



**Traverse City United States Coast Guard Committee
*Special Meeting***

3:00 P.M.

Thursday, February 13, 2014

**Located in: The Second Floor Conference Room
Governmental Center**

Traverse City, MI 49684

Posted: Tuesday, February 11, 2014 at 8:30 AM

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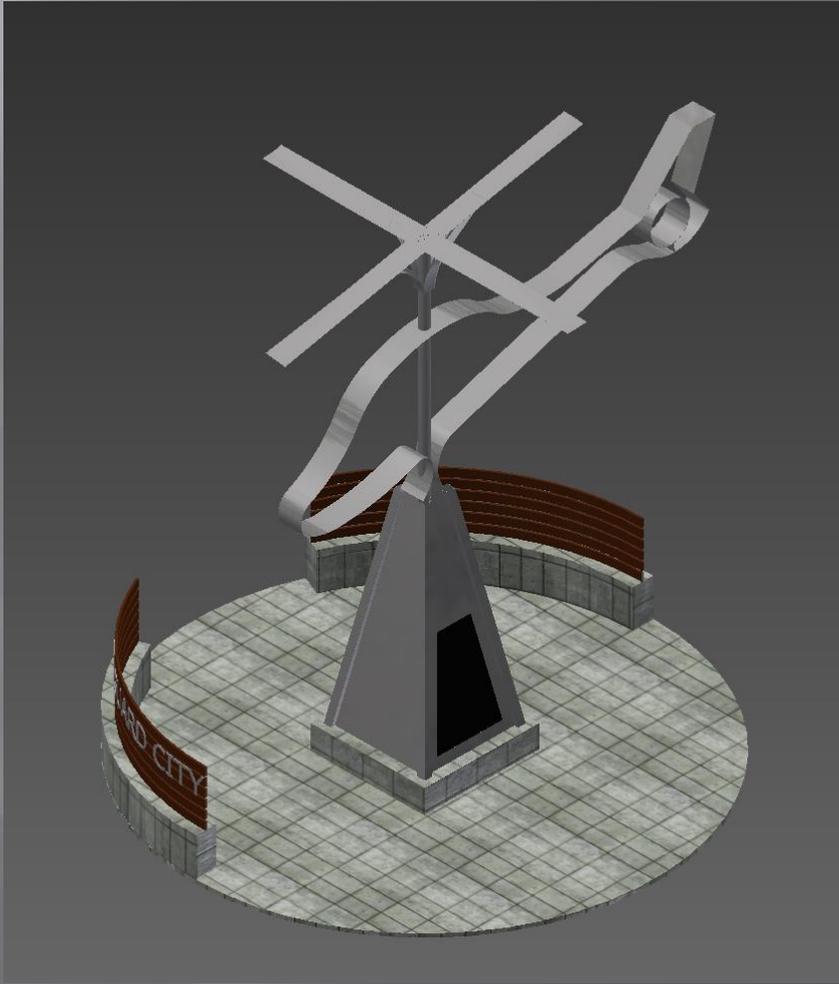
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AGENDA

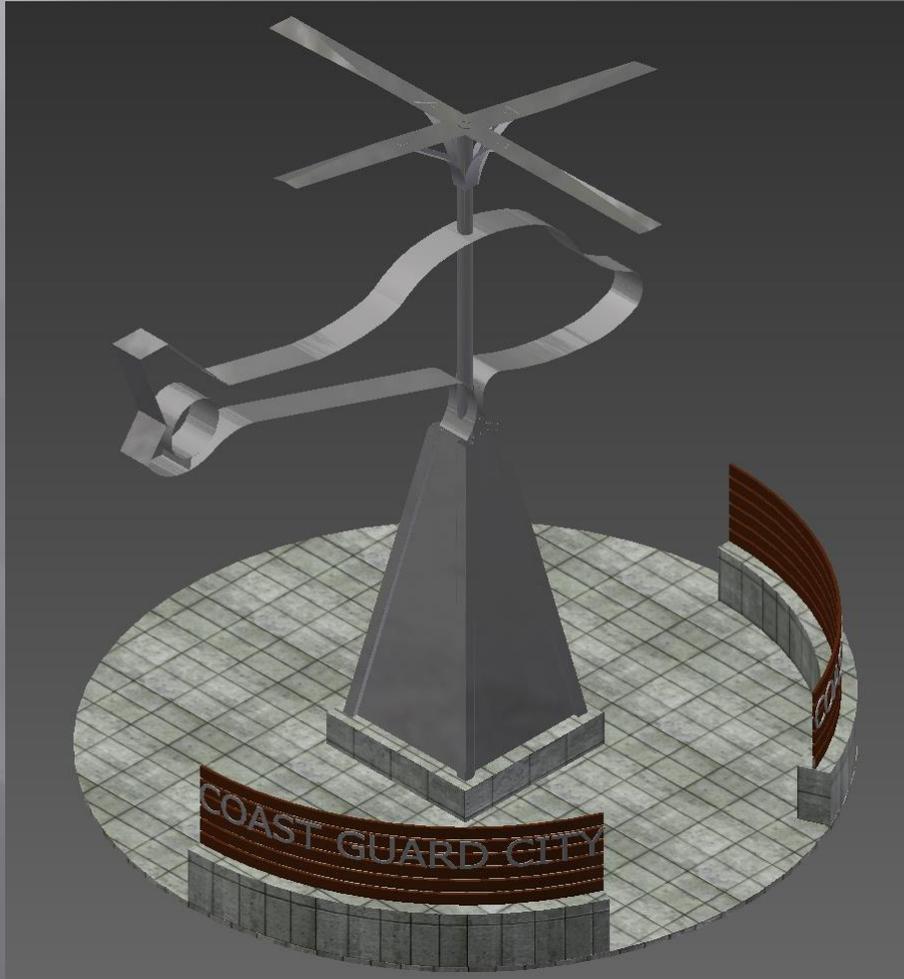
1. ROLL CALL
2. Announcements
3. Discussion the Coast Guard Monument project.
4. Public Comment
5. Adjournment

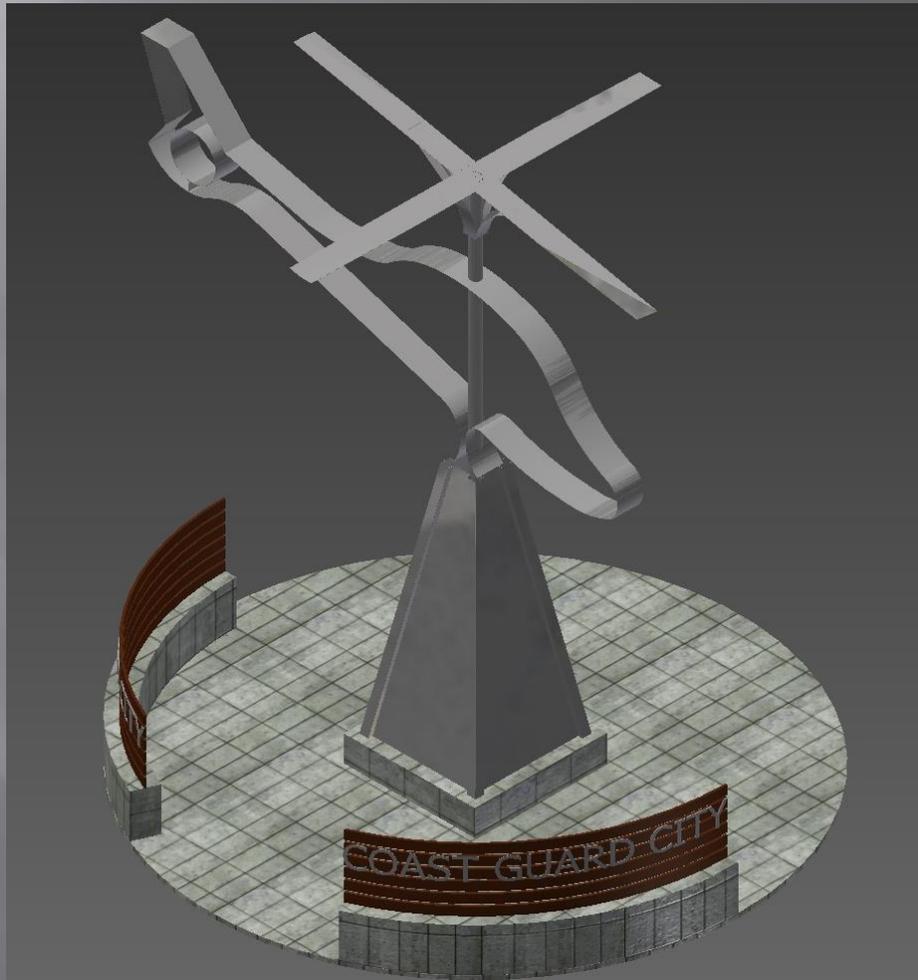
COAST GUARD CITY

Traverse City, Michigan













Katelyn Stroven <kstroven@traversecitymi.gov>

Fwd: Coast Guard Sculpture: Recap of Concerns

Gary Howe <glhowe@traversecitymi.gov>
To: Katelyn Stroven <kstroven@traversecitymi.gov>

Mon, Feb 10, 2014 at 12:59 PM

Hi Katelyn,

If needed, I can forward some more emails that we got about the CGC Proposal yesterday. Do you need them? There were three.

Gary Howe

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From: **Gary Howe** <glhowe@traversecitymi.gov>
Date: Sun, Feb 9, 2014 at 4:07 PM
Subject: Coast Guard Sculpture: Recap of Concerns
To: Jered Ottenwess <jottenwess@traversecitymi.gov>
Cc: Brian Haas <ob1haas@gmail.com>, Lauren Vaughn <lvaughn@traversecitymi.gov>

Jered,

The Parks and Recreation Commission chief concerns with the Coast Guard Committee proposal mainly were, but not limited to, concerns with Location, Size, and Appropriateness, items 1, 4, and 7 in the Monument and Public Art Policy.

- **1. Location, develop list of possible locations:** This is the first time the commission has heard of the project and only one location was suggested.
- **4. Size of item versus area of proposed installation:** There are concerns about the size in relation to the prominent location as a gateway to downtown. Other plans, the most recent being the corridor plans, have also called out this area for a gateway feature. There was concern that there needed to be a call out for ideas from a broader scope of interests before approving the location for a single interest.
- **7. Appropriateness of item for public display:** There were concerns that the quality of the feature has not had a wide enough public review. There were concerns that there was limited evaluation by qualified art experts and that the City lacks a process for this. In absence of this, it was suggested that further evaluation and input be sought by the CGC before proceeding.

This summary is by no means captures consensus opinion, but merely is an attempt to put the deferment of the proposal in context of the discussion at Thursday night's meeting.

In my opinion, there was general agreement that the idea of something honoring the Coast Guard, perhaps even in this location, was appropriate, but the how, what, and where raised concerns. Individual park commissioners may have different specific opinions.

Policy: <http://www.traversecitymi.gov/downloads/monumentandpublicartpolicy.pdf>

Gary Howe



Katelyn Stroven <kstroven@traversecitymi.gov>

Coast Guard Committee Monument

Chase, Christopher M CDR <Christopher.M.Chase@uscg.mil>

Mon, Feb 10, 2014 at 4:10 PM

To: kstroven@traversecitymi.gov, Glen VanRiper <vrbonita@charter.net>, Joe Muha <joemuha@gmail.com>, Kevin Bavers <execdirector@nwmiredcross.org>, "Cross, Sean M CDR" <Sean.M.Cross@uscg.mil>, Stanley Simons <sosimons72@gmail.com>, Stephen Perdue <sperdue@grandtraverseindustries.com>

All -

For awareness, Coast Guard Headquarters in DC received the email below.
IF we elect to seek out the opinion of local artists, then perhaps we could invite Mr. Kirby?

I have not responded to the email...

r/Chris

CDR Chris Chase
Executive Officer
Coast Guard Air Station Traverse City
O: 231-922-8221
C: 231-463-2003

-----Original Message-----

From: kirbdog@chartermi.net [mailto:kirbdog@chartermi.net]

Sent: Sunday, February 09, 2014 1:28 PM

To:

Subject: sculpture

Message:

dear local coast guard- i know that i have probably missed the public input portion for review of the helicopter sculpture. but, as an artist, i would like to say that the design, at least as shown in today's paper, is very weak. it looks very much like it was done by a high school kid. if there is time please reconsider this design. respectfully, david kirby



Katelyn Stroven <kstroven@traversecitymi.gov>

Fwd: [city commissioners] helicopter

Gary Howe <glhowe@traversecitymi.gov>
To: Katelyn Stroven <kstroven@traversecitymi.gov>

Mon, Feb 10, 2014 at 1:40 PM

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From: **David Kirby and Martha Topol** <kirbdog@chartermi.net>
Date: Sun, Feb 9, 2014 at 1:25 PM
Subject: [city commissioners] helicopter
To: citycommissioners@traversecitymi.gov

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Katelyn Stroven <kstroven@traversecitymi.gov>

Fwd: [city commissioners] sculpture

Gary Howe <glhowe@traversecitymi.gov>
To: Katelyn Stroven <kstroven@traversecitymi.gov>

Mon, Feb 10, 2014 at 1:39 PM

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From: **Jeanne Sirotkin** <genie49@aol.com>
Date: Sun, Feb 9, 2014 at 10:33 AM
Subject: [city commissioners] sculpture
To: CityCommissioners@traversecitymi.gov

Dear Commissioners:

I applaud Gary Howe's suggestion that we step back and look at the helicopter proposal. It seems both way too large and not an appropriate welcome to our downtown. Perhaps a small scale in Clinch Park where kids could climb on it might be more appropriate. Or as an entry into the Coast Guard Station.

The intersection in question is quite important in terms of a gateway into the city. I believe in public art but in art that fits a specific space and reflects the beauty of our natural environment. I would ask you to reconsider this plan.

Sincerely, Jeanne Haynes
Slabtown resident

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Katelyn Stroven <kstroven@traverscitymi.gov>

Fwd: Coast Guard Statue

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Gary Howe <glhowe@traverscitymi.gov>
To: Katelyn Stroven <kstroven@traverscitymi.gov>

Tue, Feb 11, 2014 at 7:09 AM

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From: **Charles Sole** <charles.s.sole@gmail.com>

Date: Tue, Feb 11, 2014 at 12:36 AM

Subject: Re: Coast Guard Statue

To: ob1haas@gmail.com, danielle@byte-productions.com, brookeedigiacom@gmail.com,
glhowe@traverscitymi.gov, keedanlex@gmail.com, ariannepetersen@hotmail.com,
musicmanseamus@hotmail.com

While I respect the service our Coast Guard provides, I can't help but disagree with the placement and need of the statue. Would these donations not be better served as some relief to the recent budgetary concerns of the Parks & Recs department. Additionally, I would urge purposing several different locations for discussion purposes. My initial reaction to the suggested site is mixed. I'm not in favor of obstructing our spectacular West Grand Traverse Bay views. If this is the case, should we not consider a centrally located "Open Space" site or this monument as a replacement to our dysfunctional "Cinch Park" water feature?

Respectably,

Boardman Neighborhood Resident



Katelyn Stroven <kstroven@traversecitymi.gov>

Re: Thanks

Lauren Vaughn <lvaughn@traversecitymi.gov>

Mon, Feb 10, 2014 at 12:56 PM

To: "Gary L. Howe" <GLHowe@traversecitymi.gov>

Cc: Brian Haas <ob1haas@gmail.com>, Katelyn Stroven <kstroven@traversecitymi.gov>

Gary,

Kate Stroven in the Clerk's Office is the staff person working with this committee. I would think she would be the appropriate staff person to funnel information through to get to the CG committee. If you could send me a copy as well, we will have it for the P & R Comm.

Lauren

On Mon, Feb 10, 2014 at 12:42 PM, Gary L. Howe <GLHowe@traversecitymi.gov> wrote:

FYI, I will forward any comments I receive.

Lauren, who shall people send comments to for the Coast Guard Commission?

Gary

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From: **Mike Jackson** <tmjackson36@gmail.com>

Date: Sun, Feb 9, 2014 at 10:30 AM

Subject: Thanks

To: Gary Howe <garylhowe@gmail.com>

Gary, thanks for the pull back on the CG Statue /monument. I new nothing about that- and a public hearing would be good. Also conflicts somewhat with the entrance at that spot we planned in Bayfront Planning documents, I think.

Regards,

Mike

Sent from my iPhone

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Lauren A. Vaughn
Parks and Recreation Superintendent
City of Traverse City