MEMORANDUM

Date: January 9, 2018

To: The Honorable Chair and Members  
Pima County Board of Supervisors

From: C.H. Huckelberry  
County Administrator

Re: Historic Pima County Courthouse Renovation Schedule and Funding

In a recent Facebook post, Supervisor Ally Miller has indicated she believes the contract for Poster Frost Mirto, Inc. on the January 16, 2018 Board of Supervisors Agenda regarding architectural design services is related to the January 8th Memorial. That is incorrect. There are no funds in this contract allocated to the design of the January 8th Memorial. All January 8th Memorial design costs were paid by those who donated private funds to the January 8th Memorial Foundation.

The Poster Frost Mirto, Inc. design services contract on the January 16, 2018 Board of Supervisors Agenda relates specifically to the design and functions associated with the exhibits at the Visitors center and the University of Arizona (UA) Mineral Museum. These are costs that were programmed for these activities and represent no deviation from funding for these purposes.

We are pleased to have been part of the January 8th commemorative event at the Historic Courthouse on Monday, January 8, 2018.

This year and beyond will provide significant milestones in advancing the ultimate use of the Historic Courthouse in highlighting the history, culture and contemporary activities within Pima County. A timeline of key activities is provided below:

- **January 16, 2018** – Contract with Poster Frost Mirto, Inc. will be presented to the Board of Supervisors that will finance the exhibit design services associated with the Visitors center and UA Mineral Museum.

- **February 2018** – The architectural design team begins to prepare final design and construction documents for the Visitors center, UA Mineral Museum and the January 8th Memorial. It should be noted the January 8th Memorial design has been paid for and completed by others. There is a separate agenda item on the January 16, 2018 Consent Agenda, Item 7 for the contract with Chee Salette Architecture Office, Inc. to begin construction documents for the January 8th Memorial which will also be paid for by the funds donated by others.
• **March 2018** – Construction begins on tenant improvements and related activities on the 2nd and 3rd Floor for occupation by Visit Tucson and County staff.

• **October 2018** – Bids are solicited for final construction of all tenant improvements on the 1st Floor of the Historic Courthouse, including the Visitors center, UA Mineral Museum and January 8th Memorial.

• **November 2018** – Visit Tucson and County staff will occupy the 2nd and 3rd Floors of the Historic Courthouse as tenants.

• **January 2019** – Construction begins on all improvements. The January 8th Memorial is funded solely by donations and no County or public funds are used for construction.

• **January 8, 2020** – Final approval and opening of the Visitors center, UA Mineral Museum and January 8th Memorial.

These improvements have been planned for many years and the Board of Supervisors has been advised on numerous occasions regarding the planned improvements for the County Historic Courthouse, the transformation of the former offices of the Assessor, Recorder and Justice Courts to the new reconstructed Historic Courthouse that will serve the public for the next 50 years.

CHH/anc

Attachment

**c:** Tom Burke, Deputy County Administrator for Administration  
Lisa Josker, Director, Facilities Management
Ally Miller was 😞 feeling annoyed with Doug Martin and 38 others.
January 5 at 7:32pm

On the January 16th agenda for the Pima County Board of Supervisors: Pima County taxpayers will be funding the Design of the January 8th memorial with COPS in a contract for $1.5 Million to PosterFrost Mirto. Huckleberry is mortgaging your county buildings to pay for the design of this memorial. Oh and of course the taxpayers will pay for the construction of it as well. Stay tuned for that contract. Don't forget...all of these COPS are paid for out of the primary property taxes.

Oh and of Course You need to support a 1/2 cent sales tax if you want your roads fixed because there is no money to fix roads. You can't make it up folks. Please share this message and PLEASE show up and speak out about this CRONY deal. 9am at 130 W Congress. 1st floor. Jan 16th. To make it worse: The design has already been finalized on the Jan 8th website...This is just despicable! And...one of the owners of Poster Frost Mirto was part of the selection panel for the final design. We are giving the $1.5 mil contract to Poster frost mirto for a design that is completed and this firm was not one of the 4 finalists. Wow! So why again are we giving them a design contract for $1.5 mil. ????????

Don Woolley The liberals/leftists believe they are supporting an anti-gun statement, even though their leaders deny it...just saying
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Vince Smith Stick a plaque on chuckys multi million gift to giffords space condiment worthless view until they can find private funds for a memorial
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Don Woolley Let's be very clear here, Judge Roll was killed on that day, he was for the U.S. Constitution and American's gun rights in the 2A...Giffords survived and is now anti gun rights for Americans, her & Kelly and their phony background check loop hole arguments...think about it. And since when do we memorialize survivors? Did we Pearl Harbor? 9/11? We memorialize those who died, and survivors memorialize the dead too. A memorial for the dead, for Judge John Roll and the others, is fine. And Just use private money, as with every other local and state memorial, like Granite Mountain Hotshots (State only provided trust fund land).
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Ally Miller It is funded with taxpayer $.  
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Alan Kaye There's already a park along the CDO wash named for the girl killed a couple million for a memorial is outrageous
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