



## **PUBLIC ARTS COMMISSION MEETING AGENDA**

**5:00 PM - Thursday, March 23, 2023**

***City Council Chambers, 1 North San Antonio Road,  
Los Altos, California 94022***

The Public Arts Commission will meet in person in the City Council Chambers located at 1 N. San Antonio Road, Los Altos, California 94022. Members of the public may participate in person or via video conference:

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### **ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION/ACTION**

- 1. Minutes:** Approve the minutes of the February 23, 2023 meeting
- 2. Community Pop-Up Art Project:** Receive an update on the Community Pop-Up Art Project
- 3. Art Without Walls:** Recommend a location for placement of *Vortex*

4. **Community Center Art:** Receive an update on the next Community Center Art exhibit
5. **Community Art Engagement:** Receive an update from the subcommittee and discuss potential community art engagement opportunities (no written report)
6. **Art at City Hall:** Discuss opportunities for public art at City Hall

## INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

## COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS AND COMMENTS

## POTENTIAL FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

## ADJOURNMENT

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**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PUBLIC ARTS COMMISSION  
OF THE CITY OF LOS ALTOS, HELD ON THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 23,  
2023, AT 5:00 P.M. HELD VIA VIDEO/TELECONFERENCE**

**ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: Chair Waldman, Vice Chair Corrigan, Commissioners Couture, Janjigian, Moore  
(left at 5:48 p.m.)

ABSENT: Commissioners Tasic

**PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA**

None

**ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION/ACTION**

1. Minutes: Approve the minutes of the January 26 and February 6, 2023 meetings

Action: Upon a motion by Commissioner Couture, seconded by Chair Waldman, the Commission approved the minutes of the January 26 and February 6, 2023 meetings, by the following vote: AYES: Corrigan, Couture, Janjigian, Moore, Waldman; NOES: None; ABSENT: Tasic; ABSTAIN: None.

2. Community Pop-Up Art Project Proposal: Review a proposal for a community pop-up art project and provide direction as needed

Community member S. M. Lieu presented the proposal.

Action: Motion made by Vice Chair Corrigan, seconded by Commissioner Couture, to approve a subcommittee of Commissioners Couture, Janjigian and Moore to work with the community member and staff on the project and to approve expenditure of up to \$2,000 for the project. Chair Waldman offered an amendment, which was accepted, to increase the budget to \$2,500. The motion, as amended, passed by the following vote: AYES: Corrigan, Couture, Janjigian, Moore, Waldman; NOES: None; ABSENT: Tasic; ABSTAIN: None.

3. Art Without Walls: Review entries, select pieces and recommend locations for placement of artworks

Staff provided the report.

Action: Upon a motion by Chair Waldman, seconded by Commissioner Moore, the Commission approved placing Capital ART at First Street and Main Street and directed the subcommittee to find a location along Third Street for Vortex, by the following vote:

AYES: Corrigan, Couture, Janjigian, Moore, Waldman; NOES: None; ABSENT: Tasic; ABSTAIN: None.

4. Community Center Art: Receive an update from the subcommittee on the next community center art exhibit

Chair Waldman provided the update.

5. Community Art Engagement: Receive an update from the subcommittee and discuss potential community art engagement opportunities

Vice Chair Corrigan provided an update.

6. Public Art Fund: Receive an update on the Public Art Fund

Staff presented the report.

### ***INFORMATIONAL ITEMS***

7. Receive information and announcements from City staff

Staff reported that the Commission will begin meeting in person in March 2023.

### **POTENTIAL FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

The Commission requested a future agenda item to discuss art at City Hall.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Waldman adjourned the meeting at 6:01 p.m.



## PUBLIC ARTS COMMISSION AGENDA REPORT

**Meeting Date:** March 23, 2023

**Subject:** Community Pop-Up Art Project

**Prepared by:** Jon Maginot, Assistant City Manager

**Initiated by:** Public Arts Commission

**Attachment(s):** None

### **Staff Recommendation**

The staff recommends the Commission receive an update on the Community Pop-Up Art Project.

### **Environmental Review:**

Not applicable

### **Summary/Project Description:**

On February 23, 2023, the Public Arts Commission approved working with community member S. M. Lieu on a community pop-up art project.

### **Fiscal Impact:**

The Public Arts Commission recommended a budget of \$2,500 to be paid from the Annual Public Arts Project.

### **Discussion/Analysis**

A subcommittee of Commissioners Janjigian and Moore are working with S. M. Lieu on the project and can provide an update.

**From:** [City of Los Altos California](#)  
**To:** [Los-Altos Public Arts Commission](#)  
**Subject:** Form submission from: Art Without Walls  
**Date:** Thursday, October 13, 2022 12:12:01 PM  
**Attachments:** [vortex.jpg](#)  
[vortex\\_back\\_view.jpg](#)  
[vortex\\_left\\_side\\_shot.jpg](#)  
[vortex\\_right\\_side\\_shot.jpg](#)

Submitted on Thursday, October 13, 2022 - 12:08pm

Submitted by anonymous user: 70.235.139.180

Submitted values are:

Name Diego Harris

Contact Phone Number [REDACTED]

Artist Website (if applicable) [steelsculpturesbydiegoharris.com](http://steelsculpturesbydiegoharris.com)

Email Address [REDACTED]

Photos of Art Piece - Front [vortex.jpg](#)

Photos of Art Piece - Back [vortex\\_back\\_view.jpg](#)

Photos of Art Piece - Left Side [vortex\\_left\\_side\\_shot.jpg](#)

Photos of Art Piece - Right Side [vortex\\_right\\_side\\_shot.jpg](#)

Title of Art Piece Vortex

Brief Description

Vortex is my homage to one of my favorite shapes in nature, the spiral. Although I use spirals in lots of my sculptures, this one is probably my purest version. I wanted it to look very plant like, as if it were growing out of the ground. My goal is to fool the viewer into thinking that they are looking at some strange plant or animal and not at a steel sculpture, at least for a moment. I like to use corten steel because the patina seems almost like an organic material.

Sorry but I didn't have a better shot of the right side. Also the photo from the back is from when I first installed it at it's current location and the patina hadn't formed yet. You can't really see the base of the sculpture all the way either but if you need me to I can send you some shots from when I was building it. Thank you.

Art Piece Value \$10,000

Medium (including finishes) Corten Steel with mild steel structure underneath.

Artwork Measurements (Height) 8.4

Artwork Measurements (Width) 5.6

Artwork Measurements (Depth) 3.2

Artwork Total Weight 300

How did you hear about "Art Without Walls"

I think that I was just scouting around online looking for public art projects. I may have seen it on cafe listings but I forget.

The results of this submission may be viewed at:

<https://www.losaltosca.gov/node/74321/submission/77907>









## PUBLIC ARTS COMMISSION AGENDA REPORT

**Meeting Date:** March 23, 2023

**Subject:** Art Without Walls

**Prepared by:** Jon Maginot, Assistant City Manager

**Initiated by:** Public Arts Commission

**Attachment(s):** *Vortex*

### Staff Recommendation

The staff recommends the Commission recommend location for placement of *Vortex*.

### Environmental Review:

Not applicable

### Summary/Project Description:

On June 23, 2022, the Public Arts Commission (PAC) approved a call for art for entries to the City’s Art Without Walls program. On December 8, 2022, the PAC reviewed potential locations for sculptures.

### Fiscal Impact:

Selected entries will receive a stipend of \$1,500 to be paid using allocated Public Art Funds.

### Discussion/Analysis

Entries were due to the City on October 13, 2022. At the October 27, 2022 PAC meeting, the Commission reviewed entries and selected a certain number to move forward in consideration. The subcommittee for this call for art recommended potential locations for the entries at the December 8, 2022 meeting. As of the February 23, 2023 meeting, locations had been identified for all pieces selected except for one. The subcommittee was directed to review potential locations for the remaining piece.





## PUBLIC ARTS COMMISSION AGENDA REPORT

**Meeting Date:** March 23, 2023

**Subject:** Community Center Art

**Prepared by:** Jon Maginot, Assistant City Manager

**Initiated by:** Public Arts Commission

**Attachment(s):** None

### **Staff Recommendation**

The staff recommends the Commission receive an update on the next Community Center Art exhibit

### **Environmental Review:**

Not applicable

### **Summary/Project Description:**

The “Every Child Is An Artist” exhibit is currently on display in the Los Altos Community Center and will be up until March 2023.

### **Fiscal Impact:**

None

### **Discussion/Analysis**

At the February 6, 2023 Public Arts Commission meeting, the Commission approved the theme of “Moments in Time” for the next exhibit. Entries were due March 17, 2023.





## PUBLIC ARTS COMMISSION AGENDA REPORT

**Meeting Date:** March 23, 2023

**Subject:** Art at City Hall

**Prepared by:** Jon Maginot, Assistant City Manager

**Initiated by:** Public Arts Commission

**Attachment(s):** None

### **Staff Recommendation**

The staff recommends the Commission discuss opportunities for public art at City Hall

### **Environmental Review:**

Not applicable

### **Summary/Project Description:**

Previously, the Public Arts Commission administered a gallery of rotating art in the Council Chambers at City Hall.

### **Fiscal Impact:**

None

### **Discussion/Analysis**

With the remodel of the Council Chambers, a rotating gallery of art along the walls of the Council Chambers is not feasible. There are other potential opportunities for public art at City Hall.