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Meeting Minutes Citizen Advisory Board

Thursday, March 21, 2024 9:30 AM Council Chambers

24-0101 Application for Placement of a Butterfly Statue in the Arboretum

Historical Resource Manager Klinkhamer presented the application for a donated statue, review done by Public Works, proposed location, potential landscaping boundary, mounting on a concrete pad, ADA accessibility, placement of a nearby picnic table, and answered Board questions on plantings around statue and another statue by the same artist at the art center.

Public Works Director Simpson answered Board questions on size of concrete pad, and ADA accessibility.

Discussion took place regarding criteria to be considered for review, Venice being a Monarch city, whether the installation would be promoted to citizens, proximity to playground, and adding signage to discourage climbing.

Tracy Ivey, 120 Base Avenue East, spoke on being the planter in the butterfly garden, demonstrations in park, in favor of the statue application, concerns for children climbing it, and looking for alternative locations within the park.

A motion was made by Mr. Ellis, seconded by Ms. Moscatelli, to recommend to City Council approval of the application to place the butterfly statue in the arboretum.

Dr. Davis made a motion to amend the motion to direct staff to review placement based on the comments received today. The motion failed due to lack of second.

The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Yes: 7 - Dr. Davis, Ms. Dixon, Mr. Ellis, Ms. Panfil, Mr. Effron, Chair Weed and Ms. Moscatelli

Absent: 1 - Mr. Carr