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Discussion of Public Art and Signage at Lea County Facilities



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**LEA COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY FORM**

LCBCC Meeting Date: Thursday, September 22, 2022

Submit this summary form & all attachments to the Finance Director clow@leacounty.net & cc the Community Engagement Manager sstout@leacounty.net; Public Information Officer [mrussell@leacounty.net](mailto:mrusell@leacounty.net) and County Manager mgallagher@leacounty.net by: **Monday, September 12, 2022**

County Manager Approval required for all time sensitive issues that do not meet the above deadline.

DATE SUBMITTED mm-dd-yyyy: 09/15/2022	SUBMITTED BY Name, Title, Dept: Corey Needham, ACM
SUBJECT: Discussion of Public Art	ATTACHMENT(S): Powerpoint
NO. OF ORIGINALS FOR SIGNATURE: 1	ACTION REQUESTED: Discussion Item
BUDGET LINE ITEM NUMBER: 454-18-4125	FISCAL BUDGET YEAR: FY 22/23

STRATEGIC PLAN Implementation of 5 Year Strategic Plan:
Airport are maintained and improved with new facilities

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Requested Items Needed for Presentation Easels/Laptop/Projector/Etc.: Easel <input type="checkbox"/> If checked, how many: Laptop <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Projector <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other: <input type="checkbox"/>	See Additional Summary Attached <input type="checkbox"/>
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SUBMITTER'S RECOMMENDATION(S): discussion only	Submitter's Signature Department Director, Etc. Corey Needham <small>Digitally signed by Corey Needham Date: 2022.09.15 20:40:43 -0600</small>
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FINANCE REVIEW Fiscal Impact/Cost: There is no financial impact to Lea County with this agenda item.	Reviewed by Finance Director Henry C Low Jr <small>Digitally signed by Henry C Low Jr Date: 2022.09.16 08:53:05 -0600</small>
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LEGAL REVIEW: (Note: Travel does not need legal review)	Reviewed by County Attorney
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COUNTY MANAGER REVIEW:	Approved by County Manager to be Placed on Agenda <i>Mike Collopy</i>
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Item No. 0301 **RECORDING SECRETARY'S USE ONLY ~ COMMISSION ACTION TAKEN**

Approved: _____	Denied: _____	Other: <u>Discussion</u>
Resolution No. _____	Policy No. _____	Ordinance No. _____
Continued To: _____	Referred To: _____	Comments: _____

Summary Form Continued...

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