

Paint the Street Application



Applicant Name	Main Contact	Council District	Email	Phone Number	Proposed Location	Project Type	Project Goals	Represent	Anything else	Agreement
Woodbridge Neighborhood Development	Rieanna Stewart		6 stewart@woodbridgendc.org	734-309-8139	primary street Lincoln Street. Between Calumet Street and W Alexandrine St.	Mural	In an effort to improve public safety for residents, inspire people, draw in visitors, and enhance residents' quality of life, we are proposing a series of two mid block murals. This location was chosen as it is a residential street that was not selected for city speed bumps, but there is a need for traffic calming along this street. We believe the public art will encourage traffic calming and enhance the street for our community.	The design is based around two large rosary style barn quilt graphics, and a meandering celtic design with fills. Barn quilts are found throughout the midwest, having originated with Dutch-Pennsylvania farmers. More broadly though they are hex signs, which have been used throughout human history. They are often thought of as a visual prayer, a memorial, or a protector of a place. The round barn quilt design relates to rosary patterns one might see in the church windows nearby (My Brother's Keeper) as well as some of the decorative windows in the Victorian homes of Woodbridge. The meandering squiggle design is drawn from Celtic origins. Celtic artwork had a heavy influence on Victorian architecture (homes and churches) and so can be connected culturally to the turn-of-the-century homes and churches in Woodbridge. The application of these historically relevant motifs through bold colors and playful nuances places them into the contemporary realm and hopes to achieve cultural significance for all of the generations and demographics in the neighborhood.	We already have an experienced public art and street artist selected (who has provided us these two designs) and ready to get to work on the project. Additionally, we have secured funding to support this project and are finalizing community interest and have gotten feedback from some of the residents living on Lincoln already that are excited about the project and designs. We will be aiming to begin active painting on 7/6/21 - 7/18/21. We will plan to host a community paint contribution day, inviting our residents, neighbors and kids to help finish the painting on 7/18/21 with a "reveal" celebration on 7/18/21.	Rieanna Stewart