



**Agreement with the South Texas Alliance for Indigenous  
People (STAIP) for the Construction, Donation &  
Acceptance of Artwork at Hans & Pat Suter Wildlife  
Refuge**

City Council Meeting  
February 11, 2025



# Background

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- STAIP is a non-profit organization dedicated to preserving & protecting Native American culture/traditions & other indigenous groups in South Texas.
- Hans & Pat Suter Park is known as significant archeological site as it is the second largest Indian Burial Ground in Texas.
- STAIP propose to commission professional services in designing, constructing, installing & completing a sculpture & numerous shade structures commemorating Native Americans in Corpus Christi.
- On September 11, 2024, the Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee unanimously passed a motion of support for the Agreement.



# Agreement

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- The term of the agreement shall be for five years & commence upon final approval by the Mayor & City Council.
- STAIP shall perform all installation work/services as an independent contractor and not as an agent, representative, or employee of the City.
- STAIP is contractually responsible for all payments for the art & structures, including construction, installation & repair/maintenance.
- STAIP shall provide plans/specifications for construction/installation & comply with all applicable City codes.
- STAIP will gift the Structures to the City upon completion & ensure the design of the art/structures are warranted to last up to 20 years.



# Art & Structure Renderings



30 Ft. Gathering Circle

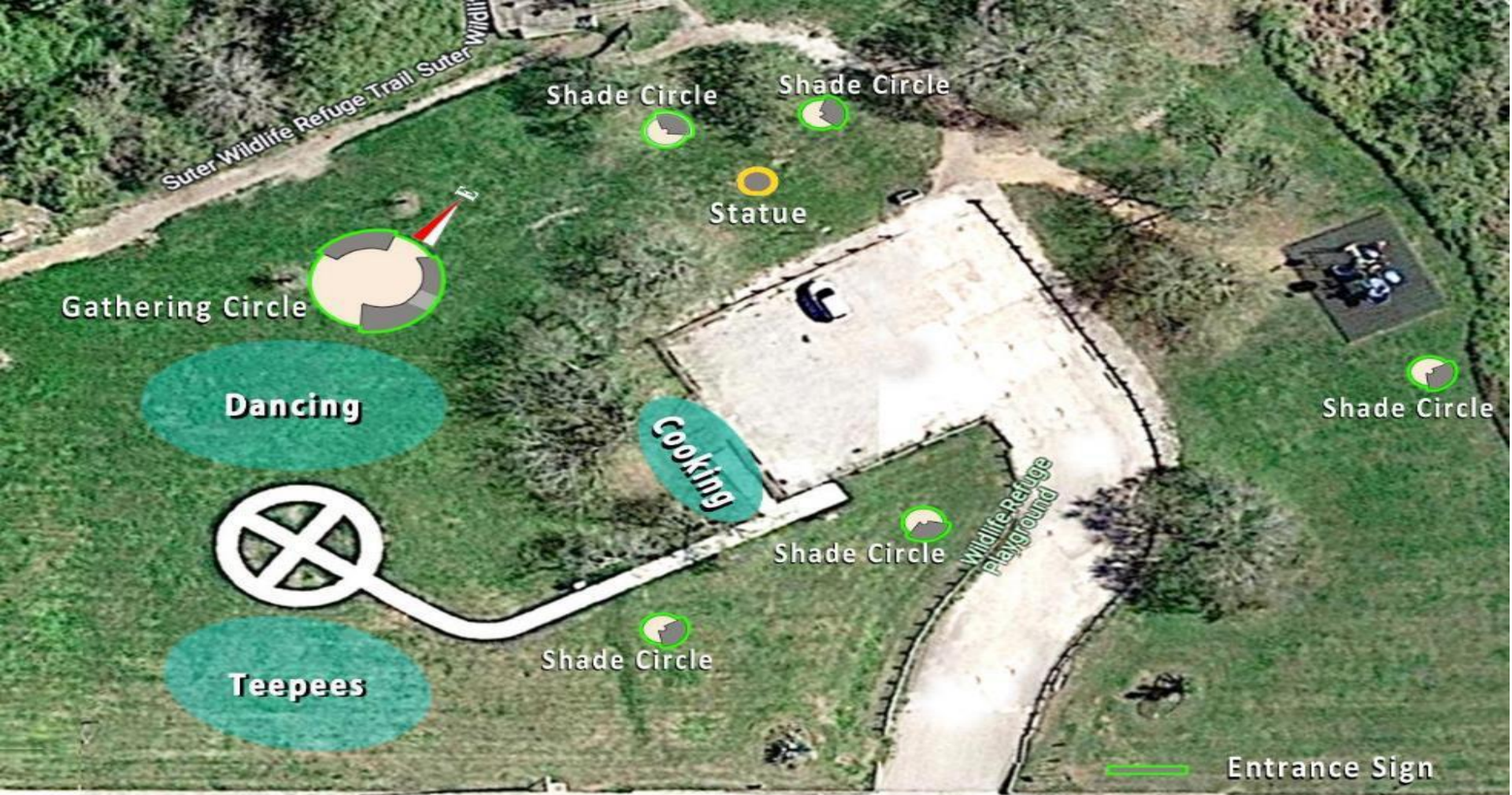


10 Ft. Shade Circles – 5 each



Sketch by sculptor,  
Donna Dobberfuhl





Suter Wildlife Refuge Trail

Shade Circle

Shade Circle

Statue

Gathering Circle

Dancing

Cooking

Shade Circle

Teepees

Shade Circle

Wildlife Refuge  
Playground

Shade Circle

Entrance Sign

**Ennis Joslin Road**





**Rendering from Levy Dykema, Architects, for the Ishka Project**



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# Recommendation

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- Staff recommend approval of the Agreement for the construction, donation and acceptance of improvements and artwork to be placed at Hans & Pat Suter Wildlife Refuge.