



# Town of Yountville

6550 Yount Street  
Yountville, CA 94599

## Staff Report

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**DATE:** December 5, 2023

**TO:** Mayor and Town Council

**FROM:** Samantha Holland, Parks & Recreation Director

**PREPARED BY:** Samantha Holland, Parks & Recreation Director

### **RECOMMENDATION**

Adopt Resolution Number 23-4243 Approving a \$4,483 budget adjustment utilizing available fund balance in Fund 23 Public Art Program Fee Fund Contract Services (23-5414-4210) to accommodate artist stipends for additional Art Walk sculptures.

### **DISCUSSION/BACKGROUND**

The Yountville Art Walk has 36 sculpture sites of which 23 are on a two-year rotation schedule. After a slow down of new artwork application over the past three years, the Yountville Art Walk has quite a few expired or extended term sculptures. The late summer and early fall of 2023 has been busy with new sculpture applications and interest along with the Commission approving to extend reimbursement for rising shipping and transportation costs up to \$1,000 to encourage artist participation.

Yountville Arts budgeted to place 6 new sculptures in Fiscal Year (FY) 2023/24 totaling an expense for artist stipends of \$15,000 plus \$2,500 in other contract expenses for a total of \$17,500 in Fund 23 – The restricted Public Art Program Fee Fund – Contract Services line item. (Fund 23 Total budget of \$22,500). Yountville Arts has the opportunity to rotate additional timed out sculptures bringing in new art and as such staff is requesting a budget adjustment of \$4,483. The current fund balance is \$4,483.

Long term, the slowdown in Commercial Building Permits has also slowed the funding to the Public Art Program Fee Fund. In the budget process, staff discussed with the Arts Commission that in FY 2023-24 we may exhaust the funds available in fund 23. The Commission will vote to move funds from the Yountville Community Foundation Art Fund to fund 23 at their December 4, 2023 meeting to continue to adequately fund the Art Walk and a future budget adjustment will come forward to utilize those funds as needed.

The Town Council may also wish to consider additional funding for Fund 23 – The restricted Public Art Program Fee Fund in future budget and un-allocated fund balance discussions to provide for changing landscape of commercial building projects in Yountville from year to year.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW**

Not Applicable

## **FISCAL IMPACT**

Is there a Fiscal Impact? Yes

Is it Currently Budgeted? No

Where is it Budgeted? N/A

Is it Mandatory or Discretionary? Mandatory

Is there a Staff Resource Impact? Nominal

## **STRATEGIC PLAN GOAL**

Is item Identified in Strategic Plan? Yes

If yes, Identify Strategic Goal and Objective. **Premier Destination:** The Town values its residents, rich history, natural environment, culinary excellence, arts, and distinguished businesses that make our home a place people love. **Quality of Life:** The Town enhances the livability of Yountville by providing well-maintained public facilities, parks, and trails, and quality programs and events.

Briefly Explain Relationship to Strategic Plan Goal and Objective. By continuing to fund the Yountville Art Walk the Town Council supports the Art Walk and its contributions to the quality of life for residents and the experience for our visitors.