

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER OR HIS DESIGNEE TO SUBMIT A GRANT APPLICATION IN COOPERATION WITH THE NORMAN ARTS COUNCIL TO BLOOMBERG PHILANTHROPIES FOR THE ASPHALT ART INITIATIVE TO UNDERTAKE THE INCORPORATION OF ART INTO PUBLIC SPACES.

- § 1. WHEREAS, Bloomberg Philanthropies is offering an Asphalt Art Initiative Grant Program for 2021, in which it intends to award as many as twenty grants up to \$25,000 each to U.S. cities; and
- § 2. WHEREAS, the purpose of the grant is to help cities create arts-driven redesigns that can improve traffic safety, develop vibrant public spaces, and engage residents in their respective communities; and
- § 3. WHEREAS, Bloomberg Philanthropies' Asphalt Art Initiative for 2020 resulted in sixteen city grants for art installations that will occur in 2020 and 2021; and
- § 4. WHEREAS, the deadline for grant application submittal is April 30, 2021, and winner announcements are expected in Fall of 2021; and
- § 5. WHEREAS, Bloomberg Philanthropies' grant guidelines stipulate that each application must be submitted by a city agency; and
- § 6. WHEREAS, the City of Norman proposes partnering with the Norman Arts Council to submit an application for the Bloomberg Philanthropies Asphalt Art Initiative Grant before the April 30, 2021, deadline; and
- § 7. WHEREAS, it has been suggested that this grant application should focus on the Porter Corridor, most likely in the vicinity of the Johnson Street intersection, which would allow for collaboration with Norman Regional Health System as well as complement the City's plans for a Senior Wellness Facility.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA, AS FOLLOWS:

- § 8. THAT the City of Norman, Oklahoma, hereby authorizes the City Manager or his designee to submit a grant application in cooperation with the Norman Arts Council to Bloomberg Philanthropies Asphalt Art Initiative; and



- § 9. THAT the City of Norman, Oklahoma, expresses its commitment and intention to working with the Norman Arts Council, and any affected stakeholders, regarding the use of these funds for public installation, including potential installation as part of the Porter Corridor Project; and

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 27th day of April, 2021.

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Mayor

ATTEST:

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City Clerk