

City of Fayetteville

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Legislation Text

File #: 18-300, Version: 2

TO: Mayor and Members of City Council

THRU: Jay Reinstein, Assistant City Manager

FROM: The Arts Council of Fayetteville Cumberland County and the Friends

of Massey Hill

DATE: June 25, 2018

RE:

Resolution to Support the Public Art Project in the Massey Hill Community

COUNCIL DISTRICT(S):

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Relationship To Strategic Plan:

Goal IV: Desirable Place to Live, Work and Recreate

Executive Summary:

The Friends of Massey Hill commissioned public artwork that celebrates the historic textile industry in the Massey Hill community. The North Carolina artists, Michael and Leah Waller, engaged the community in a series of public discussions and created a site specific artwork for the new roundabout. The Friends of Massey Hill have raised over \$10,000 in private donations and an additional \$40,000 in grants for the public art project.

A new roundabout was installed recently at the intersection of Cumberland and Camden roads, a few blocks from the site of the Lakedale Mill, creating a new gateway into the City of Fayetteville, an ideal location for public art.

Background:

Over a century has passed since the textile industry moved onto the farmland of Massey Hill. The first of the mills was Holt Cotton factory. Tolar-Hart and Victory Mills, later known as Lakedale, opened around 1900. During the next 100 years "mill villages" sprung up around the mills with thousands of families relying on textile jobs to raise their families in the area, forming a close bond that remains today with their descendants and the residents of the Massey Hill community.

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Issues/Analysis:

None

Budget Impact:

None

Options:

City Council to adopt the resolution supporting the public art project to be erected at the roundabout at the intersection of Cumberland and Camden roads in the Massey Hill Community, and to encourage other collaborative public-private partnerships, to raise the standards for gateways in our community.

City Council does not adopt the resolution to support the public art project to be erected at the roundabout at the intersection of Cumberland and Camden roads in the Massey Hill Community and provides direction to staff.

Recommended Action:

City Council to adopt the resolution supporting the public art project to be erected at the roundabout at the intersection of Cumberland and Camden roads in the Massey Hill Community, and to encourage other collaborative public-private partnerships, to raise the standards for gateways in our community.

Attachments:

Resolution
Artist rendering