

MEMORIAL FOR THE FALLEN

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BACKGROUND

Proposed public artwork honoring Manhattan Beach service members who died in active duty

Initiated by resident and historian Gary McAulay

Guided by the Parks and Recreation Commission, Cultural Arts Commission, and the Arts in Public Places Committee

The project seeks to create a dedicated memorial



VISION

- Stand alone monument with name plaques of fallen soldiers
- Intimate, contemplative sculpture design
- Traditional and dignified aesthetic
- Potential materials: granite, marble, concrete, bronze
- Space to add additional names



GOALS



Specifically honor Manhattan Beach community members who made the ultimate sacrifice while serving in the Armed Forces



Delineate from Veterans Monument, which is intended to celebrate everyone who has served in the armed forces



Install in the Civic Center Plaza to accommodate memorial events



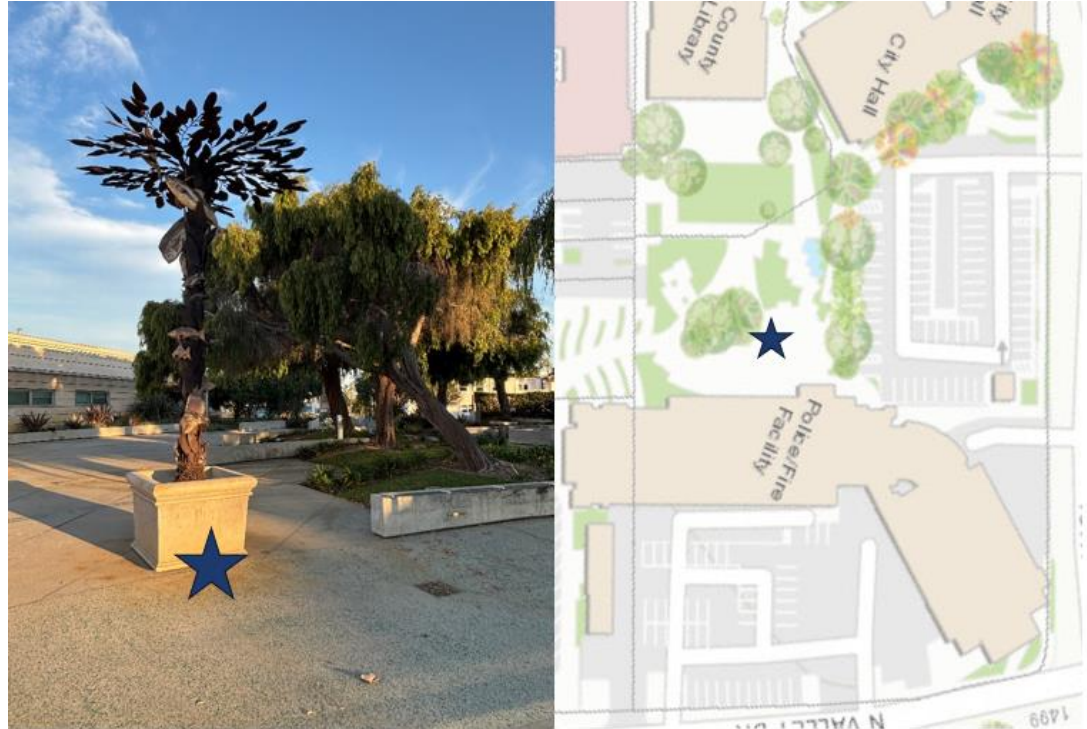
SITE OPTION #1

Pros

- Location appropriate for ceremonies/ gatherings
- Easy ADA access
- Minimal infrastructure needed
- Doesn't impact Farmers' Market
- Good seating opportunity behind sculpture

Cons

- Must relocate existing sculpture



SITE OPTION #2

Pros

- Easy ADA access
- Minimal infrastructure needed
- Doesn't impact Farmers' Market
- Existing seating space

Cons

- Farther from event space/stage
- Less desirable backdrop/framing



SITE OPTION #3

Pros

- Contemplative and intimate space
- Good framing with tree
- Doesn't impact thoroughfare

Cons

- Requires more infrastructure
- Design challenges with separate plaque because of ADA
- Limited gathering space



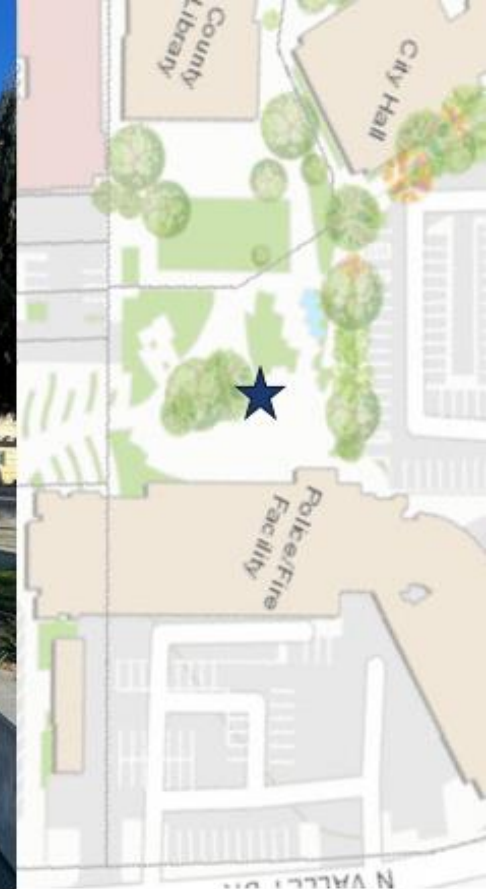
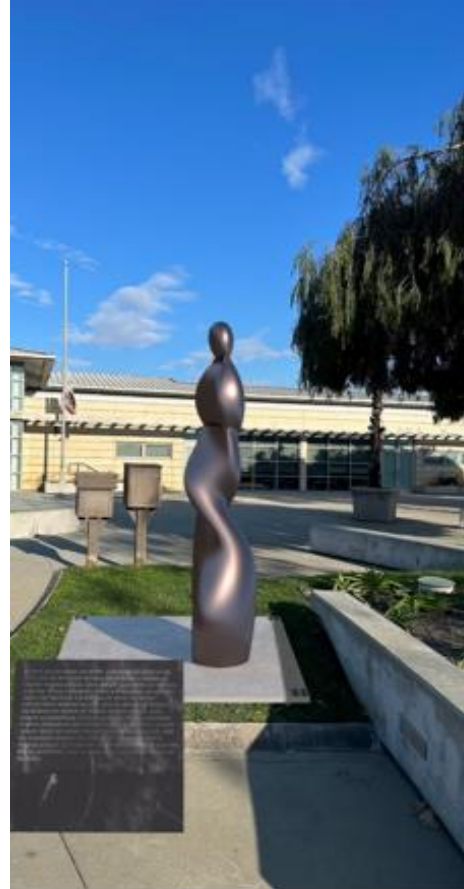
SITE OPTION #4

Pros

- Close to event space
- No impact on thoroughfare

Cons

- Additional infrastructure needed
- Design challenges with separate plaque because of ADA
- Limited gathering space
- Poor backdrop



FISCAL IMPACT



Total Project Budget: \$150,000, covering artist fees, design, materials, fabrication, installation oversight, site preparation, permitting, foundation work, and dedication costs.



Artist Allocation: \$100,000 for artist design fees, fabrication, transportation, and installation oversight.



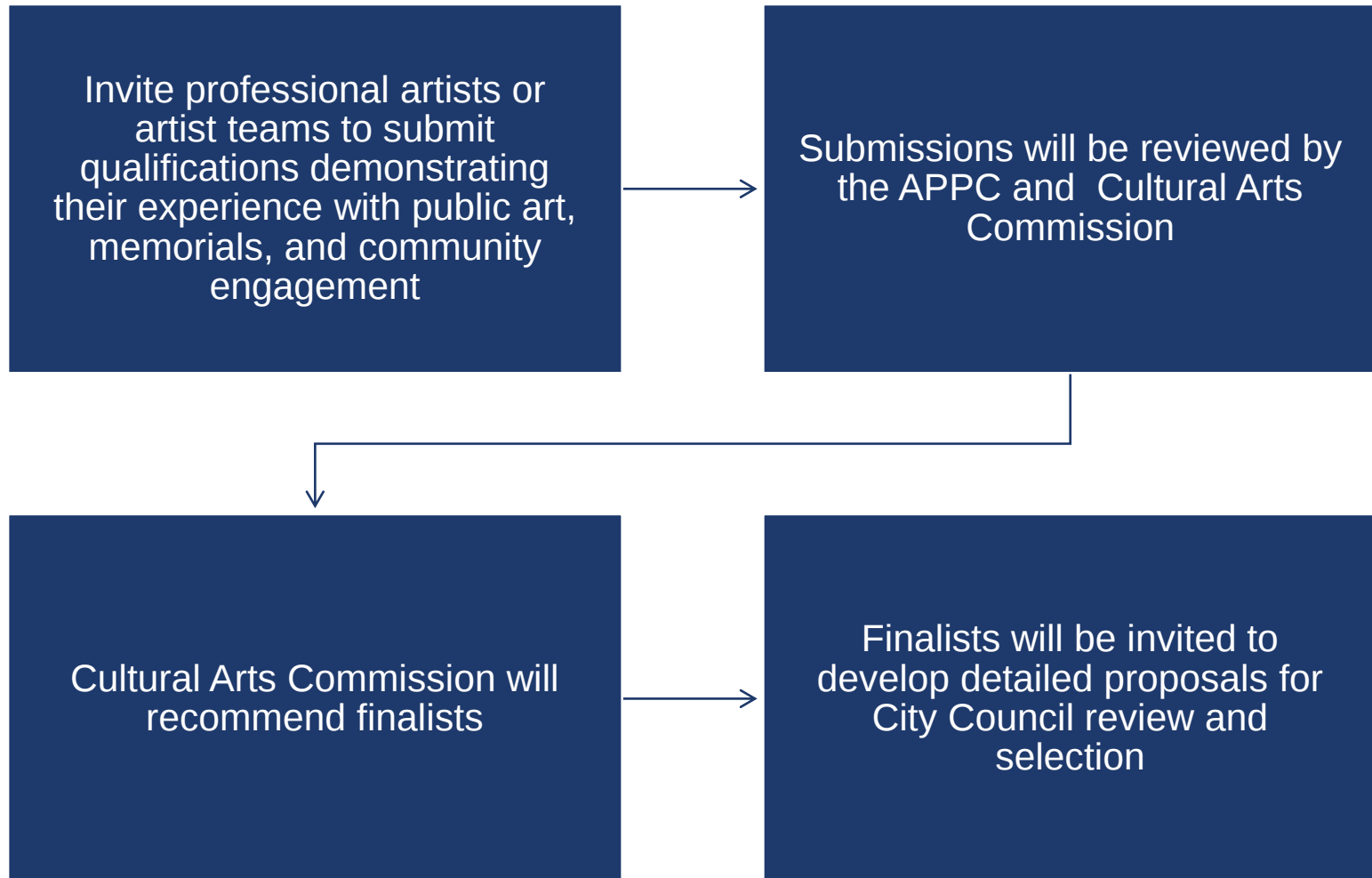
City Allocation: \$50,000 reserved for engineering, permits, site preparation, installation, contingency, and dedication event.



Funding Source: Public Arts Fund (PAF), which currently has a total balance of approximately \$1.67 million, with an unallocated balance of \$818,000.



RFQ PROCESS



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Staff, the Cultural Arts Commission and the Arts in Public Places Committee request City Council to approve the Memorial for the Fallen project parameters, authorize issuance of a Request for Qualifications, and allocate \$150,000 from the Public Art Fund.



