

Agenda Item #

**Columbus Consolidated Government
Council Meeting**

April 12, 2022

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TO: Mayor and Councilors

SUBJECT: Relocation of Kadie the Cow – Uptown Columbus, Inc.

INITIATED BY: City Manager’s Office

Recommendation: Approval is requested to authorize the City Manager to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with Uptown Columbus, Inc. to allow the organization to spearhead the relocation of the Kadie the Cow statue.

Background: The City owns Kadie the Cow and is currently located on an easement at a surface lot next to a vacant commercial building along Manchester Expressway. As this spot has low visibility and limited public access. Uptown offers a welcoming and pedestrian oriented location for local residents and out-of-town visitors to view and enjoy. Additionally, this iconic piece would become a part of the established public art collection and further strengthen other nearby attractions, including the Riverwalk, splash pad, playground, rafting, ziplining and the Dragonfly Trail.

Analysis: Uptown is proposing to fund the project through a fully funded fundraising campaign for the removal, repair, relocation and installation of the Kadie the Cow statue. The City would retain ownership of the installation and the statue would remain on city owned property. Uptown will maintain a repair fund for the next 10 years to keep the statue in good repair and presentation.

Financial Considerations: Uptown Columbus, Inc. will bear the entire cost of the project.

Legal Considerations: Must enter into a signed Memorandum of Understanding.

Recommendations/ Actions: Approval is requested to authorize the City Manager to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with Uptown Columbus, Inc. to allow the organization to spearhead the relocation of the Kadie the Cow statue.

**A RESOLUTION
NO. _____**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH UPTOWN COLUMBUS, INC. TO ALLOW THE ORGANIZATION TO SPEARHEAD THE RELOCATION OF THE KADIE THE COW STATUE.

WHEREAS, The City owns Kadie the Cow and is currently located on an easement at a surface lot next to a vacant commercial building along Manchester Expressway. As this spot has low visibility and limited public access, and

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NOW, THEREFORE, THE COUNCIL OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA, HERBY RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

That the City Manager is authorized to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with Uptown Columbus, Inc. to allow the organization to spearhead the relocation of the Kadie the Cow statue.

Introduced at a regular meeting of the Council of Columbus, Georgia, held the _____ day of _____, 2022 and adopted at said meeting by the affirmative vote of _____ members of Council.

Councilor Allen voting _____.
Councilor Barnes voting _____.
Councilor Crabb voting _____.
Councilor Davis voting _____.
Councilor Garrett voting _____.
Councilor House voting _____.
Councilor Huff voting _____.
Councilor Thomas _____.
Councilor Tucker voting _____.
Councilor Woodson voting _____.

Sandra Davis, Clerk of Council

Barry ‘Skip’ Henderson, Mayor

