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Palo Alto Staff Report to Public Art Commission

September 15, 2022

RE: 1310 Bryant Street, Castilleja School Public Art Interim Review

DISCUSSION

Castilleja School submitted an application for Initial Review by the Public Art Commission for public art in private development in April 2022. The staff report can be found [here](#). At the April 18, 2022 meeting, Commissioners reviewed the submitted packet and provided initial recommendations to consider public accessibility when thinking about suitable locations for the placement of artwork(s), thematic approach to artworks, and community engagement during the design development process. Commissioners requested that the Castilleja School staff come back to the PAC in Summer 2022 for an interim review when they have an art consultant and a better formulated art plan and theme in place.

Castilleja School has engaged Artsource Consulting, and submitted the following update since the PAC's last review of the project in April:

Castilleja School solicited potential art advisor candidates from multiple sources including the City of Palo Alto, the project architects, other schools in Palo Alto, etc. An RFP was sent to a list of five potential advisors and three of the five candidates were interviewed based on their submittals. References were checked on two candidates and Artsource Consulting was selected based on the strength of their proposal, presentation, and references.

To date Artsource Consulting has met with the teams at Castilleja as well as the project architecture team and toured the potential artwork sites. A selection panel has been established. Additionally, Artsource has developed public art search criterion, project goals, project approach and art selection process.

The Public Art Commission is asked to give feedback on the planned art selection process, public art placement, and design direction.