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Re: Art in Bloom Request for Sculptures & Site Selection in ANC 6B

Dear Mr. McCaffrey,

At a regularly scheduled, properly noticed, meeting on March 9, 2021, with a quorum present, Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 6B voted 10-0-0 to support the proposal by Eastern Market Main Street made to the National Cherry Blossom Festival to temporarily place one of the Festival's 25 planned giant Cherry Blossom sculptures at a location on parcel one of the Eastern Market Metro Park.

The location of the park and the active use of its playground by residents of our community make this placement an appealing choice. The sculpture is intended to remain in place from approximately March 20, 2021 until May 31, 2021. The Festival will take responsibility for any upkeep of the sculpture during this period as well as for the sculpture's installation and removal.

Our first choice for the location of the sculpture within parcel one would be on the splashpad area just to the east of the playground. However, if this location proves to be technically unfeasible, then we would also support placement in the hardscaped area to the south of the playground, as long as such placement can be accomplished in a manner which does not impede pedestrian access along the diagonal walkway traversing this area.

Please contact Commissioner Steve Holtzman, ANC 6B05 SMD Commissioner at 202-489-6542 or at 6b05@anc.dc.gov, if you have any questions about this request or need further information.

Sincerely,



Brian Ready
Chair, ANC 6B

Cc:

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