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REPORT TO THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

FROM: Heather Shank, City Planner, on behalf of Heritage Commission
DATE: November 22, 2022
SUBJECT: Request from the Division of Historical Resources (DHR) and the Department of Transportation (DOT) to install a historical marker sign honoring former Concord resident Elizabeth Gurley Flynn

Recommendation

Accept this report and approve the request.

Background

The Division of Historical Resources (DHR) and the Department of Transportation (DOT) made a request to Council to install a historical marker sign honoring former Concord resident Elizabeth Gurley Flynn at the corner of Montgomery and Court Street. City Council referred the request to the Heritage Commission during the October 11th, 2022 Council meeting.

The Heritage Commission heard the request during their November 3rd, 2022 meeting. Amy Dixon from DHR, Arnie Alpert, and Mary Lee Sargent appeared before the Commission to give a presentation explaining the significance of Elizabeth Gurley Flynn as a historical figure. They also noted that the City has 13 other similar signs installed by DHR and DOT, and that there is no cost to the City.

Heather Shank, City Planner, shared the location with the Engineering Division for feedback. Engineering staff provided a graphic illustrating sight lines that should be preserved, noting that there is sufficient space outside the sight lines. The graphic was provided to Ms. Dixon who indicated that the installation would comply with the recommendation.

The Commission voted unanimously that they were in favor of the sign and location, and to recommend approval of the sign to Council.