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REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS ARTISTS SERVICES (PRE-QUALIFIED POOL) PAINTING AND TRANSFORMING TRAFFIC SIGNAL CONTROL CABINETS

Long Beach Redevelopment Agency
333 West Ocean Blvd., 3rd Floor
Long Beach, CA 90802
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THE CITY OF LONG BEACH

The City of Long Beach is California's fifth largest city and conveniently situated in the southwest corner of Los Angeles County. Long Beach is recognized nationally for its redevelopment activities. The City has a diverse economic base and is the headquarters of major manufacturing and service industries. Long Beach is an attractive and accessible coastal gateway that serves as an important tourist attraction and is home to the Queen Mary, Boeing, the Long Beach Aquarium, an expansive beachfront and one of the largest ports in the world.

PROJECT OVERVIEW

For over 45 years, the mission of the Long Beach Redevelopment Agency (Agency) has been to enhance the quality of life by improving blighted areas of Long Beach, revitalizing neighborhoods, promoting economic development, creating jobs, providing affordable housing and encouraging citizen participation.

The Agency also recognizes the importance of public art to beautify the City of Long Beach and promotes various art projects throughout Long Beach.

The Agency is pleased to announce an opportunity for artists to paint and transform selected traffic signal control cabinets (utility boxes) into pieces of art that bring a sense of community to the neighborhoods. Artists will primarily focus on the creation of murals for selected utility boxes throughout the city with final design approval from the Agency. The Community Development Department, Neighborhood Services Bureau (NSB) will be managing the utility box project and work directly with the artists who will be selected on a rotational basis.

SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Interested artists should submit a resume, portfolio and two professional references. Portfolios should consist up to 5, color, 8 ½ x 11 prints of previous artwork.





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SELECTION PROCESS

Applicants must be experienced professional painters/muralists. Agency staff and Arts Council for Long Beach will create a list of finalists based on artistic achievement as demonstrated by applicant's resume and portfolio. The Agency will enter into contracts with the most qualified artists on an as-needed basis. The estimated budget per each utility box ranges from \$1,500 to \$2,500.

Resumes, portfolios, and two professional references should be forwarded to:

Dora Cortes
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This RFQ will remain open on a continuous basis. Artists will receive notifications Via US mail. For specific questions, please email Dora Cortes, Community Development Analyst at Dora.Cortes@longbeach.gov. or by phone at (562) 570-6848.

