

# RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 379

Approved November 13, 2020

RESOLVED, That the Members of the Providence City Council hereby Authorize Approval of the following Contract Award by the Board of Contract and Supply, in accordance with Section 21-26(b) of the Code of Ordinances.

Fatema Maswood  
(Department of Art, Culture & Tourism)

\$15,000.00

IN CITY COUNCIL

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READ AND PASSED

Sabrina Noto  
PRES.

Sham Belcher  
CLERK

I HEREBY APPROVE.

[Signature]  
Mayor

Date: 11/13/20

Office of the Internal Auditor  
City of Providence



September 22, 2020

Mr. Shawn Selleck  
City Clerk's Office  
City of Providence  
25 Dorrance Street  
Providence, RI 02903

Dear Shawn:

I am writing to request that the following requested contract awards be submitted to the City Council and the Finance Committee for approval:

- **Department of Arts, Culture & Tourism:**
  - Award to **Fatema Maswood** in the amount of **\$15,000.00** for the development of a project proposal for an arts-integrated engagement project focused on the Port of Providence in accordance with the Code of Ordinance, Section 21-26 (b);

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Gina M. Costa".

Gina M. Costa

Internal Auditor

Cc: Kevin Mahoney, Acting Director of Public Property  
Alejandro Tirado, Associate Director of Purchasing  
James J. Lombardi, III, Treasurer/Senior Advisor to City Council  
Stephanie Fortunato, Director of Arts, Culture & Tourism



Department of Art, Culture + Tourism  
Jorge O. Elorza, Mayor | Stephanie Fortunato, Director

September 11, 2020

The Honorable Jorge O. Elorza  
Chairman, Board of Contract and Supply  
City Hall  
25 Dorrance Street  
Providence, RI 02903

**RE: Request to award Fatema Maswood, individual artist, a Public Art Residency**

ID Number: 29755

Dear Mayor Elorza,

The Department of Art, Culture + Tourism respectfully requests permission to award Fatema Maswood, an individual artist, a \$15,000 commission, pending City Council approval of the FY21 budget, to conduct a nine-month residency at the Providence Office of Sustainability from September 15, 2020 – June 30, 2021. Funding is available in account 101-916-53499 pending FY21 budget approval. This funding, inclusive of an artist fee, is a local match toward funding provided by the Office of Sustainability's Barr Foundation Grant, account code 277-0002-18.

Maswood was selected through the Standard Art Commissioning Process outlined in the Art in City Life Plan and overseen by the Art in City Life Commission. This call's Request for Qualifications was issued in January 2020 through our department's newsletter, website, and social media. Eight candidates submitted qualifications. A seven member Art Selection Panel (ASP) selected five finalists, who were interviewed by the ASP. The ACL Commission approved Maswood's recommendation by the ASP on April 22, 2020.

Upon contract execution, Maswood will begin an initial immersion period before developing a project proposal for an arts-integrated engagement project focused on the Port of Providence. Her residency will support the development of a Green Justice Zone in the adjacent neighborhood of South Providence and Washington Park.

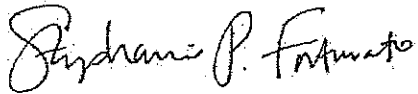
Per R.I.G.L. Section 37-2-54(a)(10), competitive bids are not required for "works of art for museum and public display."

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Fatema Maswood  
130 Trenton Street  
Pawtucket, RI 02860

Respectfully Submitted,



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Stephanie Fortunato, Director

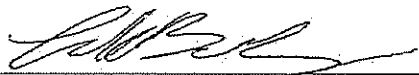


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Financial Approval:

Minority Participation:  
0% MBE, 0%WBE

Account Code:  
101 916 53499



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Leah Bamberger, Director



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Financial Approval:

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