



DATE: July 28, 2016

AGENDA ITEM # 3

TO: Public Arts Commission

FROM: Jon Maginot, Staff Liaison

SUBJECT: Discuss opportunities for placement of murals in Downtown

BACKGROUND

As part of its 2015/16 and 2016/17 Work Plans, the Public Arts Commission (PAC) has discussed potential installation of murals in Los Altos. Potential installations have been suggested for Downtown.

DISCUSSION

On March 22, 2016, the City Council considered a recommendation from the PAC to allocate \$20,000 for the installation of two murals Downtown. The City Council approved this recommendation contingent upon the City Council approving the final installations. On April 19, 2016, the City Council and PAC met in a joint meeting and discussed the proposed mural concepts. Based on the feedback received at that meeting, it is recommended that the Commission discuss next steps in moving forward with developing final proposals for Council approval.

On April 28, 2016, the PAC met with artist Morgan Bricca and asked for conceptual designs for a mural Downtown and approved asking artist Kelsey Montague to develop a conceptual design for her mural. On May 26, 2016, the PAC reviewed conceptual designs from both muralists and provided feedback for them.

On June 23, 2016, the PAC recommended installation of the mural by Kelsey Montague to the City Council and approved moving forward with a design by Morgan Bricca at an alternate location. On July 12, 2016, the City Council considered the recommendation to install the Kelsey Montague mural and expressed concerns with the proposed mural and directed the Public Arts Commission to propose a mural which is more colorful and without the black background.