



November 12, 2025 City Council Meeting

Title

Consider approval of the display of the Community Mosaic Project mosaics on the fence line of the alleyway between Water Street Parking Deck and Blacks Run — Barbara Camph

Summary

City Council will consider approving the installation and display of eighty (80) mosaics on the fence line of the alleyway between Water Street Parking Deck and Blacks Run. The Community Mosaic Project features collage mosaic art pieces created by over 6,000 participants from the community with the support of Barbara Camph and Sarah Lock. The Department of Public Works has evaluated the location and is in support. OASIS Fine Art & Craft will complete the installation with the oversight of the Harrisonburg Department of Public Works.

Recommendation

Option 1- Approve the display of the Community Mosaic Project mosaics on the fence line of the alleyway between Water Street Parking Deck and Blacks Run

Fiscal Impact

No fiscal impact.

Context & Analysis

The Community Mosaic Project began in February 2025 to honor the 25th anniversary of OASIS Fine Art & Craft. The theme of the project is: *What do you like best about the Harrisonburg area*. Community members had the opportunity to request 16" x 24" panels from OASIS and also received all of the supplies-- including glass pieces, equipment, glue, bandaids-- and training. Completed panels then were returned to OASIS to be grouted. The project concluded in September 2025 with over 80 panels and more than 6,000 people contributing to the panels' creation.

The Community Mosaic Project was funded through community donations, a Qdoba fund raiser organized by a James Madison University class, and supply donations from Home Depot and Commonwealth Building Materials.

Options

Option 1- Approve the display of the Community Mosaic Project mosaics on the fence line of the alleyway between Water Street Parking Deck and Blacks Run

Option 1- Deny the display of the Community Mosaic Project mosaics on the fence line of the alleyway between Water Street Parking Deck and Blacks Run