

A RESOLUTION REGARDING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE CHAPEL HILL PUBLIC ARTS COMMISSION THROUGH AN ENDOWMENT FUND AND OTHER PRIVATE SOURCES OF FUNDING (98-11-9/R-6)

WHEREAS, the public display of art can enrich the life of our community as a place where human expression through the arts is cherished and promoted; and

WHEREAS, Orange County, Chapel Hill and Carrboro have a well established community of artists working in media such as painting, sculpture, ceramics, photography and weaving; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to support the public display of art with gifts and grants whenever possible rather than with Town property tax revenues and sales taxes;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Town of Chapel Hill that the Council establishes a Chapel Hill Public Arts Commission for Public Art based on the following principles:

1. The Endowment shall be funded primarily from gifts and grants.
2. The interest earnings and a limited amount of the principal of the Endowment shall be used to enhance Town buildings, and areas such as public parks and plazas, through the display and occasional purchase of works of art by local artists.
3. The Council will appoint a Public Arts Commission (hereafter known as "The Commission") with up to eighteen individuals with special knowledge, interest or expertise in the arts. The Commission shall be responsible for making recommendations to the Council on using Endowment funds and other monies from private gifts and any other fundraising activities for displays and occasional purchases, fundraising and handling operational matters such as scheduling, publicity and other matters associated with the public display of works of art.

This the 9th day of November, 1998.