

Memorandum

To: Mayor and Council
From: Tom Baker, Town Administrator
Date: November 18, 2014
Re: Public Art Project: Funding Request

Purpose: The purpose of this item is to update the Council on progress with the sculpture that Patti Ringer is facilitating and to request \$750.00 to help complete the funding for this public art project. (Patti Ringer will attend the meeting to answer questions.)

Background and Discussion: As you may remember, Patti Ringer has been facilitating and coordinating this public art for most of this year. In terms of funding, Patti is working with Alpine Bank's Angela Meraz and has secured a significant donation. Patti has also put out a call for artists and for one reason or another unexpected circumstances occurred so that Patti is now working with her third artist. But the third time may be a charm. Patti is also part of the Downtown Group and this group is aware and supportive of the project due to its positive impact on the downtown.

Financial Implications: At this time, Patti estimates the cost of this project to be no more than \$2,500. Alpine Bank is donating \$1,350. This request of \$750.00 will make the fundraising almost complete and Patti and her friends will beat the bushes to complete the fundraising. If the Council is supportive, staff suggests the \$750.00 come from the remaining Downtown Group funds.

Recommendation: Staff recommends approval of the \$750.00 funding request to be taken from the funds remaining in the Downtown Group (\$1,450).