REGION OF OTTAWA-CARLETON RÉGION D'OTTAWA-CARLETON

MEMORANDUM NOTE DE SERVICE

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DATE 6 April 1999

TO/DEST. Chair and Members of the Arts Committee

FROM/EXP. Manager, Arts Program

SUBJECT/OBJET DIRECT PURCHASES PROGRAM 1999

ART ADVISOR

DEPARTMENTAL RECOMMENDATION

That the Arts Committee approve the 1999 Arts Advisor.

BACKGROUND - ART ADVISOR

When the Art in Public Spaces Programs were introduced in 1992, the Arts Committee approved a process for the Direct Purchase of Art that utilizes the skills of arts professionals in the region.

The process is to retain an Art Advisor on an annual basis to assist with the selection of art works for purchase. The Advisor is to serve for no more than two consecutive years. In 1992 and 1993 Doug Chomyn was awarded this contract; 1994 and 1995 Marie-Jeanne Musiol; 1996 and 1997 Anne Grace; and in 1998 Eliza Griffiths.

DISCUSSION

In 1998 Eliza Griffiths was the Arts Advisor responsible for the pre-selection of artwork and for administering the entire public selection process. As Eliza is experienced, knowledgeable of Regional procedures and is professionally qualified for the position, it is recommended she be the 1999 Art Advisor.

FINANCIAL COMMENT

Funds are available in the 1999 Direct Purchases budget.

Approved by G. Houle

Georgette Houle