

**City of Redondo Beach
Cultural Arts Commission
John Parsons Public Art Fund Report
As of July 15, 2026**

The John Parsons Public Art Fund (JPPAF) had an accumulated balance of \$1,242,676 for FY 2025-26 through June 2026, including balance carried over from prior years and \$13,100 in deposits collected during the fiscal year. The City Council to date has allocated \$1,124,433 of this amount (including the new Shorewall Mural at King Harbor to the projects listed in the table below. In addition to these allocations, there are other items impacting the available balance. Staff has completed the Sea Chatter and Skate Waves mural installations under budget, returning a cumulative total of \$39,601 to the JPPAF. Additionally, per Council and Commission direction, \$2,250 was spent on Utility Box Art Wrap Program projects. Finally, the balance calculation backs out the Fund's 5% required maintenance set-aside. Including all items, there is an available balance of \$101,140.

FY 2026-27 Starting Balance	\$1,242,676
City Council Allocations (Committed Funds)	
Gate Wave (agreement terminated at artist's request)	(\$275,000)
Sea Chatter (completed)	(\$125,000)
Skate Waves (completed)	(\$75,000)
The Esplanade	(\$100,000)
ARTesia	(\$485,000)
Utility Box Art Wraps	(\$14,433)
New: Mosaic Art/Art Tile Mural for Shorewall between Cal Surf Club and Riviera Cantina, Allocated FY 2026-27	(\$50,000)
Total Allocations	(\$1,124,433)
Adjustments	
Sea Chatter and Gate Wave Savings	\$39,601
Utility Box Wraps Expenditures to Date	(\$2,250)
Total Allocations and Adjustments	\$37,351
5% Maintenance Set-Aside	(\$54,454)
Available Fund Balance as of 7/1/26	\$101,141

Status of Projects as of July 1, 2026

Name of Project	Status
"Gate Wave" (CANCELLED)	Agreement approved by City Council at December 16, 2025 meeting. Final engineered drawings received for plan check/approval June 12, 2026. On June 18, 2026, the artist requested termination of his agreement with the City, stating he could not complete the project. After much consideration, the City terminated the agreement as requested on July 7, 2026.
ARTesia	City Council approved the concept for this project and \$450,000 including up to 10% for a consultant/project manager. An agreement with the selected consultant, LeBasse Projects (LBP), was approved by City Council on May 13, 2025. Community Engagement and Stakeholder Outreach is conducted. Draft Master Plan discussed by CAC November 19, 2025, recommendations for modifications provided (additional "Discovery" items, LGBTQ+ artwork added to LBP purview and draft Master Plan, with added funding from JPPAF). Draft Master Plan adopted by City Council December 16, 2025 without additional Discovery items (opted to reserve for Phase II), but included LGBTQ+ sculpture with \$35,000 additional funding from JPPAF, expanded 5/12/26 to include any genre of artwork, not just sculpture. RFQ for artists is closed, 192 submissions received, of which shortlisted ones (as determined by LBP) will now be passed to Community Panel for evaluation, expected by end of July. Results will be presented to CAC following.
Esplanade	Council appropriated \$100,000 for this project. A subcommittee has been formed to explore options for art on the Esplanade. Subcommittee reported at 2/25/26 CAC meeting, discussion continued at 3/25/26 CAC meeting. At 4/22/26 meeting, CAC voted to recommend completion of Esplanade mosaic bollards at a cost of \$15,400, leaving \$84,600 for other artworks. Artist agreement submitted to City Attorney for approval. Expected to be on City Council agenda 8/4/26.
Utility Box Art Wraps	Artist Agreements and Spin Imaging proposal for manufacture/installation approved by City Council. Two approved artists dropped out due to resolution requirements for submissions, a third has ceased communication and has been removed from consideration. Spin Imaging requires minimum 5 for fabrication/installation, so earlier finalists will be reconsidered by CAC. All earlier finalists save one have responded to email indicating availability of artwork and desire to be considered. Will bring to CAC July 22, 2026 meeting.
	Completed Projects
"Sea Chatter"	Mural is complete. City held dedication ceremony on February 2, 2026. Project completed under budget due to Public Works taking on traffic control responsibilities instead of paying expensive 3 rd party vendor, so \$23,780.38 has been returned to JPPAF for FY2026-27.
"Skate Waves"	Mural is complete. City held a dedication January 29, 2025. Project came in \$15,820.97 under budget, which amount has been returned to John Parsons Public Art Fund (JPPAF) for FY2026-27.
	No Art Currently Specified
Transit Center	City engineers are not supporting the installation of a mural on the walls selected by the (former) Public Art Commission due to problems with the construction of the walls which they believe will ultimately result in water damage to the artwork. Funding in the amount of \$74,000 (non-JPPAF funds) remains appropriated for this project.