

## **City Council**

# Approval of Recommended Designs for Ten Traffic Box Wraps

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#### **Title**

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#### **Recommended Action**

The Arts Commission recommends approval of ten designs for the Traffic Box Wrap Public Art Project as determined by public vote.

#### **City Manager Recommendation:**

Move to approve ten designs for the Traffic Box Wrap Public Art Project as recommended by the Arts Commission and determined by public vote.

#### Report

#### Issue:

Whether to approve ten designs for the Traffic Box Wrap Public Art Project as recommended by the Arts Commission and determined by public vote for fabrication and installation.

#### **Staff Contact:**

Stephanie Johnson, Arts Program Manager, Parks, Arts & Recreation, 360.709.2678

### Presenter(s):

None - Consent Calendar Item

#### **Background and Analysis:**

Each year community members are invited to submit their work to be considered for a public vote. At the end of the voting period the top ten images with the most likes are printed as vinyl canvases and installed on traffic boxes around town. The project started in 2015 and there are currently 57 traffic box wraps on display throughout the City.

For the latest round of wraps, the application period opened in November and closed in January. A total of 58 submissions (up from 29 in 2020) were received from area artists across a wide range of design and materials.

Public voting took place through the City's Engage Olympia webpage from February 1-28. A total of 1,603 votes were received and the voting results and images of the top ten designs were shared at

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the March 10, 2022 Arts Commission meeting.

Upon Council approval, staff will contract with the approved artists and the images will move into fabrication, to be printed on vinyl and installed on ten boxes throughout Olympia. The wraps are expected to last for several years.

## Neighborhood/Community Interests (if known):

This project receives great community response and participation.

## **Options:**

- 1. Move to approve the publicly selected designs for Olympia traffic boxes for fabrication and installation.
- 2. Modify the recommendation of traffic box wraps for fabrication and installation.
- 3. Do not approve recommendation and do not move into fabrication and installation.

## **Financial Impact:**

There is \$16,000 identified in the Municipal Art Fund for artist honoraria for use of their artwork (\$500) and fabrication and installation of the vinyl wraps.

#### Attachments:

2022Traffic Box Wrap Recommendations