



City of Apache Junction

Development Services Department



DATE: October 3, 2018

TO: The Honorable Mayor and City Council

THROUGH: Bryant Powell, City Manager

FROM: Heather Patel, Grants Administrator

SUBJECT: Public Art

REQUEST

Staff respectfully requests the City Council receive a presentation from Dianne Cripe regarding public art in Apache Junction.

BACKGROUND

Dianne Cripe is an arts consultant in the areas of public art management, art master plans and arts programming, specializing in creating programs that are meaningful to each city. Previously she served as the Manager of the Art in Public Places Program for Sacramento, managed both permanent and temporary public art projects and programs for the City of Las Vegas and directed the Art in Public Places Program for the State of Hawaii. In Las Vegas, she worked with the Public Works Department to integrate artwork into streetscape projects. Cripe is a longtime Arizona resident and as director of public art for Arizona State University, she managed commissioned projects, curated exhibitions and initiated public programs. Cripe established the City of Goodyear public art program, developing policies and public art plans, creating programs for youth, and coordinating the integration of artwork into freeways with ADOT. She has earned several grants and managed the public art component for two National Endowment for the Arts “Our Town” grants. Cripe holds an M.A. in Art History and a M.Ed. in English.

DISCUSSION

Dianne Cripe with Artspace 6 LLC Art Advisory Services was asked to speak to the City Council about public art, specifically for the roundabout and the potential for a public art program for the city.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff respectfully recommends the City Council receive a presentation.