



AGENDA ITEM EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Agenda Item Number: 6b

Title:	Recommendation to Accept a Resolution Accepting a Gift of the “Be You” Sculpture from the St. Charles Business Alliance
Presenter:	Chris Minick

Meeting: Government Operations Committee **Date:** August 17, 2020

Proposed Cost: \$ N/A Budgeted Amount: \$ Not Budgeted:

Executive Summary *(if not budgeted please explain):*

In December, representatives of the St Charles Business Alliance (SCBA) presented a concept for a piece of moveable public art to be placed in various locations throughout the City. The sculpture, “be you” was designed by Matthew Hoffman and to be constructed with recycled plastic. The intent was for the SCBA to provide a piece of destination art that would positively impact those who were able to view it as well as provide a positive economic impact for the City. The SCBA further proposed that the SCBA would pay for costs of construction and that the sculpture would be donated to the City once complete. The GOC gave direction to pursue the construction with future acceptance of City ownership anticipated.

The sculpture has now been completed and has been placed in the recently constructed East Plaza within the First Street Development. SCBA has paid the costs related to the construction of the sculpture. Those costs total \$12,950. In accordance with the discussion in December, SCBA has proposed that the City take ownership of the sculpture, per the attached letter. The City has consulted with our insurance advisor and coverage is currently being provided for “be you” and the cost of insurance moving forward will be minimal. The City has a blanket insurance policy for public art and we have added “be you” to the policy.

Staff has prepared the attached resolution to accept ownership of the “be you” sculpture. Based on prior direction from the GOC, staff recommends approval.

Attachments *(please list):*

- **Resolution**
- **Letter from SCBA**
- **Photo**

Recommendation/Suggested Action *(briefly explain):*

Motion to accept a Resolution Accepting a Gift of the “Be You” Sculpture from the St. Charles Business Alliance

**City of St. Charles, Illinois
Resolution No. 2020-**

**A Resolution Accepting a Gift of the “Be You” Sculpture
from the St. Charles Business Alliance**

**Presented & Passed by the
City Council on**

WHEREAS, the City of St. Charles is a Home Rule Unit as provided in the 1970 Illinois Constitution, Article VII, Section 6(a) and this Resolution is an exercise of its powers and performance of the functions pertaining to its government and affairs; and

WHEREAS, the City of St Charles is supportive of public displays of art for the enjoyment of its citizens

WHEREAS, the City of St Charles owns several pieces of art currently on public display at various locations throughout the City

WHEREAS, the St. Charles Business Alliance has caused to be constructed the “Be You” sculpture at the expense of the St Charles Business Alliance;

WHEREAS, the St. Charles Business Alliance has proposed gifting ownership of the “Be You” sculpture to the City of St. Charles;

WHEREAS, the City of St. Charles wishes to accept the “Be You” sculpture as its property;

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Mayor and City Council of St. Charles, Kane and DuPage Counties, Illinois that said Council hereby accepts the gift of ownership of the “Be You” sculpture, and shall have the responsibility for ongoing expenditures related to the sculpture such as maintenance and insurance.

PRESENTED to the city Council of the City of St. Charles, Illinois, this ____ day of _____, 2020.

PASSED by the City Council of the City of St. Charles, Illinois, this ____ day of _____, 2020.

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APPROVED to the City Council of the City of St. Charles, Illinois, this ____ day of _____, 2020.

Raymond P. Rogina, Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk

COUNCIL VOTE:

Ayes:

Nays:

Absent:

Abstain:



To the City of St Charles,

The St Charles Business Alliance is happy to report that the “BE YOU” sculpture have officially been installed in the new 1st Street Plaza. In December of 2019, we presented this sculpture to the City Council with the expectation that we will donate the Sculpture to the City of St Charles. We received positive feedback and moved forward with the project.

Our organization has paid the sculpture amount in full, and has provided the documentation to the City. We respectfully ask that the City to accept ownership of the “BE YOU” Sculpture by artist Matthew Hoffman.

Thank you,

Jenna Sawicki

Executive Director

St Charles Business Alliance

