



REPORT TO CITY COUNCIL

DATE: OCTOBER 22, 2014

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

FROM: GREG RAMIREZ, CITY MANAGER 

BY: AMY BRINK, DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY SERVICES 

SUBJECT: PURCHASE OF BRONZE SCULPTURE FOR THE ART IN PUBLIC PLACES PROGRAM

The City of Agoura Hills established the Art in Public Places program back in 1998. At that time, the City Council recognized that public art would enhance the community. The City has been building the program and now has over eighteen pieces in its collection.

The Cultural Arts Council would like to present a piece of art to be added to the collection. It would be the Cultural Art Council's first purchase as a piece of public art for the Art in Public Places program. The goal of the Arts in Public Places program is to provide a collection of nationally recognized permanent art work that includes a wide range of art work styles, themes, and media. The piece being presented is called, "Angle of Repose" and it will be commissioned by the local artist, Daniel Stern.

"Angle of Repose" is a five foot long, bronze sculpture that reflects a man lying down, napping with a book on his lap. Daniel Stern has exhibited his artwork with the Tracy Park Gallery, Malibu, and through the L.A. Contemporary Gallery, Culver City, California. He lives locally and is very involved in the City of Malibu and it's newly-formed Arts Commission.

The Cultural Arts Council would like to place the sculpture outside, in front of the Agoura Hills City Hall/Library entrance. Daniel Stern creates his artwork with the idea that children could and would be able to climb on it. Therefore, the front entrance would be a perfect fit for this type of public art. The total cost of the project would be \$14,500, which includes purchase price and installation costs.

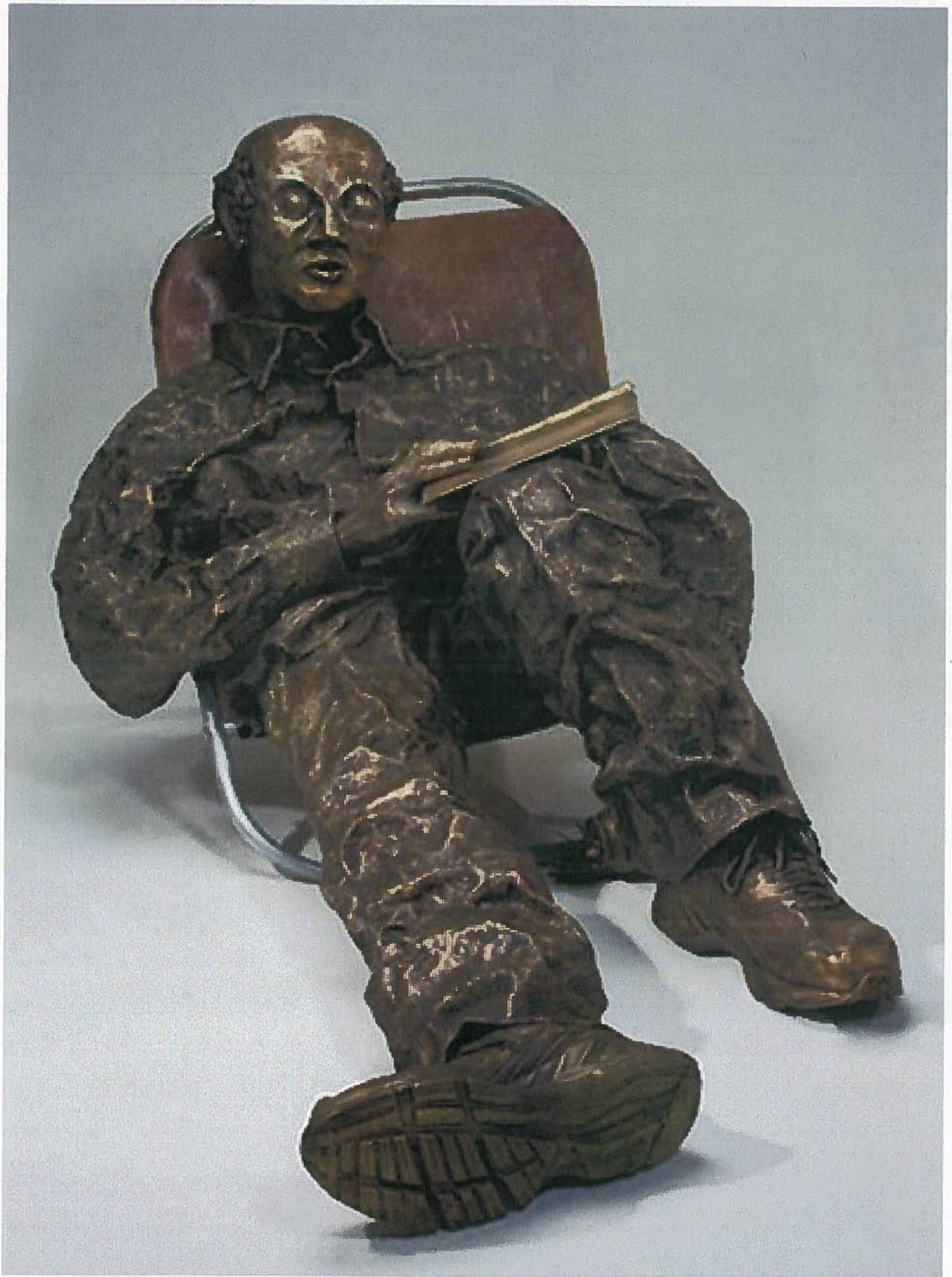
The Cultural Arts Council has unanimously approved the purchase of this piece. This item has also been discussed and approved by the Community Services Subcommittee.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff respectfully recommends the City Council:

1. Approve the purchase of the "Angle of Repose" piece of art from local artist Daniel Stern in the amount of \$14,000.
2. Approve the cost of installation for the piece at \$500.

Attachment: "Angle of Repose" by Daniel Stern



"Angle of Repose"
By Daniel Stern