

Request For Board Action

REFERRED TO BOARD: December 11, 2017

AGENDA ITEM NO: 10

ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT: Administration

SUBJECT: Consideration of a Resolution Authorizing the Village Administrator to purchase a trail marker tree sculpture from Dennis Downes for \$35,000.00

SUMMARY AND BACKGROUND OF SUBJECT MATTER:

As was discussed at the September COW meeting, the Village is considering the purchase of a 7 foot tall Bronze Trail Marker Tree Sculpture to be installed on Main Street in the mini park downtown. This is significant because Main Street was once the well-known Porcupine Trail. Dennis Downes is the artist that made the sculpture and will assist Public Works with installation. Mr. Downes will also provide at his cost a bronze plaque to explain the significance of the Trail Marker Tree and how prevalent they once were in this area.

Financial Impact: \$35,000.00

DOCUMENTS ATTACHED:

1. Resolution

RECOMMENDED MOTION:

Move to approve a resolution authorizing the Village Administrator to purchase a Trail Marker Tree sculpture from Dennis Downes for \$35,000.00

RESOLUTION 17 - _____

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR TO PURCHASE A TRAIL MARKER TREE SCULPTURE FROM DENNIS DOWNES FOR \$35,000.

WHEREAS, the Village of Antioch, Lake County, Illinois (the "Village") is a duly organized and existing municipality created under the provisions of the laws of the State of Illinois, and

WHEREAS, the Village Board discussed the merits of installing a Trail Marker Tree Sculpture in the downtown on Main Street at a committee meeting, and

WHEREAS, Main Street in Downtown Antioch was once known as the Porcupine Trail and was marked with Trail Marker Trees, and

WHEREAS, Dennis Downes is a well-known local artist that studies Trail Marker Trees and makes artwork of the Trail Marker Trees, and

WHEREAS, Dennis Downes has offered this particular 7 foot tall sculpture to the Village for \$35,000.00, and

WHEREAS, Dennis Downes has offered to help Public Works install the sculpture at no charge, and

WHEREAS, Dennis Downes will provide a bronze plaque to explain the significance of the sculpture at no charge.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF ANTIOCH, LAKE COUNTY, ILLINOIS, to authorize the Village Administrator to purchase a Trail Marker Tree Sculpture from Dennis Downes for \$35,000.00

ADOPTED by the Mayor and Village Board of Trustees of the Village of Antioch, Lake County, Illinois, and this 11th day of December, 2017.

APPROVED this 11th day of December, 2017.

AYES:

NAYS:

ABSENT:

Lawrence M. Hanson, Mayor

ATTEST:

Lori K. Romine, Village Clerk