

DATE: January 28, 2016

AGENDA ITEM # 5

TO: Public Arts Commission

FROM: Jon Maginot, Staff Liaison

SUBJECT: Community art projects

RECOMMENDATION:

Discuss potential community art projects and potential next steps

BACKGROUND

As part of the Public Arts Commission (PAC) 2014/15 Work Plan, the PAC developed a process and plan for conducting a community art project.

DISCUSSION

Various ideas for a community art project have been presented as possibilities. At its June 25, 2015 meeting, the PAC voted to move forward with conducting a community art project based around an artistic bicycle rack design competition. Submissions for the competition were due on November 23, 2015.

As well, on December 10, 2015, the PAC discussed several additional possibilities for community art projects.

In addition, other ideas have been suggested for various community art projects.

• Bring other forms of art to the City

The Commission has taken steps to begin developing an Arts Master Plan which will outline the process for bringing more forms of art to the City. The first step included the development and approval of the Los Altos Public Arts Commission Mission Statement.

• Obtain plaques for all sculptures in the City

The City has installed plaques for all sculptures installed within the last three years and the Commission continues to look for opportunities to install plaques for all sculptures.

• Add OR codes to website and current sculptures

The Commission is waiting for development of the new City website.

• Propose a budget for artwork

The Commission submitted a budget request for art at First and Main Street which was approved as well as has identified stipends for pieces loaned to the City.

Other projects

The Commission also began discussing artistic bike racks within the City as well as potentially recommending a gateway piece at the corner of San Antonio Road and El Camino Real.