



CITY OF RAPID CITY

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To: Historic Preservation Commission
From: Alex DeSmidt, Landscape Designer
Subject: First Nations Sculpture Garden
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The Parks and Recreation Department has received a request from First Nations to pursue an MOU to construct a Native American Sculpture Garden at Halley Park, 515 West Blvd.

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In preliminary reviews of the proposed location it was identified that the property is within the Environs of the Historic West Boulevard District which requires a review by the Historic Preservation Commission. The proposed location is also encumbered by a State Historical review since it is a Nationally Registered Historic Place.

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The Parks and Recreation Advisory Board has not approved or denied this location. We are seeking the input of the HPC board in regards to the historic significance of this site and the claims made by First Nations to assist in the decision making process. If the proposal receives approval from the City Council an MOU will be formalized and all reviews and permits will be sought by First Nations prior to any construction.

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Thank you