



CITY OF RICHMOND

Department of Planning & Development Review *Staff Report*

To: City Planning Commission
From: Public Art Commission
Date: November 17, 2014

PETITIONER

Matthew Ebinger, Secretary to the Public Art Commission, 804-646-6308

LOCATION

920 Hull Street (Manchester Courthouse)

PURPOSE

Section 17.05 Review to approve a public art installation in the form of a bronze medallion in the plaza of the Manchester Courthouse (920 Hull Street), as reviewed by the Public Art Commission.

SUMMARY & RECOMMENDATION

Construction began in May of 2008 for the expansion of Richmond's historic Manchester Courthouse, which included the installation of a landscaped brick plaza located along the 9th Street side of the building that serves as the main entrance for visitors to the courthouse.

The Public Art Commission has selected public artwork in the form of a bronze medallion to be installed in the aforementioned brick plaza, pursuant to the City's percent-for-art program and the Public Art Commission's procedures for the selection of such artwork.

The bronze medallion will be approximately 9' in diameter, depict historic scenes of Manchester with descriptive text, and will be of bronze composition. The medallion will be mounted in the center of the existing red brick-paved circle in the plaza, at the corner of Hull Street and East 9th Street.

At its October 14, 2014 meeting, upon a motion made by Ms. Morrison and seconded by Ms. Driggs, the Public Art Commission voted (7,0) to recommend approval of the medallion and its location in the brick plaza.