



MEMO TO CITY COUNCIL

Request to Include Topic on the City Council Agenda

From:	Cassandra Schiffler, Arts & Culture Coordinator	Meeting Date:	August 18, 2026
Presenter:	Via Partnership, Meridith McKinley	Estimated Time:	20 minutes
Topic:	Public Art Plan Adoption		

Recommended Council Action:

Review the public art plan and presentation and give feedback. A resolution to adopt the Meridian Public Art Plan will be on an upcoming consent agenda.

Background:

The Meridian Arts Commission, in partnership with City Staff and consultant Via Partnership, has drafted a public art plan for the City of Meridian. The intention of this plan is to create an intentional, cohesive blueprint that builds upon the existing momentum of the Meridian Art in Public Spaces program (MAPS) and aligns future public art with Meridian's long-term growth. The plan maps priority future opportunities and includes an inventory of proactive, multi-year potential public art sites for the coming decade. It also clarifies the process and roles in decision-making for the planning, commissioning, and ongoing care of Meridian's public art.

The Meridian Arts Commission unanimously recommended the adoption of this plan on July 9, 2026.

Financial Impact:

Adoption of this plan requires no budget allocation. It serves as a strategic roadmap to guide existing staff and commission work on the City's public art program.

Conclusion:

Feedback is invited. Staff recommends Council adoption of the plan via a future resolution.