



# City Council Report

**Date:** February 26, 2018  
**To:** City Council  
**Through:** Michael Kennington, Chief Financial Officer  
**From:** Edward Quedens, Business Services Director  
Matt Bauer, Procurement Administrator  
**Subject:** Purchase of One Replacement Gas Ceramic Kiln for the Arts and Culture Department **(Sole Source) (Funded by Mesa Arts Center Restoration Fund) (Citywide)**

## Recommendation

Council is requested to approve the award as recommended.

The Arts and Culture Department and Purchasing recommend awarding the contract to sole source vendor, Bailey Pottery Equipment Corp. and Ceramic Supply at \$26,281.03.

## Background / Discussion

This purchase will provide a Studio 18/12 Deluxe Ceramics Kiln for the Mesa Arts Center (MAC) to replace an existing kiln at the end of service life. The kiln will be for the MAC's largest program, Ceramics. It will be used to fire artwork from all ceramics classes. Additionally, the kiln will benefit our numerous glaze classes with the ability to test new classroom glazes. This kiln can fire at various temperature ranges and for a fraction of the time and resources compared to other kilns. This means it can be fired more often, in more diverse ways, consuming less resources at a lesser expense.

The Studio 18/12 Deluxe Ceramics Kiln is the only kiln with the autonomous firing system and redundant safety features that meets the needs of the MAC. It also matches the dimensions of the existing kiln that will be replaced; meaning less construction to the floor and roof in preparation for the new kiln's installation. Additionally, it is also the only kiln with an autonomous firing system priced under \$50,000.

Bailey Pottery Equipment Co. is the manufacturer and sole source for their Studio 18/12 Deluxe Ceramics Kiln.

## Purchase Information

Action: Award  
Procurement Type: Sole Source  
Contract Number: 2018135  
Local Consideration: Policy did not apply to this procurement method  
Protests Received: None  
Funding Source: The purchase is funded in the Mesa Arts Center operating budget through the Mesa Arts Center Restoration Fund

## AWARD RECOMMENDATION

Quantity 1 - Studio 18/12 Deluxe Ceramics Kiln per Contract No. 2018135,  
per Quote No. 0390195 dated 11/1/2017

Base (Taxable)	\$22,947.00
Freight (Non-Taxable)	\$2,049.00
5.6% Use Tax	<u>\$1,285.03</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>\$26,281.03</u></b>