# March 16, 2021 City Council Meeting Comments and Position Statements

# O1-Sustainable Naperville 2036 Summary Report/Summer 2021 Workshop

### **COMMENTS**

Marilyn L Schweitzer

Please support NEST's request and direct staff to schedule a summer 2021 workshop on their recommendations. Becoming a resilient community requires a coordinated effort and strong municipal direction. It is not only the responsible action to take for social and environmental reasons, but also makes sound economic sense. Thank you.

## O3-Receive the Century Walk Long-Range Plan for Public Art & Table Discussion

## **COMMENTS**

Colleen McQuillan

I would like to see this tabled until the fall so various parties have time to thoroughly review it and allow the SECA commission time to review it.

#### Vicki Coletta

I support Commissioner Kim in tabling this item.

### Dianne McGuire

Please support tabling the discussion relative to the Century Walk Long Range Plan for Public Art until such time as the Public Art Task Force and SECA can review this proposal and respond. I would very much like to see a Public Art Commission for the City of Naperville be formed which will provide for greater citizen participation, transparency, accountability and have the potential for a much broader vision of public art.

### Tony Andrews-Art of Inclusion

Please table this item so that we at Art of Inclusion may address this 35 page report as a whole.

#### Sun Kwok

Sun Kwok Art of Inclusion 1804 N Naper Blvd Naperville, IL 60563 Dear Naperville City Council, My name is Sun Kwok, and I serve as the chair of Art of Inclusion. Last fall, we created the "Naperville Together" Mural at the Naperville Township building. I'd like to thank Century Walk for their 25 years of service and contributions to our community. Their work is an inspiration to us all. Today, I'd like to encourage the City Council, SECA, and Century Walk to work together with other artists, organizations, and interested parties to create a Public Art Commission that will help create public art in

Naperville. This commission would be a place where interested artists and organizations can bring their ideas for new art, and receive help in creating the art, find locations, get city permits and approvals, and perhaps even help with funding. The Commission would encourage the community to work together to create public art and set standards and policies on how it will be done. We believe that this new commission should include members from: Century Walk SECA & City Council Representative(s), Our City's Youth and School Districts, Independent Artists and organizations and diverse members of the community We support tabling todays discussion and review of Century Walk Long Term plan until a Public Arts Commission can be formed. We believe that if you want to be inclusive, your organization must embrace inclusivity at every level - from your volunteers to your board of directors. You need to create opportunities for our community to get involved and that there should be room for grass roots art as well as large permanent projects. Please give the Public Art Task Force the time it needs to bring our community together into a Public Arts commission and to develop effective Public Art Policy for our community. We have been thrilled to have been included in discussions with SECA about the future of Public Art in Naperville, and we believe that to be truly successful we need to be NAPERVILLE TOGETHER. Sincerely, Sun P. Kwok Chair, Art of Inclusion www.napervilleart.org

### Karen V Peck

Dear Council, I am writing in SUPPORT of Item 21-0371 "Receive the Century Walk Long-Range Plan for Public Art and table discussion until such time staff, the SECA Commission and the proposed Public Art Task Force review and bring a recommendation to City Council." I support public art. The council must allow time for a diverse group of stakeholders to share their voices and recommendations before awarding \$\$200,000 to a single entity. Sincerely, Karen V. Peck 810 N. Ellsworth St. Naperville, IL 60563

### SUPPORT ACTION REQUESTED

Nancy Turner