

CALL FOR ARTISTS | Aubrey Municipal Development District Building



Front of building



Northside wall of building



Southside wall of building

About the Project: The Aubrey Municipal Development District (“MDD”) Building, which also houses the Chamber of Commerce, is seeking artist qualifications and proposals (“Proposals”) for a mural project on the north and sides of their building on Main Street in Aubrey (“Project”). The mural wall surface is painted concrete block. The north wall has 3 windows, and the dimension of the entire wall is 10’ 9” tall by 50’ 1” wide (see last page for specs on windows and gutters). The south wall has 1 window and 1 door and is 10’ 1” to 10’ 9” tall due to foundation depth at the back end of the building and it is 50’ 1” wide (see last page for specs). Applicants must submit Proposals for the north wall, but may choose to also add a submission for the south wall.

The artwork for this Project must be culturally and socially appropriate for the community of Aubrey and sufficiently durable to withstand the elements of the Texas climate as well as interactions with the public. The successful artist must prime the wall and apply graffiti protection coat upon completion.

Theme: Proposals should reflect one or more of the following themes:

- Welcome to Aubrey
- Aubrey culture, history and/or landmarks
- Aubrey community

Budget: The Project budget should include all costs associated with the timely completion of the mural, including but not limited to design, materials, labor, rentals, travel, per diem expenses, insurance, and contingency funds. The artist will be paid an allowance for materials upon signing a contract and the remainder upon completion of the mural.

Eligibility: Any Texas-based artist or collection of artists with demonstrated experience in large-format artwork may apply.

Application Requirements: Applicants must submit the following information through the application provided online, and email or deliver it by 5 p.m. on Wednesday, May 8th, 2024:

- Contact Information
- CV or resume

- 3-5 images of recent relevant or similar work
- Statement of interest that includes: the reason the artist is pursuing this opportunity, why the artist or group of artists is the best candidate, a brief overview of the artist(s)'s experience in large-format artwork, and a description of the artist(s)'s idea for the mural design.
- 2 references
- Proposed sketch or sketches of a possible design for the mural.

Confidentiality

All applications submitted shall remain confidential. After award, applications will be made available for public inspection. The MDD shall not be responsible for the confidentiality of any trade secrets or other information contained or disclosed in the Proposal unless clearly identified as such.

Disqualification

Disqualification may occur for any of the following reasons:

- The applicant is involved in any litigation against the City of Aubrey or the Aubrey Municipal Development District.
- The applicant is in arrears on any existing contract or has defaulted on previous contract(s) with the City or
- The applicant is debarred, suspended, or otherwise excluded from or ineligible for participation in State or Federal assistance programs.

Selection Process: A selection committee will select up to three finalists and ask them to come present at the May Aubrey MDD board meeting. Finalists may attend the MDD board meeting via zoom. The finalists will need to have a site-specific proposal that includes a scaled color rendering, budget, and installation timeline.

Applicants are advised that the MDD reserves the right to evaluate the Proposals without input from the applicants. Therefore, Proposals should be complete as initially submitted. However, if you are selected for an interview, you will be expected to present not only your Proposal, but also your approach.

The selection committee staff shall make a recommendation to the MDD Board of the selection of the applicant who provides the goods or services at the best value and meeting the aesthetic goals of the MDD to enter into contract negotiations with the MDD.

Should negotiations be unsuccessful, the MDD may enter into negotiations with the next, highest ranked applicant until an agreement for services and fees is reached. This process may continue until an agreement is reached.

The RFP does not commit the MDD to pay for any direct and/or indirect costs incurred in the preparation and presentation of the Proposal. All finalist(s) shall pay their own costs incurred in preparing for, traveling to, and attending the interviews. The MDD reserves the right to accept or reject any and all or part of the Proposals for any reason whatsoever.

Although the MDD desires to contract with a single applicant for all work/services to be provided, the MDD reserves the right to split the work/services and deal with multiple applicants if it is deemed to be in the MDD's best interest. All Proposals become the property of the Aubrey Municipal Development District.

Anticipated Timeline: (Dates below are tentative for planning purposes and subject to change)

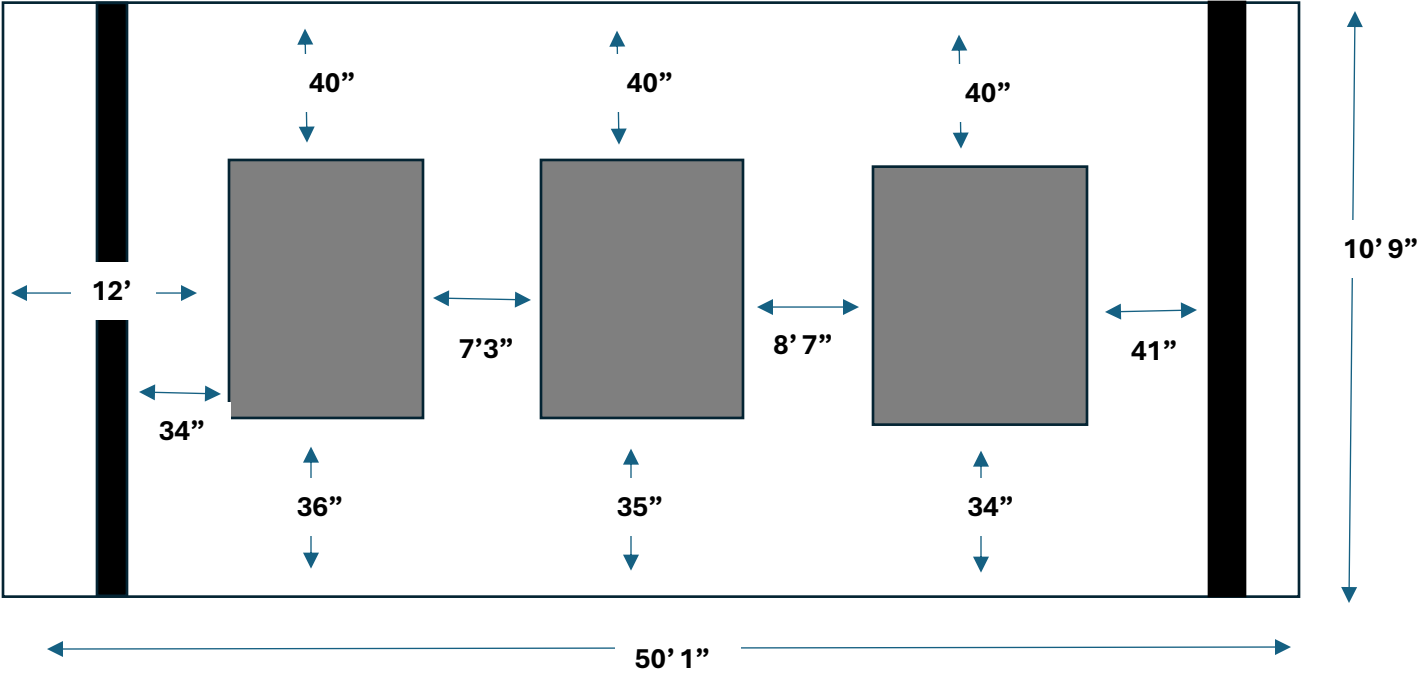
- March 15, 2024 - Call for Artist opens
- April 8, 2024 – Applications and concept sketches due
- April 12, 2024 – Finalists announced
- May 6, 2024 – Finalist Concepts Due
- May 8, 2024, 5 pm – Finalist Concepts Due
- May/June 2024 - Finalist Presentations and Selection
- Mural must be complete – TBD 2024

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