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### **Comet Halley Sculpture and Sunburst Marker (B)**

**This item involves a request to accept Elizabeth Indianos' Comet Halley Sculpture and Sunburst Marker for the Gainesville Solar Walk.**

In March 2002, artist Elizabeth Indianos installed a public art project in cooperation with the Alachua Astronomy Club titled "Gainesville Solar Walk," at a cost of \$30,000. Since this time, the Art in Public Places Trust (APPT) has been cooperatively working with the Alachua Astronomy Club for additional enhancements to the site in order to make it an attraction for Gainesville. These enhancements included: repair to monuments; the design and fabrication of two benches by the solar walk artist, Elizabeth Indianos; installation of two pairs of interpretive signs designed by the Alachua Astronomy Club and graphic designer Saydi Kaufman and fabricated by Crystal Graphics, Inc.; and installation of two donor plaques made by Creative Workshop, Inc. all of which had been completed in March 2006.

On April 2, 2008, the City of Gainesville's Art in Public Places Trust Advisory Board, in cooperation with the Alachua Astronomy Club, unanimously approved artist Elizabeth Indianos' Comet Halley Sculpture and Sunburst Marker to be installed as additional enhancements to the Gainesville Solar Walk. The two sculptures represent the Comet Halley aphelion (farthest point from the Sun) and Comet Halley perihelion (nearest point from the Sun). The primary location (aphelion) for the comet sculpture will be between Neptune and Pluto and the secondary location (perihelion) for the sunburst marker will be near Venus.

The cost for the Comet of Halley sculpture and Sunburst Marker including artist labor, materials and travel expenses total \$10,825 and will be funded from the Art in Public Places Trust budget.

**Recommended Motion:** The City Commission approve the request to accept the Art in Public Places Trust recommendation of Elizabeth Indianos' Comet Halley Sculpture and Sunburst Marker for the Gainesville Solar Walk.