

Memorandum



CITY OF DALLAS

DATE February 7, 2020

TO Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

SUBJECT **Agenda Item #18, February 12, 2020 - Adelfa Callejo Sculpture Donation**

On February 12, 2020, City Council will consider a contract to accept a sculpture depicting Adelfa Callejo. The Quality of Life, Arts and Culture Committee reviewed and unanimously recommended City Council action on February 12, 2020, to accept the donation for placement at Main Street Garden. The Committee also requested the proposed site for placement at the location, which is included with this memorandum.

However, on February 6, 2020, the Park & Recreation Board deferred action to approve the park site in order to gather public input. Therefore, staff will provide an alternate motion for City Council consideration on February 12, 2020. The alternate motion will accept the donation for placement at Main Street Garden Park, at a specific site to be subsequently approved by the Park & Recreation Board.

Additionally, the alternate motion will include additional terms recently requested by the Callejo-Botello Foundation granting them the right-of-first refusal upon deaccession from the public art collection and limited commercial use of the image of the sculpture.

The recommended contract authorizes the acceptance of the donation from the Foundation of the sculpture "Adelfa Callejo," created by artist Michel German Leal, valued at \$100,000.00, and its installation by the Foundation at the northeast corner of Main Street Garden located at 1920 Main Street. In accordance with the City of Dallas Cultural Policy, the donor is providing a \$10,000.00 donation, or 10% of the value, for future conservation and maintenance costs.

Adelfa Callejo was the first Latina to graduate from Southern Methodist University School of Law, the first Latina to practice law in Dallas, and one of the first Latinas nationwide to receive a law degree. Callejo represented the disadvantaged as an acclaimed civil rights lawyer. Among her numerous accomplishments, she served as regional president of the Hispanic National Bar Association, director of the State Bar of Texas, and founder and past president of the Mexican-American Bar Association of Texas.

If you have questions, please contact Jennifer Scripps, Director of Arts and Culture.

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Joey Zapata
Assistant City Manager

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Proposed Site: Main Street Garden Northeast Corner – Opposite UNT Law School

