

**UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON SYSTEM
SYSTEM WIDE ART ACQUISITION COMMITTEE
AGENDA ITEM**

ITEM: UH Stadium Precinct Artwork- Artist Nominations

DATE PREVIOUSLY SUBMITTED: NA

SUMMARY:

The UH Framework Plan proposed that the UH west campus be organized into the Stadium Precinct with that precinct oriented around a major mixed use pedestrian circulation walkway, Cougar Walk. The Framework plan suggested landscaping, lighting, water features, paving and artwork be used to reinforce this precinct and Cougar Walk, making it a major entry and focus of the University.

The Framework Plan also proposed that extensive new construction occur in this precinct and focus along Cougar Walk. Some of that construction is now under design and under construction. Among those projects currently underway are a four story lab addition to the Fleming Building (now under construction), finishing out the research floors of the five story Science Engineering Research Classroom Building (SERC) (a portion of which is under construction with the rest in final design) and the four story 2400 car Stadium Parking Garage (in final design). Future construction in this precinct may include renovation or replacement of Robertson Stadium and renovations to Hofheinz Pavilion. Each of these projects has 1% of construction allocated for public art.

The Stadium Parking Garage in particular is a mixed use facility that includes a sports themed restaurant with outside dining, offices and retail including a Cougar sportswear shop. Cougar Walk would expand in this location to provide a focus for campus activity, game day functions and campus life. Because of that focus and the direction provided by the Framework plan it is proposed that these art funds be combined into artwork that enlivens this area and Cougar Walk. Said artwork might include water features and would be reinforced by lighting and landscaping in the precinct.

Attached is information on each project including the site plan for the Stadium Precinct, renderings of each project and the available art budget.

SUPPORTING

DOCUMENTATION: Precinct Site Plan, Building renderings, Artwork Budget

FISCAL NOTE: \$726,000

**RECOMMENDATION/
ACTION REQUESTED:** Nomination of Artists

COMPONENT: University of Houston

UH STADIUM PRECINCT CAPITAL PROJECTS/ARTWORK BUDGET

<u>Project</u>	<u>Project Budget</u>	<u>Estimated Artwork Budget (1)</u>
Stadium Parking Garage	\$ 26,000,000	\$ 212,000(1)
SERC (Research Building Buildout)	\$36,052,000	\$260,000 (1, 2)
Fleming Addition	\$31,200,000	\$ 254,000 (1)
TOTAL	\$93,252,000	\$726,000 (1)

(1) Budget must include 3% for SWAAC expenses and 10% for contingency. Amount available for art acquisition should be reduced by this amount.

(2) Remaining art funds. A portion of the art acquisition budget for this project has already been allocated for other artwork. In addition a portion of the project budget is for movable equipment. That portion of the project is not subject to the 1% for art requirement.

Upcoming Projects

Robertson Stadium Project	Budget to be determined
Hofheinz Renovation Project	Budget to be determined





Fleming Addition – Northwest Corner along Cullen Street



Stadium Parking Garage – Along Holman Street



SERC – View from Cullen Street



Stadium Parking Garage and Cougar Walk – Southeast View from Cullen



Stadium Parking Garage – Northeast View from Cullen and Holman



Stadium Parking Garage – Close up of Corner of Cullen and Holman



Stadium Parking Garage – Northeast View from Cullen



2006 Framework Plan- Stadium Precinct