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city of san luis obispo

December 17, 2008

TO: Artists interested in the Higuera Street Fountain Public Art Project #90891

FROM: Shannon Bates, Public Art Coordinator

SUBJECT: RESPONSE TO QUESTIONS POSED AT THE WALK-THRU, DECEMBER 5, 2008

During the December 5, 2008 artist walk-thru for the Higuera Street Fountain public art project (#90891), several questions were raised. The following information provides a response to each question:

1. Lighting is an important component of a public art piece. The artist is responsible for providing the fixtures used to light the final piece. The City of San Luis Obispo provides electrical conduit at the median (120V AC connection).
2. The water feature must have a 48 inch set-back from the curb on all sides of the median.
3. There are no height restrictions for this site.
4. The load capacity of the site is undetermined – artists must work with a registered structural engineer to determine.
5. There is no historical significance to the site. However, artist(s) are encouraged to consider the site as a main entry and exit to the City.
6. The City of San Luis Obispo will provide a 1½ horsepower submersible water pump; any additional upgrades will be the responsibility of the artist(s).
7. Construction plans/CAD drawings are not available for the site, however the attached landscaping plans of the intersection are to scale and should provide sufficient information regarding the dimensions of the site and existing fountain basin.
8. The construction plans presented at the walk-thru which showed a pedestrian sidewalk adjacent to the fountain are NOT being pursued by the developer at this time. Therefore, selected finalists may present concepts to the jury that treat the entire site comprehensively with the exception of the mandatory set-backs mentioned in #2.
9. See attached Public Art Guidelines as referenced at the walk-thru.