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TITLE:

Recommendations for Park Signage, Murals and Quote Plaques in Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Park

PURPOSE: The purpose of this agenda item is for the Board of Aldermen to review and approve recommendations made by Arts Committee members, Michael Brown, Muralist and the Recreation and Parks Commission on signage, murals and plaques in Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Park.

DEPARTMENT: Recreation and Parks Department

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INFORMATION: The park is nearing the end of construction and staff is finalizing three items for the park. The park entrance sign will be located on Hillsborough Road adjacent to the north of the newly constructed entrance to the park. The cost of the sign is \$6,476. (See Attachment B)

Also, various members of the community provided quotes for consideration to go on plaques that will border the walking trail. We received twenty-nine different quotes and eight quotes were chosen for the plaques by the Recreation and Parks Commission. Their deliberation focus emphasized values in the community. (See Attachment C.) Three alternate quotes were also chosen. Four thousand seven hundred and thirty eight dollars (\$4,738) is needed to purchase and install the plaques on posts. Each quote will be in English and Braille. (See Attachment D.)

Lastly, we received four mural designs from three Town of Carrboro high school students. (See attachments E-I.) Some members of The Arts Committee along with Michael Brown recommend that the young artists work together in tweaking and creating final products from submissions for the two murals in the park. The intent is to use backgrounds, quotes and/or visions from potentially each mural. Staff spoke to the young artists and all are willing to collaborate on this project. The Arts Committee approved \$4,500 in their budget to offset expenditures for the murals. Public Work will install the murals.

FISCAL & STAFF IMPACT: The Arts Committee budget will offset \$4,500 for the mural project. Funding is needed for the sign by Archer - \$6,476 and plaques and installation by Signs Now - \$5,200, total - \$11,676. Staff will seek to fund the balance needed within existing General Fund/Construction budget.

RECOMMENDATION: Approve the recommendations.