

RESOLUTION 2022-083
OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORT COLLINS
APPROVING THE ACCEPTANCE OF THE PROPOSED DONATION
OF A SCULPTURE TO BE PLACED AT VETERANS PLAZA IN
SPRING CANYON COMMUNITY PARK

WHEREAS, Diggs Brown has generously offered to donate a bronze sculpture entitled, *Arthur-My Hero, My Friend*, to be placed at the Veterans Plaza located in Spring Canyon Community Park; and

WHEREAS, Veterans Plaza serves as a remembrance of the valor and the sacrifices willingly made by our veterans, whether in times of war or times of peace, and was made possible by a partnership between the City of Fort Collins and Veterans Plaza of Northern Colorado, a Colorado nonprofit corporation; and

WHEREAS, the proposed life-sized sculpture by artist Susan Norris expresses the loyalty and devotion of a military service dog for his fallen master and is intended to honor the many canine service animals that have demonstrated brave dedication and loyalty to their human partners; and

WHEREAS, the sculpture was temporarily placed on a stone pedestal at the entrance to Veterans Plaza, near the existing dog park and if approved, the sculpture will remain in the same location, and include the required Art in Public Places plaque; and

WHEREAS, the value of the sculpture is \$32,000 and the annual cleaning of the bronze sculpture will be conducted by Veterans Plaza of Northern Colorado, at no charge to the City; and

WHEREAS, City Code Section 23-309 states works of art with a value of \$300 or more donated to the City and placed in a public area may be accepted only with approval of the Art in Public Places (APP) Board and for all such works with a value of \$10,000 or more, the City may only accept them with approval of the City Council, upon review of such proposed donation and the recommendation of the APP Board; and

WHEREAS, at its regular meeting on June 15, 2022, the APP Board evaluated and approved the proposed donation of the Artwork based on the City's Art in Public Places Guidelines and recommended the City Council accept the donation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORT COLLINS as follows:

Section 1. That the City Council hereby makes and adopts the determinations and findings contained in the recitals set forth above.

Section 2. That the City Council hereby accepts the proposed donation of the Artwork and related project work as described in this Resolution, to be placed at the entrance to Veterans Plaza in Spring Canyon Community Park.

Passed and adopted at a regular meeting of the Council of the City of Fort Collins this 16th day of August, A.D. 2022.

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk