

**SOUND TRANSIT
STAFF REPORT**

MOTION NO. M2009-71

Contract Amendment for Artists Services for SeaTac/Airport Station

Meeting:	Date:	Type of Action:	Staff Contact:	Phone:
Finance Committee	09/03/09	Discussion/Possible Action	Ahmad Fazel, Link Executive Director Ron Lewis, Link Deputy Executive Director Barbara Luecke, Public Art Administrator	(206) 398-5389 (206) 689-4905 (206) 398-5059

Contract/Agreement Type:	✓	Requested Action:	✓
Competitive Procurement	✓	Execute New Contract/Agreement	
Sole Source		Amend Existing Contract/Agreement	✓
Agreement with Other Jurisdiction(s)		Budget Amendment	
Real Estate		Property Acquisition	

PROPOSED ACTION

Authorizes the chief executive officer to execute a contract amendment with Christian Moeller for fabrication and installation of artwork at the SeaTac/Airport Link light rail station in the amount of \$182,000, with a contingency of \$15,000, totaling \$197,000 for a new total contract amount not to exceed \$275,000.

KEY FEATURES of PROPOSED ACTION

- Authorizes funds required for the fabrication and installation phase of multi-phased artist contract. The contract amendment will also provide funding for prototype work needed following redesign of the SeaTac/Airport Link light rail station.
- Moeller's artwork will be integrated into the pedestrian bridge over International Boulevard that connects the light rail station to SeaTac's city center.
- The Port of Seattle has separately commissioned the artist to continue the artwork into the Port's pedestrian bridge that connects the light rail station to the airport's parking garage and main terminal.
- This action establishes a project contingency of less than 10% of the overall budget in the event there are unforeseen issues during the fabrication and installation of the artwork. These contingency funds will not be used without prior review, consideration of alternatives and authorization by Sound Transit.

BUDGET IMPACT SUMMARY

There is no action outside of the Board-adopted budget; there are no contingency funds required, no subarea impacts, or funding required from other parties other than what is already assumed in the financial plan.

BUDGET and FINANCIAL PLAN DISCUSSION

The proposed action would amend the Christian Moeller contract, increasing it by \$182,000 and creating a contingency of \$15,000 for a new total contract amount of \$275,000. The Adopted 2009 Budget for South King County subarea artwork is \$4,318,631 of which \$2,165,449 has been spent. The balance remaining after this action will be \$1,956,182. There are sufficient funds to complete this action within the project

budget. Committing these funds will not impact any other project elements that are to be funded out of the overall project.

BUDGET TABLE

Summary for Board Action (X \$1,000)

Action Item: Artwork for Airport Link SeaTac/Airport Station - Christian Moeller

	Adopted 2009 Lifetime Budget (1)	Spent to date (2)	Proposed Action	Balance
Start Budget				
Start South King County	4,319	2,165	197	1,956
Total	4,319	2,165	197	1,956

	Current Approved Contract Value	Spent to date (2)	Proposed Action	Proposed Total Contract Value
Contract Amount				
Christian Moeller	78	78	182	260
Contingency	-	-	15	15
Total Contract	78	78	197	275
Percent Contingency	0%	0%	8%	6%

Notes:

(1) The adopted budget for South King County can be found on page 235 of the Adopted 2009 Budget book.

(2) Spent to date amount reflects actual outlays through June 30, 2009.

SMALL BUSINESS PARTICIPATION

Christian Moeller is an individual doing business as an artist.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION and BACKGROUND for PROPOSED ACTION

Artist Christian Moeller’s artwork was selected as a result of a selection and design process involving the City of SeaTac, the Port of Seattle, and the station’s design team. The selection panel was seeking an artist that could create an artwork that would create a welcoming pedestrian experience as riders travel along the bridges that connect the SeaTac community and the main airport terminal, and whose work exhibits a high-level of craftsmanship. Mr. Moeller was commissioned in 2005.

The artwork consists of a series of kinetic arms attached to the pedestrian bridge ceiling, based on the “repeller” method of bird detergency. The artwork will include the names of birds native to Washington State, many of which are found in the wetlands surrounding the airport.

This action also provides funding for prototype work following redesign of the station. Due to the technological/kinetic nature of the artwork, funds were allocated in the design phase to create a prototype of the artwork in order to identify and correct any potential issues with the mechanization prior to fabrication of the full artwork. However, when the station was redesigned, the funds called out for the prototype were redirected toward design of a replacement artwork that would fit in the new pedestrian bridge design. Because the artwork is also kinetically based, it is still necessary to create a small prototype of the artwork to ensure proper functionality prior to fabrication of the full-scale artwork.

Prior Board/Committee Actions on this Project

None.

CONSEQUENCES of DELAY

General construction of SeaTac/Airport Station is on schedule and the station will begin service in December 2009. Delay of this action would place the artwork at high risk of not being ready for installation prior to opening of the station.

PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT

Christian Moeller's current design has been approved by City of SeaTac staff and City Council.

ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE

Jl 8/6/2009

LEGAL REVIEW

LA 8/28/2009

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A motion of the Finance Committee of the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority authorizing the chief executive officer to execute a contract amendment with Christian Moeller for fabrication and installation of artwork at the SeaTac/Airport Link light rail station in the amount of \$182,000, with a contingency of \$15,000, totaling \$197,000 for a new total contract amount not to exceed \$275,000.

Background:

The contract amendment authorizes funds required for fabrication and installation phase of multi-phased artist contract. It will also provide funding for prototype work needed following redesign of the SeaTac/Airport Link light rail station.

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Motion:

It is hereby moved by the Finance Committee of the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority that the chief executive officer is authorized to execute a contract amendment with Christian Moeller for fabrication and installation of artwork at the SeaTac/Airport Link light rail station in the amount of \$182,000, with a contingency of \$15,000, totaling \$197,000 for a new total contract amount not to exceed \$275,000.

APPROVED by the Finance Committee of the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority at a regular meeting thereof held on September 3, 2009.


Fred Butler
Finance Committee Vice Chair

ATTEST:


Marcia Walker
Board Administrator