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November 21, 2023

TO: Rio Dell City Council

FROM: Kyle Knopp, City Manager

SUBJECT: Authorize and Direct Staff to Remove Bear Sculpture from Wildwood Avenue

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE CITY COUNCIL:

Authorize and direct staff to remove the bear sculpture; or,

Take no action.

BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION

On October 4, 2017 the City of Rio Dell executed the Wildwood Avenue Sculpture Agreement with an artist. The agreement allowed the artist a period of five years to display up to four Council approved sculptures for sale and after that period of time passed, the sculptures would become the property of the City of Rio Dell. On October 4, 2018 the final sculpture of a bear was placed on the northern end of Wildwood Avenue. Over 5 years have now passed since the placement of the final sculpture and per the agreement, the sculptures are now the property of the City of Rio Dell.

The Mayor has requested an item be placed on the agenda to have the bear sculpture removed from Wildwood Avenue. The three remaining sculptures will remain in their current positions. If approved, the sculpture will be moved to the City's Corporation Yard for future possible public placement or for other transfer.

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