



Snohomish County Council

Committee: Conservation, Sustainability, and Recreation **Analyst:** Nicole Gorle
ECAF: 2022-1013 **Date:** Oct. 7, 2022
Motion: 22-428

Consideration:

Approve the Professional Services Agreement with Melting Rock, LLC for artwork at the SR 530 Memorial Project.

Background:

“On March 22, 2014 at 10:37am, the SR530, or "Oso", slide engulfed the community around Steelhead Haven. The mud and debris from the adjacent mountainside destroyed 49 homes and ended the lives of 43 people. Community members immediately responded, bringing excavation equipment and shovels to help with the search and rescue effort. At times they were digging with their hands. Those who came were there to help, to find survivors, and later to recover friends and loved ones. As the response extended, those involved became determined to bring as much comfort to those who lost family and they did not stop searching until July 22, when the last of the 43 victims was recovered.”¹

Since then, the Slide Memorial Committee has been working with Snohomish County to create a memorial site to honor those who lost their lives and were/are impacted by the mudslide. Part of this project includes artwork. Through a competitive bid process, Melting Rock, LLC was selected for this project.

Current Proposal:

Scope: Under the Professional Services Agreement, Melting Rock, LLC will provide artwork consisting of a central Beacon, Responder’s Sculpture, and a twenty-six memorial panel. The artwork is further described in Exhibit A, which includes pictures as well. Under the agreement, these shall be one-of-a-kind pieces and the artist is responsible for the integrity of the materials and fabrication of the art for one year after installation.

Duration: Execution through December 31, 2023

Fiscal Implications: \$815,400, breakdown below.

Oct. 1, 2022 – \$150.4k – Complete conceptual design and material purchases
Dec. 1, 2022 - \$165k – Final design, purchasing material, engineer work
April 1, 2023 - \$200k – Complete fabrication, installation of foundations
Final installation - \$300k

2022 Budget: Yes – included in the 2022 budget.

Future Budget Impact: Yes

Handling: Urgent – While the ECAF is marked normal, the artist needs to get started on the pieces in order for them to be complete and ready for installation next spring. A delay in installation may result in a delay of the overall project.

¹ <https://www.slidememorial.com/about>

Approved-as-to-form: Pending

Risk Management: Yes

Executive Recommendation: Approve

Attachment: None

Amendments: None

Request: For Council to consider taking action.