

CITY COUNCIL MEMORANDUM

FROM: The Office of the City Manager **DATE:** September 12, 2016

SUBJECT: CULTURAL ARTS SIGNAL BOX ART PROGRAM

PRESENTER: Sarah Green, Cultural Arts Coordinator

GENERAL DESCRIPTION:

The NRH Signal Box Art Program will be undergoing an exciting transition beginning this Fall. The Signal Box Art Program serves as an outdoor "art gallery" that has achieved great popularity both locally and nationally.

A new installation entitled "Legends of Music" will be installed next in the ever-evolving exhibition. The new collection features musicians who reach a broad audience and have achieved iconic status in popular culture. Multiple music genres will be represented, from country and rock to jazz and blues. Many of the musicians have a Texas connection. The "Legends of Music" series will be phased in gradually, and will slowly replace the "Hollywood Cowboy" images, which were installed in 2013.

A slow phase-in will help the public gradually get used to the new theme. Excitement can be generated as new musicians pop up throughout the City every two to three months. Featured musicians include:

- 1. The Beatles
- 2. Jimi Hendrix
- 3. Willie Nelson
- 4. Elvis Presley
- 5. Janis Joplin
- 6. Johnny Cash
- 7. Stevie Ray Vaughan
- 8. Prince
- 9. Frank Sinatra
- 10. Buddy Holly (art still to be created)
- 11. Barbara Streisand (art still to be created)
- 12. B.B. King (art still to be created)



Young artists from the Digital Illustration Class that Sarah Green, Cultural Arts Coordinator, teaches at TCU have completed preliminary portraits for the "Legends of Music" collection, which will be presented for review. Marissa Merrill created the striking image of the Beatles, and Studio Art major Jessica Dawson created two outstanding images, of Jimi Hendrix and Willie Nelson.