

January 16, 2020

Mayor Bryan Barnett Rochester Hills City Hall 1000 Rochester Hills Drive Rochester Hills, MI 48309

Dear Mayor Barnett,

Here at Paint Creek Center for the Arts, we are committed to providing opportunities to experience art within all the communities we serve. That is why we are so excited by the opportunity to partner with Rochester Hills to develop meaningful works of public art to be included as an important component of the substantial investment the city is making in the Auburn Road corridor.

According to research compiled by Americans for the Arts, public art has proven to not only increase economic growth and sustainability, but also positively impact residents' sense of social cohesion, cultural understanding, cultural identity, and attachment to their community.

Working in conjunction with your amazing staff, we've developed this project to ensure we maximize these potential community impacts by including only work that is by artists within the community and focusses on points of community pride and belonging.

We look forward to working with you and the city of Rochester Hills, to ensure the Auburn Road corridor includes beautiful, meaningful, community-based public art.

Sincerely,





Elizabeth (Beth) Chilton **Executive Director**



