











**To:** Boulder Public Library Commission

**From:** David Farnan, Library and Arts Director  
Jennifer Phares, Deputy Library Director

**Date:** Aug. 28, 2020

**Subject:** Resolution Concerning the Acceptance of Revenue from the Warner Charitable Trust and Background Information.

**Boulder Public Library Commission  
September 2, 2020  
A Resolution Concerning the Acceptance of Revenue  
From the Warner Charitable Trust**

Whereas, the Warner Charitable Trust (hereinafter, “ the trust”) has designated the Library Commission for the City of Boulder (hereinafter, “the Commission”) as the recipient of income in its trust agreement dated August 16th, 1965, and;

Whereas, according to the terms of the trust agreement, payments to recipients commenced in December 2005, and;

Whereas, the trust agreement specifies that said income payments are to be expended in equal parts for acquisition of books in the Children’s Section and the Adult Section of the Boulder Public Library, and;

Whereas, the Boulder Public Library has received a payment on behalf of the Commission in the amount of \$5,994 on July 20, 2020.

Now, therefore, the Commission authorizes the Boulder Public Library Director to accept the income on behalf of the Commission and to expend said income for the purposes designated in the trust agreement.

**BACKGROUND:**

The Boulder Public Library receives a donation each year from the Warner Charitable Trust. As per the agreement, the contributions are divided into equal parts for the acquisition of books in the Children’s and Adult sections of the library. The expenditure of the funds must be exclusively applied for these purposes only and any funds not so expended are to be returned to the trust.

Alex H. Warner was a longtime Boulder educator, library supporter and activist for seniors and youth. The Warner Charitable Trust was established upon his death in May 1990 to support the library’s collection of children and adult materials for the community. Mr. Warner served as a library commissioner from 1969 to 1973 and later as a member of the Boulder Library Foundation. For more information about Mr. Warner, please read the attached articles and letters from the Carnegie Branch Library for Local History Archives.

# BOULDER PUBLIC LIBRARY

September 3, 2020

Dear Warner Charitable Trust,

The Library Commission is grateful for your generous donation to the Boulder Public Library. Your continual financial support allows us to carry out the library's mission and serve the community. Your donation is used to purchase much needed materials in the children's and adult sections of the library.

The community is thankful for your generous donation and continuing the Warner's legacy within the library.

2020 Boulder Public Library Commission

Juana Gomez  
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*"Books are the quietest and most constant of friends; they are the most accessible and wisest of counselors, and the most patient of teachers."*

— Charles W. Eliot

## Commission Memo

**Meeting Date: Sep 2, 2020 – via Zoom**

1. Items from Commission (verbal)
  - a. Ongoing outreach efforts (All)
    - i. Outreach to community –  
Gómez along with Joni Teter met with Councilwoman Joseph.  
Frost and Gómez attended Planning Board Meeting and spoke during NoBo public hearing.
    - b. ALA – Engaging Library Supporters During COVID-19 Pandemic – ongoing webinars
2. Updates from Commissioners Representing the Commission in other Venues (verbal)
  - a. BLF Update (Jane / Joel)
    - i. Update on HALO
  - b. Champions – joint efforts
3. Update on Emails & Phone Calls to Library Commission

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*As yet we have not replied. Gómez emailed a question to Library administration to formulate an answer.*

Date: Sunday, August 9, 2020

To: Library Commission

Via Formstack from: Gabe Manner

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I would like to bridge a potential partnership, between Boulder Public Library and a sports league I own in Central Africa. This would specifically be the second library I have an interest in, regarding the idea - due to myself soon residing in this part of Colorado.

The idea comes from bringing additional opportunities to youth and any members of the library, pertaining to education - while at the same time - in a shared network of sporting relationships abroad.

CSR Multisport (my entity) is nine months old, and caters to Local Olympic Development, for multisport. Our current relationships relevant to this inquiry, include World Vision USA and Kigali Public Library.

CSR Website: [www.csrmultisportleague.com](http://www.csrmultisportleague.com)

I'll be happy to share more details, answer any questions and express over like minded ideas - behind the scenes, I'm transparent. Thank you in advance for your consideration and review.

Kindest Regards,

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**2021 City Manager's Recommended Budget**

A memo and draft of the City Manager's Recommended Budget is scheduled to be issued to City Council on Monday, August 31, 2020. The memo will be available on the [City Council Documents](#) page. Library staff will email a link to the memo and document to the Library Commission after it is available.

**North Boulder Branch Library**

The north Boulder branch library design team presented the site review plan to the Planning Board on Aug. 20, 2020. After public comment and board deliberation, the Planning Board members voted unanimously to accept the site review application.

If you are interested in information about the youth engagements for the project, The Growing Up Boulder report for the project is **Attachment A**.

The project team plans to submit Technical Documents packet to Planning and Development Services on September 14, 2020. This timing is dependent upon receiving information from the civil engineers and landscaping consultants. The project is scheduled for call-up by City Council on September 15, 2020.

**Update on Current Library Services**

More than 19,000 patrons visited the Main Library since re-opening in a limited capacity on August 3, 2020!

**Dial A Patron**

A total of 815 calls have been made by staff to older adult patrons through the Dial a Patron Program. Of those calls:

- 694 were conversations, voice messages left, and/or emails sent
- 121 were no answers, bad phone numbers or other issues

About forty patrons have requested more information about the Home Delivery program during these calls.

**Library Performance Measures Q2 – 2020 Delayed**

Links to the library performance measures reports will be included in the October Library Commission packet. The digital services and the programs and use reports are under revision to incorporate the change in focus to virtual programs that occurred with closure of the library in Q2 due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Staff layoffs and furloughs specifically of the programming staff have also delayed the collection and analysis of program and use statistics.

**Public Art Installations**

The Main Library is getting a new art mural on the side of the building! Priming began on August 26, 2020 on the northwest corner of the north building. The mural painting will begin Monday, August 31, 2020.

Below is the rendering (as seen from the bus stop at 9<sup>th</sup> and Canyon). Below is also some info on the mural as well as a link to learn more about the artist.



**Boulder Public Library Mural**, Thomas “Detour” Evans, portrait of former mayor Penfield Tate II, (\$5,000 funded through Office of Arts + Culture Creative Neighborhoods (OAC CN), city-owned site has approval from Library, Landmarks, and City Manager):

- Location detail: north building façade, visible from 9<sup>th</sup> and Canyon
- Penfield Tate II was Boulder’s first and only black mayor known for his humanitarian efforts and outspoken LGBTQ activist
- [Detour](#) is a Denver-based artist and leader in the “Spray Their Names” movement
- Project supports the city’s desire to visually articulate the recently adopted [Racial Equity Resolution 1275](#)

This fall, the Civic Area (right in front of the Main Library Canyon entrance) will undergo construction to welcome Boulder’s newest public art commission titled *55 Degrees* by artist Adam Kuby.

[Adam Kuby](#) and his concept for *55 Degrees* were specifically selected by a community selection panel and the Boulder Arts Commission from more than 280 qualified applications. Kuby used his background in landscape architecture, sculpture, urban forestry and zoo habitat design to design *55 Degrees*. Three steel sculptures will be placed in the Civic Area, matching the north-south orientation of the Flatirons. The artist hopes to foster a sense of connectedness with the built and unbuilt world through this abstraction of our city's iconic backdrop. The sculptures will function as interactive windows, framing the sky, the park and the mountains beyond.

**Surveying on the site will begin Sept. 8, 2020, with construction following in mid-September. Construction is anticipated to take roughly 8-10 weeks, culminating with the sculptures around Oct. 15.** The construction team will be following construction guidelines with strict COVID-19 health and safety protocols. During this construction period, the city and construction crews will do everything possible to ensure safety and minimize impact to park visitors and neighbors. The park and library will remain open, although intermittent disruptions to the Boulder Creek Path and Canyon parking lots will occur. Traffic on the path or in this lot will be detoured or diverted to another parking location.

Staff will update the community on this project through various tools, including a press release, signage at the construction site, social media and website support.

Attached is a rendering of Adam Kuby’s *55 Degrees* (click on image to see enlarged version):



For more information on this *55 Degrees* project, visit the project page at <https://boulderarts.org/public-art/in-progress/civic-area/>