

DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

Economic Development Division

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TO: Public Arts Commission
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SUBJECT: Discussion: *Stranger Reduction Zone*

Update

Stranger Reduction Zone is one of the artworks that were installed in Urbana in 2014 as a part of the Urbana Sculpture Project. The Urbana Sculpture Project is made possible by the Public Art League, a local nonprofit that is committed to “the installation, maintenance and promotion of public artworks in Champaign-Urbana.”

Stranger Reduction Zone is scheduled for deinstallation in fall 2016. However, staff has received positive feedback about *Stranger Reduction Zone*, and is aware of the possibility of purchasing the sculpture. The price is \$4,000, but the two-year rent of \$2,000 could count towards the purchase. Staff is planning on speaking with representatives of the Urbana Free Library, where the sculpture is located, and the Public Art League to discuss this matter.

Recommendation

Staff recommends that the Public Arts Commission help establish a set of criteria that a temporary sculpture must meet to be added to the Program’s permanent collection; and share any comments that they might have on *Stranger Reduction Zone*.

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