



# Public Art Working Session

June 12, 2024





- Council Priority for 2017-2019- "Work with the Visual Arts Committee to develop a strategy to encourage public art in private development projects."
- Consultant hired in Fall 2019- benchmarking and outreach related to Art in Private Development Policies was conducted
- A Planned Council Study Session on Public Art scheduled March 2020
- Pandemic 2020-2022
- January 2022- Re-engagement with the VAC on developing a public art strategy



## Purpose of Working Session

Capture input from VAC in 3 areas to share at Council Study Session October 2024:

- Should the City explore additional funding mechanisms like grants or endowments to support additional public art programing and installations in Mountain View?
- 2. Should other policies and recommendations, including a donor policy, maintenance policy, and deaccessioning policy, be considered for inclusion into a public art strategy?
- 3. Should elements, such as a vision, goals, and strategies, and actions be included in the development of a public art strategy?



### **Current Mountain View Funding Approaches**

- City has K-5 policy
- Donation through K-6 policy
- Recently applied for a Placemaking grant from VTA



## Private Percent for Art Programs

| CITY          | FUNDING STRUCTURES  |   |
|---------------|---|---|
| Cupertino     | Percent for Art in Private Development  1% of the first \$100 million construction valuation and 0.9% in excess of \$100 million. | In Lieu Option 1.25% in-lieu fee.   |
| Los Gatos     | 1% of construction costs. 1% of construction valuation.   | 1% in-lieu fee. In-lieu fee equivalent to public art cost.                                    |
| Milpitas      | 0.5% of building development costs for nonresidential building developments over 2,000 square feet.                               | 0.5% in-lieu fee.   |
| Mountain View | No Policy   | No Policy   |
| Palo Alto     | 1% of construction valuation for first \$100 million and 0.9% in excess of \$100 million (valuation adjusted with CPI).           | 1% in-lieu fee.   |
| Redwood City  | 1% of new commercial development over 50,000 square feet.   | 1% in-lieu fee. If developer does not spend all 1%, the remaining amount can go into the fee. |
| San Mateo     | 1.19% of building permit fee for commercial/multi-family projects over \$3 million construction valuation.                        | 1.19% in-lieu fee.  |
| Sunnyvale     | 2% of construction valuation. If developer does not spend entire 2%, remaining amount contributed to the public arts fund.        | 1.1% in-lieu fee.   |



Should the City explore additional funding mechanisms like grants or endowments to support additional public art programing and installations in Mountain View?

### Yes Affirmed

Desire to see additional funding for more Art in Mountain View including:

- Staff go after Grants for Arts
- Pursue a Percent for Art for Private Development including an In-Lieu Option
  - Sunnyvale Program is a strong model
  - Program should be applied for market rate housing and mixed uses
- Funding approach should allow for Art to be more spread out throughout all of Mountain View



## Other Policy Considerations

| CITY          | Art in Private<br>Development | In Lieu<br>Option | Percent for<br>Art Public<br>Projects | Donation/<br>Sponsor<br>Policy | Maintenance<br>Policy | Deaccessioning/<br>Removal Policy |
|---------------|-------------------------------|-------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Cupertino     | Υ                             | Υ                 | Υ                                     | N                              | Υ                     | N                                 |
| Los Altos     | Υ                             | Υ                 | Υ                                     | Υ                              | Υ                     | Υ                                 |
| Los Gatos     | Υ                             | Υ                 | N                                     | Υ                              | N                     | Υ                                 |
| Milpitas      | Υ                             | Υ                 | Υ                                     | Υ                              | N                     | N                                 |
| Mountain View | N                             | N                 | Υ                                     | Υ                              | N                     | N                                 |
| Palo Alto     | Υ                             | Y                 | Υ                                     | Υ                              | Υ                     | Υ                                 |
| Redwood City  | Υ                             | Υ                 | Υ                                     | Υ                              | Υ                     | Υ                                 |
| San Mateo     | Υ                             | Υ                 | N                                     | Υ                              | Υ                     | Υ                                 |
| Sunnyvale     | Υ                             | Υ                 | Υ                                     | Υ                              | Υ                     | Υ                                 |





Should other policies and recommendations, including a donor policy, maintenance policy, and deaccessioning policy, be considered for inclusion into a public art strategy?

Yes Affirmed

Would also like to see art education opportunities like other cities



# Should elements, such as a vision, goals, and strategies, and actions be included in the development of a public art strategy?

Yes Affirmed.

### **Draft Vision Statement**

The creation of diverse public art enriches Mountain View's innovative and creative culture, enhances the vibrancy of our diverse community, and transforms Mountain View into an art destination.

#### **Draft Public Art Goals**

- Cultivate a vibrant civic art culture which builds community and reflects Mountain View's heritage and diversity.
- Foster placemaking and identity to support economic development and enhance Mountain View's livability.

### **Public Art Strategies**

- Develop, augment, and refine city policies and procedures to better align and encourage art appreciation and place keeping.
- Expand and enhance public art in Mountain View to make it more prevalent, diverse, relevant, and enriching.
- Broaden the scope of public art in MV by expanding outreach, encouraging public participation, and fostering collaboration.





- Develop a memorandum for City Council session in October 2024, identifying benchmarking and best practices
- Seeking direction and guidance from Council on their expectations for public art
- Include feedback from this working session as an attachment to the study session memorandum



## Public Art Map

