

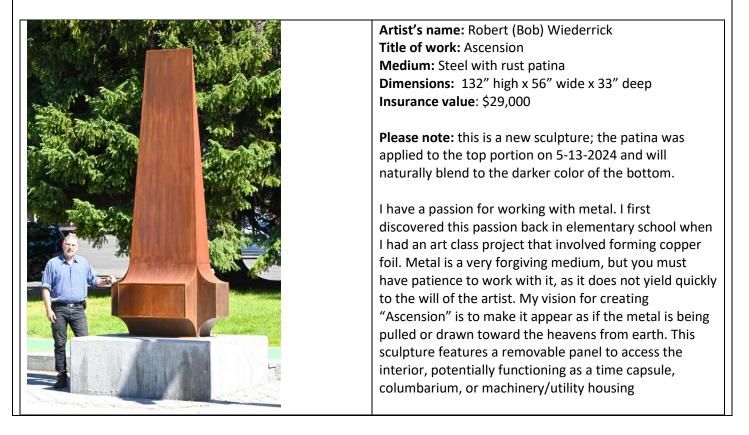
City of Ketchum

KETCHUM ARTS COMMISSION MEETING AGENDA MEMO

Meeting Date:	May 15, 2025 Staff Member/Dept: KAC Staff Liaison, Daniel Hansen				
Agenda Item:	Opportunity to purchase "Ascension" by Bob Wiederrick				
Recommended	Motion:				
None					
Reasons for Recommendation:					

Policy Analysis and Background (non-consent items only):

Bob Wiederrick's work "Ascension" was selected by the Arts Commission in spring 2024 to be installed at the intersection of Sun Valley Road and Spruce Avenue through summer 2025. Below is a photo of the work and an artist statement.



Opportunity to purchase the piece

- The artist contacted city staff regarding his desire to work with the Arts Commission to sell the work to the City of Ketchum.
- The work was new when the Arts Commission selected it to be installed at Sun Valley Road and Spruce Avenue in 2024.
- It is valued at \$29,000.
- The artist would be willing to discount the price to \$25,000 for the city.
- The artist would also be willing to sell the sculpture to the city in installments: \$5,000 a year for 5 years.

Staff direction is needed from the Arts Commission

• Would the Commission like to pursue the purchase of this piece? (If so, staff would prepare it for a vote at the next Arts Commission meeting.)

Sustainability Impact:

None OR state impact here:		
Financial Impact:		

None OR Adequate funds exist in account:	The Commission has adequate funds in its account (\$10,000			
	budget annually + \$24,149.07 in reserves). They could pursue			
	either a one-time purchase of the piece for \$25,000 or 5			
	annual installment payments of \$5,000 for 5 years.			

Attachments:

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