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California Forever's Bid to Build a New City Qualifies for November Ballot

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By Adhiti Bandlamudi

The campaign to build a city from scratch in Solano County submitted enough valid signatures to qualify for the November ballot, election officials said.

The Solano County Registrar of Voters spent a month reviewing over 20,000 signatures turned in by California Forever, the billionaire-backed company behind the ballot initiative. The measure needed 14,369 signatures from registered Solano County voters to qualify. On Tuesday, the Registrar of Voters certified the signatures.

The measure now heads to the Solano County Board of Supervisors, which will vote at the end of June on whether to immediately adopt the initiative, place it on the November ballot or first request a report assessing the impacts the project would have on the county.

Supervisor Mitch Mashburn has already announced his intention to request the report and said the board "will do everything we can to provide the facts needed to make an informed decision." That report will be published 30 days after it is requested — likely appearing before the board in late July.

"We're feeling great. We've had an incredibly exciting six weeks now that we submitted the signatures; we've had the opportunity to start delivering on all of [our] initiatives," California Forever CEO Jan Sramek told KQED. "This is just the beginning. There's more coming this summer."

California Forever has made myriad promises tied to its ambitious plan in eastern Solano County, including adding 15,000 new jobs to the county, delivering community benefits packages and offering down payment assistance programs for first-time homebuyers. In recent months, the company has begun to announce how it plans to make good on those promises.

Most recently, the company said it would offer a \$140,000 grant program to fund technical courses in IT support and data analytics to prepare residents for the jobs it promises will come once the initiative is approved. It also announced it would build a "Solano Sports Complex" with spaces for baseball, softball, football, basketball, soccer, volleyball, tennis, gymnastics, swimming and other sports.

"The sports complex fills a need that we have in Solano County that every child deserves to play at a state-of-the-art facility," Michael Fortney, California Forever's director of partnerships, told KQED. "People will be traveling from all over the state and nationally to come to Solano County to compete here, they'll be staying in our hotels, they'll be shopping in our shops, they'll be eating in our restaurants, and that will create a real economic boom for Solano County."



A California Forever billboard stands along I-80 in Vacaville on April 2, 2024. (Beth LaBerge/KQED)

The sports complex will be built only if the ballot initiative passes, but the money for the technical training grant program — along with \$500,000 that the company has already doled out to local nonprofits — would be handed out before the initiative comes before voters.

Still, many are not convinced about the project and its lofty promises.

Last week, the Solano Land Trust, a conservation agency, officially came out against the project and urged voters to "vote no on a November ballot measure that would allow the development of the East Solano Plan."

"After careful consideration, we reached the informed conclusion that a development of this magnitude will have a detrimental impact on Solano County's water resources, air quality, traffic, farmland and natural environment," Nicole Braddock, executive director of the organization, said in a statement (PDF). "The plan runs counter to Solano Land Trust's mission of preserving land and water for current and future generations in Solano County."

Solano Together, a grassroots organization opposed to the East Solano Plan, has started printing and handing out yard signs saying "No to California Forever" to those opposed to the plan. Other organizations, including Sustainable Solano, have also publicly opposed the project, citing concerns about a strain on water resources and traffic the new development might bring.

"I think it's really easy to say no," Sramek said on Tuesday, blaming the opposition on "special interest groups." "What we are hearing from voters is this is the most credible plan that they've ever seen to make life better for working families in Solano County."

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Continuing Education

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By Deren Boyd

How many of your project managers know when heat-management training for everyone on their crew expires? What about bulldozer operator certificates? Scaffolding safety?

On the flip side: How many of those same managers feel comfortable calling workers over to finish a job to meet a deadline?

My guesses: None of them and all of them.

That's not a knock on your managers. Nobody should have to keep all that information in their head, and everyone should be able to expect their crew to pitch in. But the reality is that asking someone to do a task they're not trained for is a recipe for accident and injury. The good news: Digital training solutions can greatly mitigate the risk. Here's how:

1. Custom training content: Every construction firm is different, and every jobsite

is different. A bricklayer with five years of experience at one company will need additional training to learn the specifics of a new employer. An experienced crew may need special training for a new jobsite. Digitaltraining software makes it possible to create custom content that communicates exactly what your employees need, word for word, slide for slide, image for image.

2. Training available anywhere: With a mobile component, workers can access digital training from anywhere, on any device. A site manager could call over three people to help finish a scaffolding teardown, for example, and, before they got started, have them watch a three-minute tutorial.

3. Push notifications: Even the best-kept paper or spreadsheet records require employees and managers to proactively check them. That's a lot to ask when day-to-day work is high-stakes and deadline-driven. Digital-training software can provide push reminders about expiring certifications, so staying in compliance stays top of mind.

Competency is key to safety, and with the construction industry facing a historic labor shortage that extends to teachers and trainers, one of the most important things you can do to protect your crews is ensure they know how to do the work you ask of themsafely. Digital training solutions make that much easier by ensuring necessary guidance is always relevant and always available.

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Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration – Base Isolation Seismic Retrofit Los Angeles, CA

McCarthy Building Companies, Inc., working as the Construction Manager at Risk in conjunction with the Department of Public Works for Los Angeles County, is soliciting interest from qualified subcontractors to participate in the bidding for award phase of the project.

Project description: The Hall of Administration Base Isolation Seismic retrofit project consists of the installation of seismic isola-tors under the foundation of the existing building. Hydraulic jacks and temporary load-bearing shoring will be installed in phases to support and transfer the gravity loads from the existing columns/walls to new support foundations. Seismic strengthening of the superstructure using new concrete shear walls is required at select interior locations. These interior locations will require demolition and reconstruction. Select restrooms will receive ADA upgrades and elevators are to be modernized. A most gap will be construc-tion of the existing attent using earth-retention walls. Shoring and earthwork operations will require demolition and reconstruc-tion of the existing site around the building. Underground utilities will be modified or replaced. This project will be profered at an tion of the existing site around the building. Underground utilities will be modified or replaced. This project will be performed at an active site where the building is occupied during typical work hours. Provisions of various sorts will be accommodated so as not to disrupt the occupants of the building.

Project Location: 500 West Temple Street, Los Angeles, CA 90012

Work categories include: Monitoring: Food Service Equipment (modifications); Asphalt Paving (with Striping)

Key Dates: Request for Proposals (RFP) issued to Subcontractors via Building Connected website; Proposals Due to McCarthy Building Companies – 08/01/24.

This project requires: Prevailing Wages

Contractor Controlled Insurance Program (CCIP)

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Specification No. 22-09 Contract No. C51632

SMALL BUSINESS GOAL 25%

BID DATE August 7, 2024 at 11:00 a.m.

All Quotes Due Prior

Sukut Construction, LLC 4010 W. Chandler Avenue, Santa Ana, CA 92704

Contact: Nathan Rodriguez

Phone: (714) 540-5351 • Fax: (714) 545-2003 • Email: estimating@sukut.com

Plans/specs are available for viewing at our office by appointment, by Sukut FTP, or from Owner. Subcontractors must be prepared to furnish 100% performance and payment bonds and possess current insurance and workers' comp coverage. Sukut will assist qualified subcontractors in obtaining bonds, insurance, and/or lines of credit. Subcontractors/Vendors will be required to sign Sukut's Standard Subcontract/Purchase Order. Copies are available for examination. Please contact Nathan Rodriguez at Sukut Construction for assistance in responding to this solicitation.

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Alex Kushner General Inc is requesting sub-bids from qualified MBE/WBE/OBE/SBE/LBE/DVBE subcontrac suppliers, manufacturers & truckers for: Contra Costa County Public Works Dept., 255 Glacier Drive, Martine ve, Martinez, CA Project: OAK GROVE CENTER 1034 OAK GROVE ROAD, CONCORD, CA 94518 FOR THE CONTRA COSTA COUNTY HEALTH SERVICES DEPARTMENT Authorization No. WH380A/B Bid Due Date: on or before the 18th day of July, 2024 at 2:00 p.m

For the following (but not limited to) work: demolition, concrete form work, concrete cast in place, metal fabrication, decora-tive metal railing, wood studs framing and carpentry, drywall, insulation thermal and sound, tpo roofing, striping, electrical, plumbing, painting, tiling, flooring, glazing, aluminum storefronts, doors and hardware, fire sprinklers, fire alarm, ac paving, pavers, irrigation and landscaping.

If you are interested in bidding on this work or know someone who is, please contact Alex at 415-756-0945 Fax: 415-358-5769 email: amadevelopers@hotmail.com

Plans, Specs, and Requirements for the project are available for review at our office in San Francisco or by email we will email to you upon request and / or at the Contra Costa County Public Works Department's Online Planroom www.cccounty.us/cpmprojects

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Request for Qualification (REQ) RFQ Period: July 1, 2024 – July 17, 2024

Turner Construction Company (Turner) is seeking gualified Subcontractors for the following project:

Moffitt Library – University of California, Berkeley UCB Project No. 12738A

Turner has been awarded the UCB Moffitt Library project designed by BNIM Architects and MEP by Introba, located at the UC Berkeley Campus along University Drive, with Memorial Glade and Doe Library to the east, California Hall to the south, and Valley Life Sciences Building to the west. This is a renovation of 3 full floors and upgrades to an additional 2 floors totaling 102,000 square feet within the existing Moffitt Library. These renovations will bring upgrades to the currently underutilized floors of the library, expanding the student's study and collaboration spaces. This project is seeking LEED certification and is subject to Buy Clean California regulation.

Trade Subcontractors who do not submit the pre-qualification information and are not pre-qualified will not be allowed to propose on the project

Turner is currently seeking RFQs for the following Trade Packages:

Bid Package #	Trade Package	Approximate Value
BP-02	FINAL CLEANING	\$99,000
BP-02	DEMOLITION	\$900,000
BP-02	CONCRETE	\$338,000
BP-02	MASONRY	\$24,000
BP-02	MISC METAL	\$136,000
BP-02	MILLWORK	\$938,000
BP-02	WATERPROOFING	\$20,000
BP-02	DOORS, FRAMES, HARDWARE	\$365,000
BP-02	GLAZING	\$418,000
BP-02	DRYWALL / PLASTER	\$1,400,000
BP-02	TILE	\$250,000
BP-02	ACOUSTICAL CEILING TILE	\$1,800,000
BP-02	FLOORING	\$538,000
BP-02	PAINTING	\$284,000
BP-02	SPECIALTIES	\$130,000
BP-02	SIGNAGE	\$46,000
BP-02	TOILET PARTITIONS / ACCESSORIES	\$150,000
BP-02	FOOD SERVICE EQUIPMENT	\$73,000
BP-02	WINDOW TREATMENTS	\$51,000
BP-02	CONVEYING	\$69,000
BP-02	FIRE PROTECTION	\$1,300,000
BP-02	PLUMBING	\$667,000
BP-02	HVAC	\$2,700,000
BP-02	LANDSCAPING	\$47,000
BP-02	SITEWORK	\$243,000

Turner has a 20% UBE [MBE/WBE/DVBE/LGBTQ+] goal for this project.

University Project Reference: https://www.lib.berkeley.edu/about/news/moffitt-fall-2022

For information on how to Pre-Qualify with Turner, please contact Crystal Chang - Subject: UCB Moffitt at the following email address: cchang@tcco.com

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DeSilva Gates Construction (DGC) is preparing a bid as a Prime Contractor for the project listed below: ROUTE 50, 80, 113 - FOR CONSTRUCTION ON STATE HIGHWAY IN SOLANO AND YOLO COUNTIES AT VARIOUS LOCATIONS, Contract No. 03-3H9014 Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Goal Assigned is 21% OWNER: STATE OF CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION 1727 30th Street, MS 43, Sacramento, CA 95816

BID DATE: JULY 30, 2024 @ 2:00 P.M

DGC is soliciting quotations from certified Disadvantaged Business Enterprises, for the following types of work and supplies/ materials including but not limited to:

AC Dike, Approach Slab Replacement, Biologist Consultant, Bridge, Clearing and Grubbing/Demolition, Cold Plane, Concrete Barrier, Construction Area Sign, Traffic Drum and Delineators, Electrical, Emulsion Supplier, Erosion Control, Fencing, Hazardous Material, Landscaping, Lead Compliance Plan, Metal Beam Guardrail, Minor Concrete, Minor Concrete Structure, Roadside Signs, Rumble Strip, Sign Structure, Stamped/Textured Paving, Striping, SWPPP Prep/Water Pollution Control Plan Prepare, Temporary Erosion Control, Underground, Vegetation Control, Trucking, Water Trucks, Street Sweeping, Class 2 Aggregate Base Material, Hot Mix Asphalt (Type A) Material, Rubberized HMA (Open Grade) Material and Rubberized HMA (Gag Grade) Material

Plans and specifications may be reviewed at our offices located at 11555 Dublin Boulevard, Dublin, CA or 3855 N Freeway Blvd Suite 100, Sacramento, CA 95834, or at your local Builders Exchange, or reviewed and downloaded from the dropbox site at https://www.dropbox.com/sh/5rvdc1bwfbasgl9/AABbrd0ba51_kN3GtAESfBUoa?dl=0 or from the Owner's site at www.dot. ca.gov/hq/esc/oe/weekly_ads/all_adv_projects.php

Fax your bid to (925) 803-4263 or email to <u>dgcestimating@desilvagates.com</u> to the attention of Estimator Victor Le. If you have questions for the Estimator, call at (925) 829-9220. When submitting any public works bid please include your DUNS number and DIR number. For questions regarding registration for DIR use the link at <u>www.dir.ca.gov/Public-Works/PublicWorks.html</u> If you need DBE support services and assistance in obtaining bonding, lines of credit, insurance, necessary equipment, materials and/or supplies or related assistance or services, for this project call the Estimator at (925) 829-9220, or contact your local Small Business Development Center Network (<u>http://californiasbdc.org</u>) or contact the California Southwest Transportation. Resource Center (<u>www.transportation.gov/osdbu/SBTRCs</u>). DGC is willing to breakout portions of work to increase the expectation of meeting the DBE goal.

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Your bid is due to Clark on or before July 26th, 2024 @ 5:00PM PST.

Project Description:

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The Modernization of the OCC project will provide upgrades that include CBTC specific infrastructure for Automatic Train Supervision (ATS) training, testing, and to provide new workstation consoles for the rail operators. 3 large LED display screens will provide the necessary improvements to monitor the BART system. A complete remodel of the OCC space with electrical, lighting, mechanical and a new fire suppression system, will modernize this essential facility.

The work is located at the BART facility at 800 Oak Street, Oakland, California, 94607. The Engineer's Estimate for the project is \$18.6 million.

INFORMATION ABOUT PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS

Drawings, Specifications, and Scope Information May Be Obtained From: BART for \$200 after BART approves the REQUEST FOR THIRD PARTY NON-DISCLOSURE AGREEMENT FOR RELEASE OF SECURITY SENSITIVE INFORMATION FOR BIDDING PURPOSES.

You can contact Ray Wang at raymond.wang@clarkconstruction.com (949-566-1428) for this form.

Bid documents can be viewed at: Clark Construction Group – California, LP, 1919 California Blvd, Walnut Creek, CA 94596.

Trade Packages Include: Testing & Inspection, Demolition, Concrete Reinforcement, CIP Concrete, Miscellaneous Metals, Casework, Insulation, Fireproofing, Joint Sealants, HM Doors, Access Hatches, Glass & Glazing, Access Flooring, Resilient Flooring, Drywall/Framing, Acoustic Paneling, Painting, Signage, Metal Lockers, Fire Extinguishers, Kitchen Appliances, Furniture, Fire Suppression, Plumbing, HVAC, and Electrical.

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BID DATE: JULY 25, 2024 @ 10:00 A.M.

DGC is soliciting quotations from certified Disadvantaged Business Enterprises, for the following types of work and supplies/ materials including but not limited to:

AC Dike, Adjust Iron, Biologist Consultant, Clearing and Grubbing/Demolition, Cold Plane, Emulsion Supplier, Erosion Control, Hydroseeding, Metal Beam Guardrail, Striping, Testing, Traffic Control Systems, Underground, Trucking, Water Trucks, Street Sweeping and Hot Mix Asphalt (Type A) Material Plans and specifications may be reviewed at our offices located at 11555 Dublin Boulevard, Dublin, CA or 3855 N Freeway

Blvd Suite 100, Sacramento, CA 95834, or at your local Builders Exchange, or reviewed and downloaded from the dropbox site at https://www.dropbox.com/sh/5rvdc1bwfbasgl9/AABbrd0ba51_kN3GtAESfBUoa?dl=0 or from the Owner's site at www.dot.ca.gov/hq/esc/oe/weekly_ads/all_adv_projects.php

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If you need DBE support services and assistance in obtaining bonding, lines of credit, insurance, necessary equipment, materials and/or supplies or related assistance or services, for this project call the Estimator at (925) 829-9220, or contact your local Small Business Development Center Network (<u>http://californiasbdc.org</u>) or contact the California Southwest Transportation Resource Center (<u>www.transportation.gov/osdbu/SBTRCs</u>). DGC is willing to breakout portions of work to increase the expectation of meeting the DBE goal.

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WESTERN WATER (WW), is seeking quotes from qualified subcontractors and suppliers, including but not limited to San Francisco HRC certified LBE & NPE firms, for the construction of:

Sunnydale Pump Station Safety Improvements, Contract No. WW-755

Engineer's Estimate: \$9,500,000 Bid Date & Time: July 25th at 2:00 P.M. Project Location: Brisbane, CA

WW has identified the following potential contracting opportunities for qualified subcontractors and suppliers on this project:

General Engineering (A), General Building (B), Concrete (C-8) / Concrete Related Services (D-6), Electrical (C-10), Earthwork & Paving (C-12), HVAC (C-20), Demolition (C-21), Security Equipment (C-28), Traffic Control (C-31), Painting (C-33), Pipeline (C-34), Plumbing (C-36), Rebar (C-50), Pumps (D-21), Metal Products (D-24), Doors (D-28), Waterproofing & Weatherproofing (D-51), and Mobile Office Rental.

Information regarding bonding, insurance, lines of credit, and any technical assistance or information related to the plans or specifications and requirements for the work will be made available to all interested firms. Plans and specs are available to view at our office and access to digital copies will be provided upon request.

For more information or to provide quotes, please contact:

Western Water, 707 Aviation Blvd, Santa Rosa, CA Cameron Brum, Estimating Coordinator <u>bids@westernwater.com</u>, Phone: (707) 540-9640, Fax: (707) 540-9641

Subcontractors will be required to comply with all subcontract insurance requirements, which include providing a waiver of subrogation endorsement to their worker's compensation insurance.

The City has a surety bond program, which assists LBE contractors in obtaining bonding and financing for contracts awarded by the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission. For further information contact: Jennifer Elmore at (415) 217-6578.

The SFPUC has adopted a Project Labor Agreement (PLA) which will apply to this Project. All contractors must sign a letter of assent, binding the contractor to the terms of the PLA.

Interested subs and suppliers should complete and submit the attached solicitation form no later than 24 hours prior to bid.

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Ultimate Guide to Construction Cost Codes for Project Managers

[Article originally appeared in https://constructible.trimble.com]

What are Construction Cost Codes?

Codes in construction help standardize the documentation process. But overly complex cost coding processes can work against you.

The market for commercial construction in the United States is a little more than \$230 billion in 2022, according to research firm IBIS-World. Given the high monetary stakes and the complexities at various stages of the project, construction companies need to rely on standardized processes to keep an eye on costs.

Budget and construction cost management codes are efficient ways to do so. They enable firms to categorize costs, understand spending patterns, and easily provide the documentation necessary for governmental reporting and oversight.

Developing Construction Cost Codes

The total cost of a construction project can be broken down into a list of line items, each of which includes:

- Construction phase
- Construction
- Construction

Construction phase: The construction phase is essentially the building process and any related activities such as demolition, site preparation, or refurbishment. While the general contractor will oversee a construction project, it is common to divide the project into construction phases, such as design, warranty, tenant improvements, etc. Construction codes: The number included in the construction code indicates which aspect of the project is being addressed. Giving each line item in the project a distinct and standardized code helps construction professionals easily understand the language. Most companies in the United States follow the cost code protocols established by the Construction Specifications Institute. For example, if a line item lists 03, it means concrete, while 08 means doors and windows. The CSI specifies 48 such codes.

Construction types: These are the categories within a cost code. For example, even under concrete, you might have the following different cost types (to name a few):

- Labor
- Equipment
- Materials

The Benefits of Using Construction Cost Codes

While there are many benefits to using cost codes, the most notable include standardization, cost control, real-time tracking and profitability.

- Standardization Standardization of cost codes is immensely useful as it leaves no room for misinterpretation of project information or costly delays caused by data errors.
- Cost control By adopting standardized cost codes, organizations can track costs more efficiently and manage project budgets with a sustainable process.

- **Real-time tracking** When cost codes are used by your construction management software, project data can be easily maintained, accessed and reported on with accurate, real-time tracking.
- **Profitability** Cost code data related to construction types (i.e. equipment, labor and material) can be used to identify areas where a project is going over budget or where profit is more quickly realized.

Professionals also might not always appreciate being locked into a rigid WBS system.

Construction Cost Codes in WBS and Flat Organizational Structure

Keeping this method of classifying projects as context, construction firms use techniques that broadly shake out into two categories:

Work breakdown structure (WBS)

Open or flat structure.

WBS is a project management system not unique to construction, which breaks down categories into detailed hierarchies. Such a level of detail allows managers to pinpoint, to exacting detail, where the money is being budgeted and spent-and when. This mirrors the same structure you would use in scheduling a project only with a focus on the financial aspect of things.

The open structure allows more flexibility if managers are unsure of hierarchies and want to build the code without being tied to a fixed set of parameters even before they have a clear understanding of the project. You can elect to utilize the same breakdown as a WBS structure, simplify your options, or do a combination of the two.

In addition to construction cost code and cost types, industry professionals can break down projects into even more detail using "segments" as needed. So a complete code would look like:

Project phase–Construction Code–Construction Type–Segment

While it might be tempting to set-up 10 levels of complexity to really nail down a code, such detail can easily become overwhelming and difficult to document consistently.

Looking Beyond Cost Codes in Construction Management Software

While construction management software companies sometimes brag about the level of segments their programs are capable of accommodating, it helps to remember that such complexity can be overkill and unnecessarily overwhelming for documentation purposes. Professionals also might not always appreciate being locked into a rigid WBS system. Keeping an eye on the big picture will give you more clarity about the key factors to evaluate when picking a construction management software program.

Visit link for the full article:

https://constructible.trimble.com/blog/ultimate-guide-to-construction-cost-codes-forproject-managers

Mayor London Breed Announces National Call For Artists to Create Chinatown Artist Registry

[Article originally appeared in www.sf.gov]

Mayor London N. Breed joined representatives from the San Francisco Arts Commission (SFAC) and CCC of San Francisco (Chinese Culture Center) to announce the launch of the Chinatown Artist Registry. The Request for Qualifications (RFQ) is an unprecedented call for artists with connections to Chinatown who will be eligible for consideration for several upcoming publicly funded art projects in the neighborhood.

Led by SFAC in partnership with CCC of San Francisco, the Chinatown Artist Registry will be used in the selection of artists to create and display artwork at three capital improvement construction projects taking place in Chinatown, including Portsmouth Square, Chinatown Public Health Center, and Chinatown Him Mark Lai Branch Library.

Artists from across the U.S., whether they currently reside, have resided in Chinatown, or have another significant connection to Chinatown, are encouraged to apply. Upon approval by the Arts Commission, the selected artists will enter into contract for the Chinatown public art opportunities in early 2025. "Chinatown Public Health Center, Portsmouth Square, and the Chinatown Him Mark Lai Branch Library are iconic locations where Chinatown residents, including immigrant families, access essential services and socialize," said Mayor London Breed. "The Chinatown Artist Registry will allow us to tap into the creative minds of artists who will spotlight and uplift this amazing neighborhood while creating beautiful and welcoming environments for future generations. I want to thank the San Francisco Arts Commission, CCC of San Francisco and all of the partner agencies for making the registry a reality."

The idea of a Chinatown Artist Registry was conceived as a way to celebrate and enrich the cultural heritage of Chinatown and the Greater San Francisco community by integrating unique and inspiring artworks into these important community spaces. The City is committed to investing over \$2 million in funding to the implementation of these public art initiatives:

Portsmouth Square Improvement Project

Known as the "Living Room of Chinatown," Portsmouth Square is a bustling public space rich in history. The artworks here will honor the square's historical significance and foster a sense of community and belonging. The new public art commissions include a sculpture and an integrated wall work. Additional funding for these projects came from the State of California

Chinatown Public Health Center Renovation Project

Located on the corner of Broadway Avenue and Mason Street, this health center is a vital community resource, providing quality and cost-effective primary care people of all ages with expertise and competence in serving immigrants. Public art opportunities include one exterior art wall, three interior art walls, and two-dimensional artwork purchases; they will reflect the promotion of wellness, healing, and the cultural vibrancy of the community. The renovation is led by San Francisco Public Works.

Chinatown Him Mark Lai Branch Library Renovation Project

Located on Powell Street between Washington and Jackson, this public library branch is a cornerstone of education and cultural exchange. The public art opportunity for this location is an integrated wall-mounted two-dimensional artwork. The selected artwork will inspire learning, celebrate knowledge, and reflect the library's role as a community hub. The project is led by San Francisco Public Works.

"The Arts Commission is honored to work closely with our community partners in Chinatown to incorporate new and exciting public art that speaks directly to, and is reflective of the neighborhood," says Ralph Remington, Director of Cultural Affairs for the San Francisco Arts Commission. "Public art plays a pivotal role in shaping and enhancing the urban environment. By establishing a dedicated artist registry, we will be able to work directly with artists who have meaningful connections to Chinatown to create artwork that honors heritage and incorporates contemporary cultural expressions."

This historical call for artists to support the arts in Chinatown's public spaces is building on a successful model from 2018, when the San Francisco Arts Commission led a similar initiative to establish the Bayview Artist Registry. Eligible artists were then selected for public art opportunities at the Southeast Community Center, Southeast Family Health Center, Southeast Wastewater Treatment Plant, and India Basin Shoreline Park projects.

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