applied for a grant from the Scientific Cultural & Facilities District (SCFD) to obtain this second piece of art
- In fall 2019, the Cultural Council received a SCFD grant in the amount of \$14,323.00 to purchase the sculpture

Eagle Pointe Recommendation

Path to Vitality

Artist- Jodie Bliss
March 24, 2020



The Commerce City Cultural Council recommends the following public art installation, consistent with the master plan: **Jodie Bliss** shall receive a commission from the City for \$24,750 for the design, construction and installation of her proposed artwork.



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Next Steps

- Sept 2020: Staff to finalize contract with artist
- Sept 2020: Select outdoor artwork location at Eagle Pointe
 - PRG staff will recommend site location
- Oct 2020: The recommended site location will be submitted to Cultural Council for final approval
- Spring 2021: Artwork installed



Direction

- Does the City Council approve the installation of the sculpture at Eagle Pointe Recreation Center?





Questions?

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