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**To:** [Public Comment](#)  
**Subject:** Art in Los Altos  
**Date:** Tuesday, October 12, 2021 12:03:43 PM

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Dear City Council,

The City of Los Altos has always been a fiscally conservatively run City.

I appreciate that public art adds meaning and uniqueness to Los Altos but am concerned with the multitude of different voices that have recently expressed themselves through artwork in our downtown area. I believe the Public Arts Commission in Los Altos should take the lead in being a unifying voice for public art and how it is curated throughout the City to give a cohesive feel.

I am writing in support of the addition to the Guidelines in Agenda item 7. I believe the developer fees the Public Arts Commission has recently received should be used equally in conjunction with possible partnerships with other arts organizations and not be giveaways to organizations that do not have to abide by the norms or standards the Commission or community and answerable to the public. Public funds should not be giveaways to organizations outside of City governance.

Best,

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I support the new guidelines for partnerships proposed by the Arts Commission. I have found that their committee has done a tremendous job through the years with their limited resources and have every reason to believe that they will continue to use funds wisely.

Valerie Lauterbach  
Los Altos resident

**From:** [Bill Hough](#)  
**To:** [Public Comment; City Council](#)  
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I am writing to make sure that your new public art guidelines continue to designate "Art that signifies a political or religious statement" as Ineligible Works of Art. It appears that the redline version does not change that verbiage, but I am writing to make sure.

We do not need any contentious "art" that pushes a political point of view that only inflames and divides the community.