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Adopt a Local Resolution to Support the Installation of Art in the North Carolina Department of Transportation Right-of-way.

Staff:
Susan Brown, Executive Director
Steve Wright, Public Art Coordinator

Department:
Community Arts & Culture

Overview: A team of Town staff have engaged with staff from UNC (specifically Facilities Services, Innovate Carolina, Arts Everywhere), the Downtown Partnership, and community member Doug Rothwell to develop an Adopt-a-Block program that will improve the cultural and aesthetic experience of downtown spaces. Approval of the Adopt-a-Block program's Artistic Signal Box Plan will allow five diverse local artists selected by Arts Everywhere and Community Arts & Culture to create temporary artworks on five downtown signal boxes located in the North Carolina Department of Transportation's (NCDOT) right-of-way. NCDOT must approve any Art installations in the right-of-way. NCDOT furthermore requires receipt of a local resolution in support of the installation of Art in the right-of-way.

Recommendation(s):

That Council adopt the resolution to adopt the 2021 Adopt-A-Block Artistic Signal Box Plan and request the Town Manager to ask the NCDOT Right-of-Way Art Committee to approve the installation of Art on designated downtown signal boxes.

Attachments:

- Resolution
- Adopt-a-Block Artistic Signal Box Plan

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE 2021 ADOPT-A-BLOCK ARTISTIC SIGNAL BOX PLAN AND REQUESTING THAT THE TOWN MANAGER ASK THE NCDOT RIGHT-OF-WAY ART COMMITTEE TO APPROVE THE INSTALLATION OF ART ON DESIGNATED DOWNTOWN SIGNAL BOXES (2021-10-27/R-9)

WHEREAS, Chapel Hill recognizes community arts and culture as important factors in developing Chapel Hill as "A Place for Everyone" and creating "Good Places and New Spaces;" and

WHEREAS, the Council's Strategic Goal of a Vibrant & Inclusive Community endeavors to increase public art in both public and private spaces; and

WHEREAS, UNC-Chapel Hill Arts Everywhere and downtown stakeholders have developed an Adopt-a-Block Artistic Signal Box Plan to improve the cultural and aesthetic experience of downtown spaces; and

WHEREAS, UNC-Chapel Hill Arts Everywhere, in consultation with the Town's Division of Community Arts & Culture, has identified five diverse local artists to create temporary artworks on five downtown signal boxes; and

WHEREAS, the designated signal boxes are located in the North Carolina Department of Transportation's right-of-way; and

WHEREAS, the North Carolina Department of Transportation requires the "receipt of an adopted local resolution requesting the placement of a particular element or installation of Art" so that "the proposed art project will be reviewed by the Right-of-Way Art Committee."

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Town of Chapel Hill that the Council adopts the 2021 Adopt-A-Block Artistic Signal Box Plan as provided in the October 27, 2021 meeting materials.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council requests that the Town Manager asks the NCDOT Right-of-Way Art Committee to approve the installation of Art on designated downtown signal boxes.

This the 27th day of October, 2021.

The Agenda will reflect the text below and/or the motion text will be used during the meeting.

By adopting the resolution, the Council approves the 2021 Adopt-A-Block Artistic Signal Box Plan and directs the Manager to request the NCDOT Right-of-Way Art Committee approve the installation of Art on designated downtown signal boxes.