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Staff Report

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To: Executive B

Wake Transit Art Funding Eligibility Policy

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At the direction of the Wake County Transit Planning Advisory Committee (TPAC), an Art & Culture Workgroup coordinated by the City of Raleigh was created to help inform the development of a policy for integrating art into projects supported by Wake Transit tax revenues. The purpose of the policy that was ultimately developed is to identify projects that are eligible to use Wake Transit funds for art, set funding parameters, guide Wake Transit project sponsors through the process of requesting art funding and reporting expenditures, and to provide program staff with the information necessary to implement the policy. The TPAC recommended approval of the policy to CAMPO and to the GoTriangle Board of Trustees at its August 11th regular meeting. The TPAC-recommended Wake Transit Art Funding Eligibility Policy document is provided as Attachment 1.

Although the TPAC recommended the attached policy, the TPAC's vote on a recommendation of the policy was not unanimous, with one dissenting vote coming from the Town of Apex's voting membership. In the event that a TPAC vote is not unanimous for items that are subsequently forwarded to the CAMPO Executive Board and GoTriangle Board of Trustees, the adopted TPAC bylaws require both the majority and minority perspectives on the matter be provided to both governing boards. CAMPO staff will provide an overview of the TPAC-recommended Wake Transit Art Funding Eligibility Policy and share both perspectives with the Executive Board at its September 15th regular meeting.

The TPAC-recommended policy will be released for a CAMPO-administered public comment period between September 17th and October 19th. The policy will be considered for recommendation by the TCC to the Executive Board at its October 7th regular meeting, and the Executive Board will hold a public hearing and consider it for approval at its October 20th regular meeting.

Requested Action: Receive as information.