



ROCKLIN  
CALIFORNIA

# Rocklin Rd. & Pacific Street **ROUNDAABOUT SCULPTURE**

Public Art Project  
Call to Artists

*Issued on: August 17, 2022  
Submittal Deadline: September 14, 2022 by 4:30pm*





# Project Information

The City of Rocklin's Art Task Force and the Parks, Recreation and Arts Commission is pleased to announce a Call to Artists for a sculpture to be located in Rocklin's historic Quarry District. The selected sculpture is to be located in the roundabout being constructed at the intersection of Pacific Street and Rocklin Road.

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**Call Type:** Public Art

**Eligibility:** National

**State:** California

**Entry Deadline:** September 14, 2022

**Budget:** \$10,000-\$20,000

## About the City of Rocklin

The City of Rocklin is located in South Placer County at the intersection of Interstate 80 and State Highway 65, and is characterized by rolling hill terrain with 360-degree panoramic views of the Sierra Nevada Mountains to the northeast and to the Sutter-Butte mountain range in the West. With a population of 71,60,000, Rocklin is one of the fastest growing cities in California, with approximately 65% of its growth since 2000. The people who live and work in the City of Rocklin are the heart of the community and have built a special place for residents and visitors. Rocklin is a preferred location for business and living due to its convenient location, excellent schools, diverse mix of housing, abundant parks and recreational opportunities, and the highest commitment to public safety.

## About the Quarry District

This geographical area is known as the quarry district, with general boundaries of Midas Avenue, 5th Street, Sunset Blvd and I80 and is comprised of retail, restaurant, entertainment, and public facilities. This District provides the opportunity for a variety of public art projects that would enhance and enrich the public's experience of downtown. The zone allows for a variety of art responses from murals, ceramic tile, and freestanding abstract or representational works.







## About the Big Gun Quarry

Downtown Rocklin is astride a formation of high quality and easily accessible granite known as Rocklin Pluton. It was the ready access to rail shipping, granite quarrying, and creation of finished granite products that formed the backbone of Rocklin's economy from the mid 1860's through the early 1920's.

S.D. Smith opened this quarry in 1865 to supply granite for construction of California's State capitol building in Sacramento. Adolf Pernu then acquired Capitol Quarry in 1907, naming it California Granite Company and increased production with modern machine-powered quarrying technology. Pernu built the granite Historic City Hall on Rocklin Road as a company store for his employees. Union Granite Company, headed by Finnish immigrant Matt Ruhkala, operated several Rocklin quarries at the turn of the twentieth century. Four of Matt's six sons, Abner, Michael, Ben and Ruben, acquired the quarry from Pernu's estate in 1935 and operated it with other family members until they retired in 1978. Then Don Epperson, of the Big Gun Mining Company, purchased the quarry in the 1980's and sold granite boulders and granite products until the twenty-first century.

The quarry was then sold to the City of Rocklin in 2005. This quarry was the longest operating quarry in Rocklin and is one of the 61 quarries in Rocklin's downtown landscape. All are dormant now. Some are backfilled to ground level, some are scenic water-filled ponds, and others are out of sight in weedy fields.



# Anticipated Project Schedule



<b>Artist Site Visit</b> Suggested but not mandatory	<i>August 29, 2022</i>
<b>Application Deadline</b>	<i>September 14, 2022</i>
<b>Artist Selection Panel Review</b>	<i>October 12, 2022</i>
<b>Artist Notification</b>	<i>November 15, 2022</i>
<b>Contract Execution</b>	<i>December 15, 2022</i>
<b>Final Design Submission</b>	<i>January 2, 2023</i>
<b>Site Prep and Installation</b>	<i>Spring of 2023</i>





# Artists Services

The following activities will be required

1. Proposal Development
2. Final Design Presentation
3. Fabrication and Installation

## Project Scope

- Artists must create a design for a three-dimensional, sculpture that is no more than 15 feet wide x 25 feet high. The minimum height and the maximum weight of the structure will be determined by a structural engineer upon review of the design.
- This project must incorporate a minimum of 20% of the materials salvaged from the historic Big Gun Quarry site. Materials may include: granite blocks, metal machine parts, quarry equipment, as well as weathered wood from the structure itself. There will be a scheduled site visit to view the items before the design deadline.
- Materials may also be viewed digitally at the Parks and Recreation office, located at 5460 5th Street, Rocklin, 95677.
- Artist is required to submit detailed digital images of their design.
- Artwork must not create a disorienting situation, or cause a distraction to drivers.
- Final design must be approved by the City Engineer for structural stability and traffic safety.
- All other sculpture requirements will be detailed in the final contract for services.







## Application Requirements

The information and documentation below must be submitted by the deadline stated above. Please submit final proposals to the Parks and Recreation office located at 5460 5th Street, Rocklin, Ca 95677

ATTN: Chris Meyer, Recreation Supervisor

1. Proposal / Concept Sketch: A digital scan of a sketch or computer rendering are satisfactory.
2. Resume: A current and professional resume, emphasizing a minimum of three (3) years of professional visual art experience.
3. Images: Provide images of a minimum of two (2) completed projects.
4. References: Provide two (2) professional references.
5. Please submit five (5) printed copies of proposal

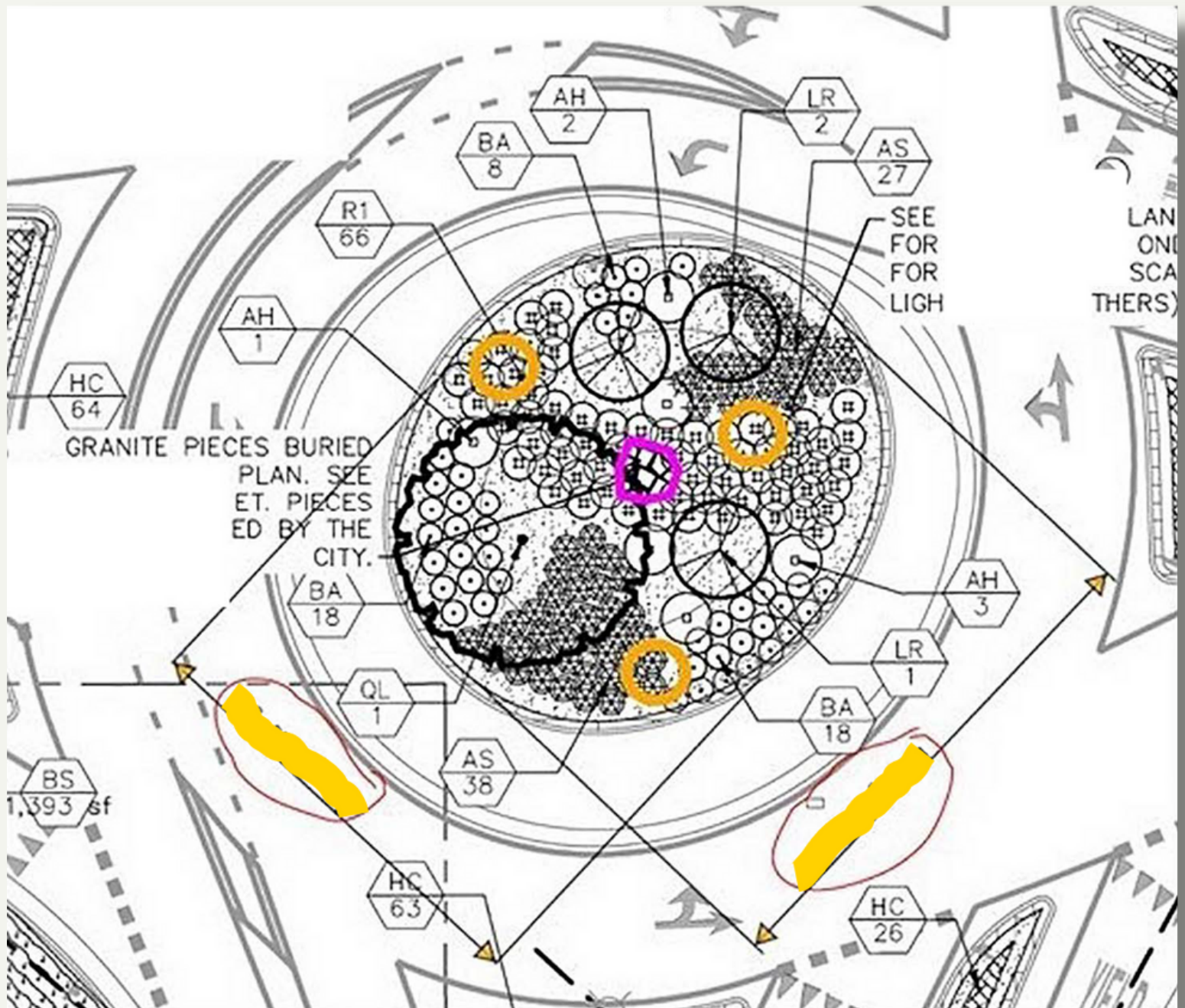
## Attachments

Attachment A: Roundabout dimensions

Attachment B: Roundabout location



# Attachment A



**Please Note:** Size of landscaped area highlighted in yellow



# Attachment B







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**WEBSITE**      [www.rocklin.ca.us/roundaboutart](http://www.rocklin.ca.us/roundaboutart)

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