RESOLUTION NO. 32-13

A RESOLUTION APPROVING DESIGN AND PLACEMENT OF A PAINTED MURAL ON CITY-OWNED PROPERTY AT MELDRUM PARK.

WHEREAS, in April 2011, Whittier Middle School students in Mrs. Lela Himmerich’s eighth grade social studies class presented their hopes and dreams for a Neighborhood Revitalization Program that included development of an artistic neighborhood mural project;

WHEREAS, the Whittier Neighborhood Mural Project is coordinated by the Sioux Falls Arts Council and is supported by an “Our Town” grant from the National Endowment for the Arts;

WHEREAS, visiting artists Dave Loewenstein and Ashley Laird, and local apprentice artist, Nate Buchholz, collaborated with Whittier Neighborhood residents, Whittier Residents Association, students from Terry Redlin Elementary School, Whittier Middle School, Joe Foss and Washington High Schools, and the Sioux Falls Arts Council on the project’s vision statement, conducted research for the mural, and created the neighborhood design team, in which over 30 community meetings were held with over 100 participants;

WHEREAS, this project exemplifies community collaboration, creative place making, neighborhood identity and pride, and colorful community-based public art within a city park;

WHEREAS, Whittier Neighborhood residents and students will help the artists paint the mural to be located along the west face of an existing water reservoir structure at Meldrum Park during the month of July 2013;

WHEREAS, on April 8, 2013, the Sioux Falls Arts Council reviewed and unanimously approved the attached Whittier Neighborhood Mural Project design and placement at Meldrum Park;

WHEREAS, on April 9, 2013, and on April 16, 2013, both citizen boards—the Sioux Falls Visual Arts Commission and the Sioux Falls Parks and Recreation Board—reviewed and unanimously approved the attached design for the Whittier Neighborhood Mural Project and placement at Meldrum Park;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY OF SIOUX FALLS, SD:

That it approves and authorizes the attached design and placement of a painted mural on City-owned property at Meldrum Park.

Date adopted: 05/07/13

Mike T. Huether
Mayor

ATTEST:
Lorie Hogstad
City Clerk