CITY OF
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MEMORANDUM

Date: July 13, 2026
To: Tom Flick, Director of Parks and Recreation
From: Stephanie Lynaugh, Economic Development Specialist
Subject: Peace Pole Installation in Ellen Kort Peace Park

The Appleton Public Arts Committee met on July 13, 2026 and recommended approval of the proposal from Rotary Club of Appleton to install a peace pole in Ellen Kort Peace Park as described in the attached documents.

Per the Art in Public Places Policy, the recommendation from the Appleton Public Arts Committee is forwarded to the committee of jurisdiction, in this case, the Parks and Recreation Committee. Please place this item on the agenda for the next Parks and Rec Committee agenda.

The staff memo prepared for the Public Arts Committee is attached as reference.

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Date: July 1, 2026
To: Public Arts Committee
From: Steph Lynaugh, Economic Development Specialist
Subject: Rotary Club Peace Pole in Ellen Kort Peace Park

GENERAL INFORMATION

Owner: City of Appleton

Applicant: Rotary Club of Appleton

Address/Parcel Number: Ellen Kort Peace Park, parcels #31-3-1483-00, #31-3-1484-00, #31-2-0786-01 & #31-2-0785-00

Request: The Public Arts Committee should review the proposed Peace Pole.

PROJECT DETAILS

The Rotary Club of Appleton is requesting permission to install a Peace Pole, which features a pole displaying eight different languages saying, “May Peace Prevail On Earth”. The Peace Pole is proposed in Ellen Kort Peace Park and funding, manufacturing, and installation are being covered by the Rotary Club and their partners. Additional information on the Peace Pole project is included in the agenda packet.

Appleton Public Arts Committee Action:

Staff reviewed the proposal, consulted with appropriate departments, and found no objections to the submitted application. However, it is the Public Arts Committee’s role to evaluate the aesthetics of the proposal. Based upon the guidelines outlined in the Art in Public Places Policy, the Public Arts Committee is responsible for reviewing the proposal and making their recommendation to the committee of jurisdiction (Parks and Recreation Committee in this case). The Public Arts Committee may recommend the proposal be approved, conditionally approved, or denied.

Narrative:

The Rotary Club of Appleton is seeking permission to install a Peace Pole a single Peace Pole with eight languages (English, Spanish, Hmong, Swahili, Dari, Kinyarwanda, Mandarin, and Menominee) to be installed in Ellen Kort Peace Park. Funding and a manufacturer have been secured, and installation will be provided by the Boldt Company. The intent is to have the project completed this summer, with a dedication tied to International Peace Day in September.

The pole should not require significant maintenance.

About Peace Poles:
The Peace Pole Project was started in Japan by Masahisa Goi (1916- 1980) who dedicated his life to spreading the message, May Peace Prevail on Earth. Mr. Goi was greatly saddened by the destruction caused by World War II and the atomic bombs that fell on the cities of Hiroshima and Nagasaki. His desire to assist in the creation of world peace was answered in 1955 when the message of May Peace Prevail on Earth came to him in a moment of inspiration and deep prayer.
After Mr. Goi authored the message, May Peace Prevail on Earth, it was promoted throughout Japan. Soon after, Peace Poles inscribed with the message began to appear in locations across Japan. After the United Nations International Year of Peace in 1986, supporters around the world began to plant peace poles in their communities across the United States and the world. Peace Poles are now the most recognized international peace symbol and monument worldwide with more than 200,000 Peace Poles standing in almost every country around the world.
(from peacepoles.com)

WIND SCULPTURE & PEACE POLE PROJECT

CITY OF APPLETON - ELLEN KORT PEACE PARK
W WATER STREET, APPLETON, WI 54911

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VICINITY MAP

PROJECT LOCATION
W WATER STREET
APPLETON, WI 54911

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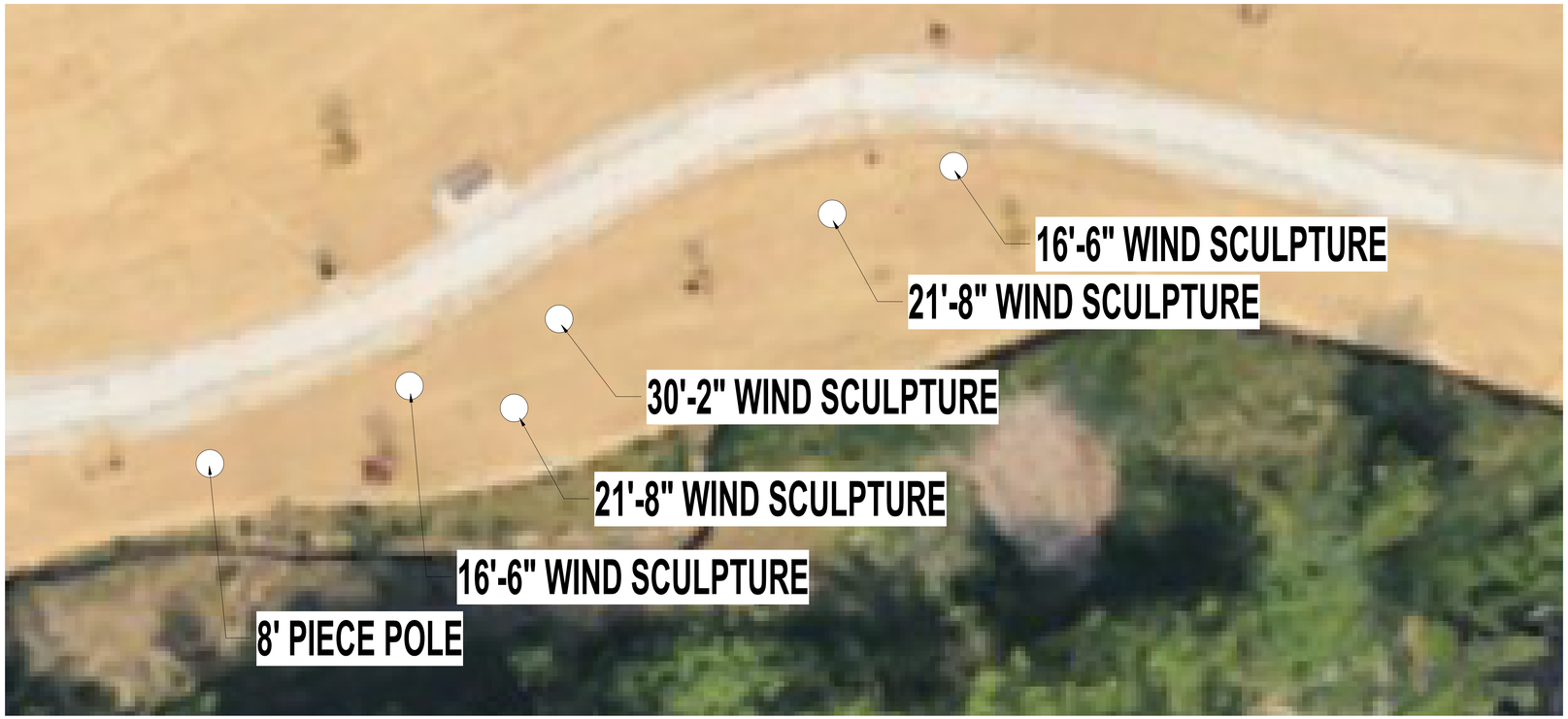

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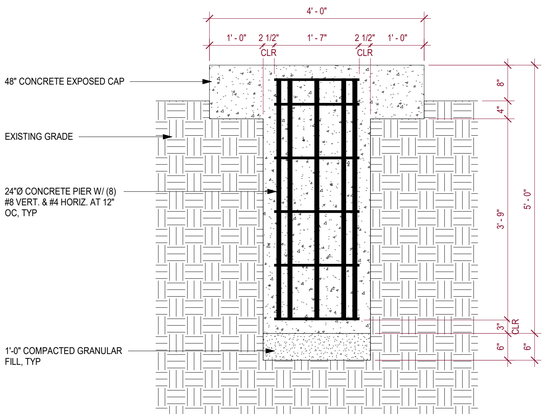

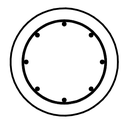

24" PIER REINFORCEMENT LAYOUT

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Peace Pole Installation Guide

What You'll Need

1-2 bags of Redi-Mix cement

Spade shovel

Bubble level

Hoe and wheelbarrow for mixing cement

5-10 gallons of water to mix cement and wash tools

1.

Dig a hole approximately 16" square/deep.

2.

Mix the concrete according to the instructions and put half of the mixture in the hole.

3.

Place the Peace Pole in the hole approximately 12" from the base of the pole (for hexagon and octagon poles, 16-20 inches). Use the bubble level to ensure the pole is straight.

4.

Add the remaining concrete. Use the level again and adjust if necessary. We recommend always using cement if placed in a public space. (You might choose not to place your Peace Pole in cement. If so, simply fill with dirt, pack, and follow the leveling recommendations.)

5.

Smooth the concrete. If desired, note the date or add something into the firming cement.

6.

Landscaping or placing flowers in a slightly raised mound around your Peace Pole makes an attractive presentation.

Care Of Your Peace Pole

Plexiglass plaques may be cleaned with a soft cloth and mild soapy water. Should you wish to replace any worn plaques, you may purchase replacement plaques on our website.

Peace Poles may be left to weather gradually and naturally. If you care to renew the surface appearance at some point, we use an exterior grade stain and clear coat finish that can be sanded down to the natural wood and a new finish applied. A tung oil product would also be satisfactory.

The cedar wood itself should resist decay for some time, however, we do not recommend planting it in an area that remains constantly wet or moist.

Peace Pole Makers USA

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ANY OTHER QUESTIONS?

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