



County of Los Alamos

BCC Meeting Minutes

Arts in Public Places Advisory Board

1000 Central Avenue
Los Alamos, NM 87544

*Stephanie Haaser, Chair; Jasmine Stephens, Vice-Chair; Anna Buckthorpe; Tim Foley; and
Andy Wright, Members*

Thursday, July 24, 2025

5:30 PM

1000 Central Avenue, Suite 110
Zoom (see agenda for the link)

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1. CALL TO ORDER

Call to order at 5:30pm.

Present 4 - Board Member Buckthorpe, Board Member Stephens, Board
Member Foley and Board Member Wright

Remote 1 - Board Member Haaser

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment.

3. BUSINESS

A. [20446-25](#) Approval of Minutes from the June 26, 2025 APP Meeting

Presenters: Arts in Public Places Advisory Board

Attachments: [A - APP Meeting Minutes from the June 26, 2025](#)

I move that the Board approve the minutes from the June 26, 2025 APP Meeting.
Member Foley - Moved, Member Buckthorpe - 2nd, Approved 5-0
accepted

B. [20447-25](#) Budget Report

Presenters: Chelsea Ashcraft

Attachments: [A - APP Running Budget FY26](#)

Chelsea Ashcraft updated the Board on the APP Budget.

- Industrial Machine repair is done
- Solar Tree is still pending
- J Muzacz design is done
- Leisure Lagoon art is to be finished with installation at the beginning of August
- Projects and the money needed for them was reviewed
- Do not have FY26 revenue yet.
- Left with a balance of \$225,531.15

C. [20448-25](#) Police Station Art Project Working Group Update

Presenters: Jasmine Stephens and Tim Foley

Attachments: [A - Project Plan for the Police Station Art Project](#)

Vice Chair Stephens updated the Board on the Police Station Art. There are 4 submissions from the call for art that went out as of today. Questions from the Board were answered. Chelsea Ashcraft explained how purchasing a piece that is already made would be done. The public comment process was discussed.

D. [20449-25](#) "Scales of Justice" Relocation Discussion

Presenters: Chelsea Ashcraft

Attachments: [A - Scales of Justice - Images of Current Location & Possible New Location](#)

Item was tabled pending more information.

E. [20450-25](#) Nature Center Art Working Group Update

Presenters: Tim Foley

Attachments: [A - Image of Stone Base for Raven Dialog Sculpture](#)
[B - Raven Dialog Quote with Installation](#)

Member Foley updated the Board on the Nature Center Art Working Group. A stone was chosen for the statue to be mounted on. Questions were answered on what "modify the stone" would mean. Member Foley will report back to the working group and the PEEC Board the decision to move forward.

I move that APP recommends to Council to purchase "Raven Dialog", a small sculpture by artist Star York, to be installed in the front garden area at the Nature Center for a not-to-exceed price of \$10,000 plus an additional \$5,000 for installation and other miscellaneous costs for a total not-to-exceed cost of \$15,000.

Member Foley - Moved, Member Buckthorpe - 2nd, Approved 5-0
accepted

F. [20451-25](#) Call for Art - Senior Center Security Gate

Presenters: Arts in Public Places Advisory Board

Attachments: [A - Jonathan Watson Proposal](#)
[B - Los Alamos County Job #4181 - Gate Installation Quote from LA Landscaping](#)
[C - Long-Term Maintenance Opinion on "Los Alamos Heritage Gate"](#)

Chair Haaser removed herself from the discussion due to a conflict of interest. Vice Chair Stephens will lead the discussion on the Senior Center Security Gate. Chelsea Ashcraft updated the Board on where we are on the purchase of the gate. We can now move forward with proceeding with the purchase.

I move that the Art in Public Places Board recommend to County Council the approval of the purchase of "Los Alamos Heritage Gate" by artist Jonathan Watson for the Betty Ehart Senior Center, with a total project not-to-exceed amount of \$21,000, which includes the artwork purchase, installation, plaque, ribbon cutting ceremony, and contingency costs, excluding gross receipts tax (GRT).

Member Foley - Moved, Member Wright - 2nd, Approved 4-0
accepted

G. [20452-25](#) Justice Center Wall Art Designs

Presenters: Arts in Public Places Advisory Board

Attachments: [A - Images of Design 1-Cultural Reference, and Design 2-Birds and Big Skies of L](#)
[B - Muzacz Project Quote](#)

Chelsea Ashcraft and Chair Haaser updated the Board on the Justice Center Wall Art Designs. The survey results were available and discussed by the Board. Chelsea gave a review of what was discussed in the last meeting. The first survey had 170 respondents, and the second survey had 116 respondents. Chelsea explained the process on how the mural would be put together as a community, and what would happen if we were not able to put it all together in the 1-3 days. A temperature of 40F needed for installation.

I move that the Art in Public Places Board select Design #2: "Birds and Big Skies of Los Alamos" by artist J Muzacz, and recommend that County Council approve the purchase of this glass tile mosaic for installation on the south-facing wall of the Justice Center, for a not-to-exceed amount of \$70,000. This amount includes all costs for materials, fabrication, installation, community engagement, plaque, ribbon cutting ceremony and contingency expenses, excluding gross receipts tax (GRT).

Member Buckthorpe - Move, Member Foley - 2nd, Approved 4-1. Chair Haaser, and Members Buckthorpe, Foley and Wright - yes, Vice Chair Stephens - no.
accepted

H. [20453-25](#) Barranca Mesa Homesteaders Art Project Working Group Update

Presenters: Jasmine Stephens and Anna Buckthorpe

Member Buckthorpe updated the Board on the progress of the Homesteaders Art Project Working Group. She wants to broaden the survey to learn what locations the community would want to support for this project. She would also like to contact the people affiliated with the Homesteaders. Vice Chair Stephens suggested looking at the Romero cabin that was in a past master plan. Discussion was had. Further discussion was postponed pending more information.

I. [20454-25](#) Semi Quincentennial Art Competition Working Group Update

Presenters: Tim Foley and Andy Wright

Attachments: [A - Semi Quincentennial Art Competition Project Plan](#)

Member Wright updated the Board on the progress of the art competition. He met with the Step Up Gallery, and got on the calendar for next June or July. A target date of January is wanted for the submissions. A process for submissions is being planned. The general plan is to choose a winner from the submissions, then have the winning art on display for a while, then an offer to procure the chosen piece would be made by APP. Discussion on the process was had. Questions from the Board were answered.

- Mainly 2-D art because of limited space
- Ribbon cutting ceremony and opening of art show costs. Proposed amounts would need to be taken to Council.
- Chelsea Ashcraft explained requirements for the pieces if the County would be purchasing and displaying the art.
- Coming up with themes
- Would like to have approved by Council by September, so the plan needs to be done by August meeting.

J. [20455-25](#) Strategic Plan Working Group Updates

Presenters: Tim Foley, Stephanie Haaser and Chelsea Ashcraft

Chair Haaser updated the Board on the Strategic Plan. She discussed putting out a survey to gauge interest in public art and in maintaining, relocating, or removing pieces of public art. Discussion was had by the Board. Chelsea Ashcraft discussed what the survey looks like so far. She asked the Board if they would test the survey once it is ready.

K. [20456-25](#) Discussion of Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for Leisure Lagoon Art Project by Amanda Jaffee

Presenters: Arts in Public Places Advisory Board

Chelsea Ashcraft updated the Board on the Amanda Jaffee art. Installation will be finished in August, so a September date at around 10am for the ribbon cutting was suggested. Former Chair Theophan will be invited to attend. Saturday, September 20th was a suggested date.

L. [20457-25](#) Pending Items List

Presenters: Arts in Public Places Advisory Board

Oppie/Groves & Pollyanna Plaques Installation by Parks Division

- still pending installation

White Rock Pottery Relocation - On July 29, 2025 Council Agenda to Approve

- on Council agenda for July 29th

Installation of "Fuller Lodge" painting in the front area of the Clerk's Office;

Approved by Council on July 8, 2025; Work Order to facilities placed July 9,

2025 to hang painting

- has been hung in the Clerk's Office

4. **BOARD/STAFF COMMUNICATION**

A. [20458-25](#) Staff Liaison Report

Presenters: Chelsea Ashcraft

Attachments: [A - Picture of Informational Plaque for "Flower of Flight"](#)

Staff Liaison Chelsea Ashcraft provided the Staff Liaison report. Updates were given on the following items.

- "Flower of Flight" plaque was installed

- "Solar Tree" repairs are still in progress

- "Industrial Machine" repairs are complete

B. [20459-25](#) Chairman's Report

Presenters: Stephanie Haaser

Chair Haaser provided the Chairman's report. No updates at this time.

5. **COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS**

Councilor Neal-Clinton provided an update on Council.

- Meetings have been all typed up and reported to Council

- They liked the new process for procuring art

6. **PREVIEW OF NEXT MEETING - August 28, 2025**

- Police Station Art

- "Scales of Justice" relocation - more information is needed about the memorial wall move, and the cost of moving the art

- Semi Quincentennial Art Competition

- Strategic Plan survey discussion

7. **ADJOURNMENT**

Adjourned at 7:02pm.



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Justice Center Wall Art Project

Analysis of Survey Comments by ChatGPT:

- Design 2 is the clear favorite, despite its perceived busyness.
 - People value: Accuracy to Los Alamos’ ecosystem; Visual vibrancy; A stronger emotional and geographic connection
 - A few respondents dislike both designs, preferring simplicity; more modern/minimal art; sculptural or non-mural alternatives

Design 2 - Key Themes

 Positive Themes (dominant):	 Negative Themes:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Better Local Representation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Multiple mentions of deer, bear, mesas, tanager, and cliffs from Anderson Overlook ◦ Viewers recognize real local wildlife and landmarks 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Too Busy / Cluttered: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Described as a “visual cacophony” or “aquarium scape” ◦ Suggestion to reduce number/size of elements (esp. blossoms and birds)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Color Use: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Described as vibrant, colorful, appealing, and more engaging 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Disproportionate or Confusing Imagery: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Large butterfly and flowers, white bird outlines seen as odd ◦ Bear may look like a grizzly (not common here)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Greater Depth and Interest: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Design seen as layered and dynamic, “something new to explore in each glance” 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Artistic Style Concerns: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Some felt it looked like “clipart” or “primary color hell” ◦ Others questioned artist selection (not local)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Emotionally Resonant: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ “Now <i>that’s</i> Los Alamos”; strong feelings of place-based identity 	

Based on **strong language, emotional intensity, and clarity of opinion**:

● Top 3 Most Negative Comments	● Top 3 Most Positive Comments
There are still saguaro cactus featured in the center and far right in light beige. PLEASE, the state of New Mexico does NOT have saguaro cacti! PLEASE do not embarrass Los Alamos County with such an inaccurate, unscientific depiction. We obviously hold science to a high standard here. Just look at the nature center. We'll be the laughingstock of well-educated people, residents and other. PLEASE don't give us another reason to be disappointed in our art in public places.	Love, love, love this one!
I have somehow missed the earlier public comment phase. I am horrified that it has progressed along this stylistic path. It is bad art. But I also understand that I missed the boat and will have to accept this techno-vivid nightmare.	Now that's Los Alamos! Love the deer, the mesa, the bear, etc. To me, this is Los Alamos.
Comment from above stands. The Justice Center is one of our few classy buildings that gets modern NM style right. And then we want to go and do this? Stay in a SW color palette. This looks like primary color clipart hell. Or get the middle school art students to come and do it. That would be the only excuse for something like this.	Design 2 evokes local vibes and seems to be a better composition of elements. It seems more vibrant with the depths of the background... The whole range of colors gives much more depth and gives the eye something new to explore in each glimpse. Well done!

Comments that explicitly mention "**Los Alamos**" from the survey responses, excluding comments about Design 1.

◆ Q2 - Comments about Design 2

10. *"I love how it is more area specific to the **Los Alamos** area."*
11. *"Better representation of northern New Mexico and **Los Alamos**."*
12. *"This is a better reflection of **Los Alamos County** wildlife."*
13. *"Shows wildlife that represents what you see in **Los Alamos**."*
14. *"I feel like the second design better represents **Los Alamos**."*
15. *"Now that's **Los Alamos**! Love the deer, the mesa, the bear, etc. To me, this is **Los Alamos**."*
16. *"I like the bear and deer and all the bird species. The background is more representative of **Los Alamos**."*
17. *"Deer are everywhere in **Los Alamos**."*
18. *"This is **Los Alamos**. Mesa, deer high ground, woodpeckers. Represents what we see every day."*

19. "Represents **Los Alamos** better in choice of critters and pine bough."

◆ Q3 - Design Preference Comments

20. "This is a better reflection of **Los Alamos County** wildlife."

21. "Better representation of **Los Alamos County** than #1, but not perfect."

22. "Design 2 feels more like **Los Alamos** while Design 1 feels more like NM in general."

◆ Q4 - General Comments

23. "Design 2 is much more true to **Los Alamos**! Please pick it."

24. "Both designs represent New Mexico but 2 is specifically the **Los Alamos** aesthetic and wildlife that we see every day."

25. "I think the animals in Design 2 better represent what we see in **Los Alamos**."

26. "Design #2 feels more local/regional to **Los Alamos** and it has a western tanager in it."

27. "Represents more of what can be seen around **Los Alamos County**."

28. "I love the idea of a tile mural. The second design is, by far, a better representation of our life here in **Los Alamos**."

29. "See the cliffs and sky and brings out the colors of our community. The first one is has a background that is too brown." (Implied to be about **Los Alamos** community)

30. "The iconic view from The Hill. And yes, I very much would like this on the justice center wall." (Again, implied **Los Alamos** — "The Hill" is a common local term)

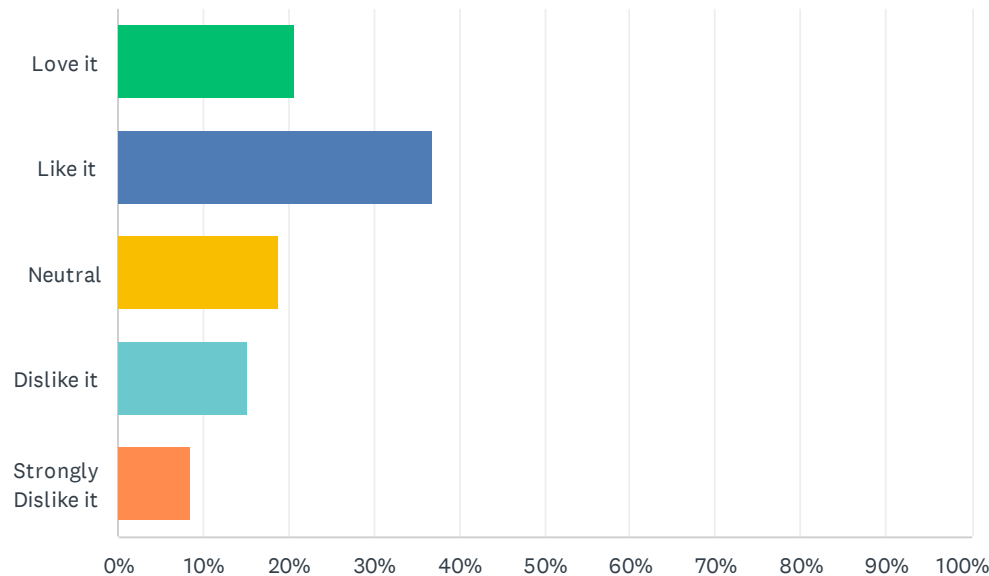
31. "#2 represents our county much better!" (Implied **Los Alamos County**)

32. "#2 is more relevant to local **Los Alamos County** wildlife and has more animals."

33. "#2 represents our county much better!" (Another similar entry)

Q1 How do you feel about Design 1?

Answered: 106 Skipped: 10



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Love it	20.75%	22
Like it	36.79%	39
Neutral	18.87%	20
Dislike it	15.09%	16
Strongly Dislike it	8.49%	9
TOTAL		106

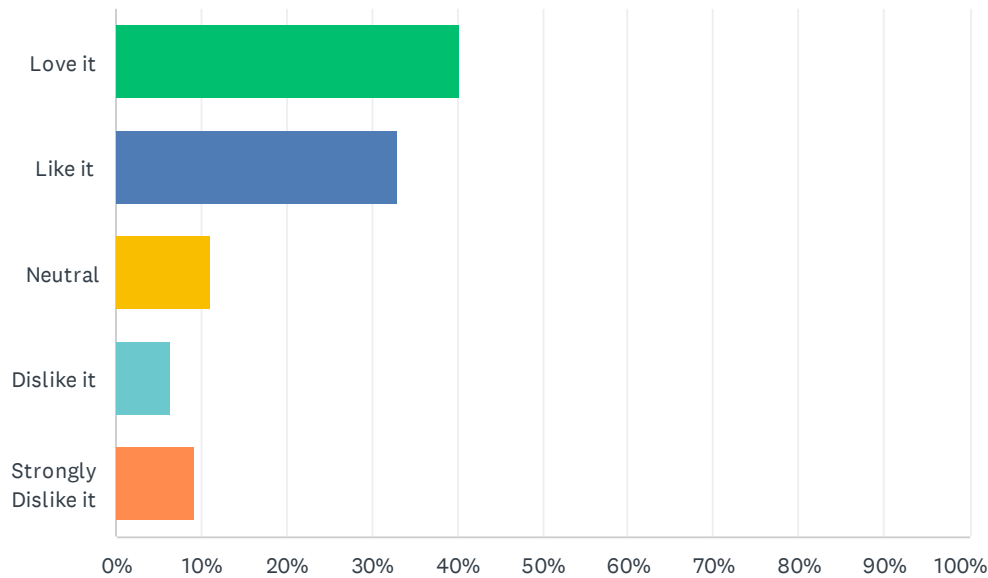
#	ADDITIONAL COMMENTS	DATE
1	Butterfly and roadrunner are disproportionally large.	7/20/2025 8:20 AM
2	The roadrunner is strangely out of scale and too dominant. The apricot blossoms also look out of scale. The background is too abstract and more suggestive of low altitude scrub lands rather than the high mesa pinon/ponderosa that can be found in the heart of Los Alamos.	7/19/2025 12:24 PM
3	Too plain and dont feel road runner is that common in Los Alamos, have seen them in Barranca but lots more in Las Cruces and even ABQ.	7/18/2025 8:40 PM
4	Looks like there is a saguaro cactus in the background? Which does not grow here	7/18/2025 11:13 AM
5	It is tacky. The colors are too bright, Gaudy Garish.	7/15/2025 9:00 AM
6	Unprofessional and not a representation of NM	7/13/2025 10:40 PM
7	I like design #2 much better.	7/13/2025 5:58 PM
8	Not really what I'd call "cultural" references -	7/13/2025 8:54 AM
9	Roadrunners are not common in Los Alamos, and it is brown and dusty in background. Better reflects the valley and great NM, not Los Alamos.	7/13/2025 8:11 AM

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10	Looks to be generic southwest and Sonora desert.	7/12/2025 6:13 PM
11	Colors not vivid enough.	7/12/2025 1:03 PM
12	I like that it's more understated, not too chaotic. Design elements aren't competing with each other. Change the roadrunner to something from our local fauna, and this will be a winner.	7/12/2025 10:22 AM
13	Weird clouds and weird white outlines around some of the birds. Do we have roadrunners in this area? I have seen them around Albuquerque but not here.	7/12/2025 10:04 AM
14	There are road-runners in WR but not in LA	7/12/2025 8:35 AM
15	Doesn't reflect Los Alamos	7/12/2025 6:36 AM
16	don't like the abstract background. roadrunner too large.`	7/12/2025 6:04 AM
17	A bit too reflective of the desert landscape rather than the high desert mountains of LA. Not too many roadrunners in Los Alamos. It seems more reflective of Santa Fe or Albuquerque	7/12/2025 4:55 AM
18	There are still saguaro cactus featured in the center and far right in light beige. PLEASE, the state of New Mexico does NOT have saguaro cacti! PLEASE do not embarrass Los Alamos County with such an inaccurate, unscientific depiction. We obviously hold science to a high standard here. Just look at the nature center. We'll be the laughingstock of well-educated people, residents and other. PLEASE don't give us another reason to be disappointed in our art in public places.	7/11/2025 9:13 PM
19	I like it, but it's kind of a cliché.	7/11/2025 8:35 PM
20	I wouldn't hate it if it was chosen. I love the roadrunner. I don't like all the cacti. To me Los Alamos is more ponderosa pines than cacti	7/11/2025 7:39 PM
21	Roadrunner seems very fitting.	7/11/2025 6:36 PM
22	I don't see it as reflective of Los Alamos. We rarely see a roadrunner and it dominates the scene.	7/11/2025 6:30 PM
23	not very vibrant	7/11/2025 4:54 PM
24	We do not have saguaro cactus in Los Alamos as in the background of this sample!!!	7/11/2025 4:35 PM
25	Presents a clear message	7/11/2025 4:22 PM
26	Roadrunner is not a common bird on this plateau, seen 2 in 30 years. I prefer a little less brown.	7/11/2025 3:35 PM

Q2 How do you feel about Design 2?

Answered: 109 Skipped: 7



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Love it	40.37%	44
Like it	33.03%	36
Neutral	11.01%	12
Dislike it	6.42%	7
Strongly Dislike it	9.17%	10
TOTAL		109

#	ADDITIONAL COMMENTS	DATE
1	Butterfly is disproportionally large.	7/20/2025 8:20 AM
2	The cliff faces (as one sees at Anderson Overlook) aren't as deep red as portrayed, but otherwise this design captures their appearance. The tanager, towhee, raven and mammals can be found here and well-rendered. The general background is much more suggestive of our environment than that shown in design 1, but I'd prefer smaller and fewer apricot blossoms.	7/19/2025 12:24 PM
3	Lots of nature, but wonder if too many items so may be too distracting for drivers going 30-35 mph on Trinity (best for viewing for pedestrians. Walking by or in and out of building.	7/18/2025 8:40 PM
4	Love the picture of the canyon being included and love the antelopehorn milkweed	7/18/2025 11:13 AM
5	I love how it is more area specific to the Los Alamos area	7/16/2025 6:54 PM
6	Comment from above stands. The Justice Center is one of our few classy buildings that gets modern NM style right. And then we want to go and do this? Stay in a SW color palette. This looks like primary color clipart hell. Or get the middle school art students to come and do it. That would be the only excuse for something like this.	7/15/2025 9:00 AM
7	Not representative of NM	7/13/2025 10:40 PM

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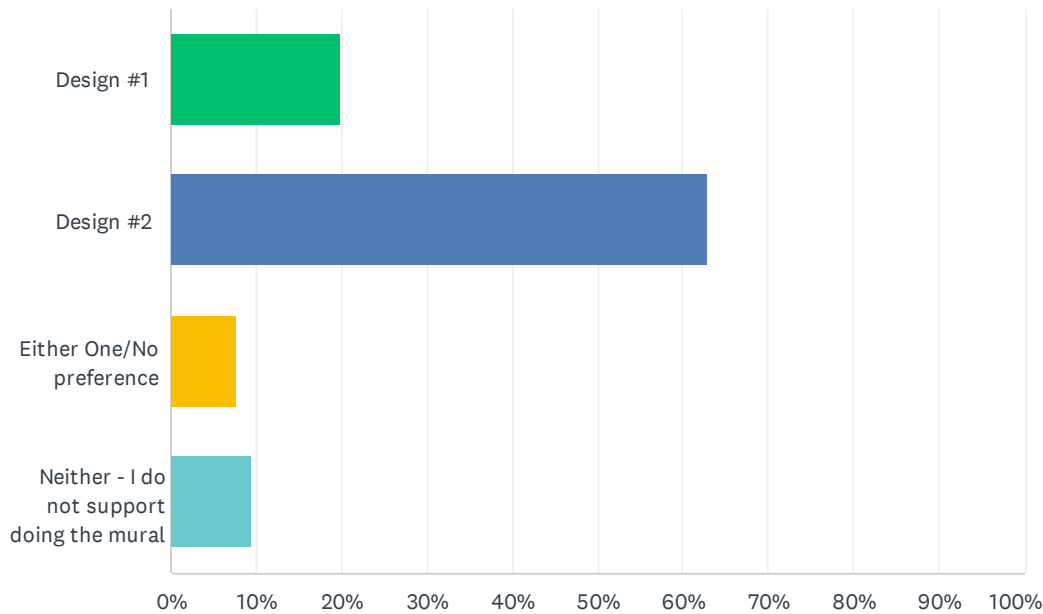
8	Its too busy	7/13/2025 9:18 PM
9	Love, love, love this one!	7/13/2025 5:58 PM
10	I wish more of the valley view was showing but I like that this one is more colorful and contains at least some representation of our amazing view across the Rio Grande valley.	7/13/2025 8:54 AM
11	Pretty colors and love the emphasis on birds, flowers, deer and one of our beautiful cliffs in the background.	7/13/2025 8:11 AM
12	Design 2 evokes local vibes and seems to be a better composition of elements. It seems more vibrant with the depths of the background which I hope is not just a variation in sky colors but is the view of the plateaus seen looking west on NM 502 on the hills around El Rancho in the late afternoon or early evening. The whole range of colors gives much more depth and gives the eye something new to explore in each glimpse. Well done!	7/12/2025 10:09 PM
13	Better representation of northern New Mexico and Los Alamos.	7/12/2025 6:13 PM
14	What happened to the road runner?	7/12/2025 6:02 PM
15	Love the variety of plants and animals. Much more vivid and interesting than 1. The western tanager is awesome. Yes please!!!!	7/12/2025 1:03 PM
16	Too much going on, and the scales and colors of the different elements seem to clash. There's nowhere for my eyes to rest. The elements are individually cool (tanager, pinon, mesas, raven, bear...), but the combination is visual cacaphony.	7/12/2025 10:22 AM
17	Why are there white outlines around the flying birds. That looks weird and distracts from the rest of the artwork.	7/12/2025 10:04 AM
18	Love the wildlife represented in this version.	7/12/2025 9:19 AM
19	Perhaps a different artist	7/12/2025 8:51 AM
20	This is a better reflection of Los Alamos County wildlife.	7/12/2025 8:35 AM
21	Shows wildlife that represents what you see in Los Alamos	7/12/2025 6:36 AM
22	I feel like the second design better represents Los Alamos.	7/12/2025 6:11 AM
23	more colorful, balanced. love realistic background.	7/12/2025 6:04 AM
24	Now that's Los Alamos! Love the deer, the mesa, the bear, etc. To me, this is Los Alamos.	7/12/2025 4:55 AM
25	This is a much better design than before. At least its components are more relevant to Los Alamos County than #1. -- I still don't understand why an Austin, TX artist was selected, who is neither local nor regional, as put forth in the APP mission statement. There are local artists who could do something similar in mosaic tile, if not in Los Alamos, in Santa Fe or Albuquerque. This makes the public think this is a sweetheart deal of some sort. I'd suggest that APP be more attentive to its mission statement. Mid-to-high five-figure expenses of public money require accountability to taxpayers.	7/11/2025 9:13 PM
26	Too busy	7/11/2025 9:08 PM
27	I like this one best, but I can't see the bear. It sort of looks like a grizzly, not the black bears marauding our trash. Can she fix the bear to ensure it doesn't look like a grizzly? Of course the iconic view of our canyon is what I especially like about this one.	7/11/2025 8:35 PM
28	I like the bear and deer and all the bird species. The background is more representative of Los Alamos.	7/11/2025 7:39 PM
29	Deer are everywhere in Los Alamos.	7/11/2025 6:36 PM
30	This is Los Alamos. Mesa, deer high ground, woodpeckers. Represents what we see every day. Thanks for the survey.	7/11/2025 6:30 PM
31	Looks like an aquarium scape	7/11/2025 6:28 PM
32	This one feels too busy. A collage of the animals sounds great in theory but this representation comes across very cluttered.	7/11/2025 5:51 PM
33	much more colorful	7/11/2025 4:54 PM

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34	Would be better if the middle birds and flowers were downsized a little. They are good and shouldn't be downplayed because they are disproportionate and distracting to the overall feeling.	7/11/2025 4:22 PM
35	Represents Los Alamos better in choice of critters and pine bough.	7/11/2025 3:35 PM

Q3 If one mural design had to be chosen, which would you prefer?

Answered: 116 Skipped: 0



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Design #1	19.83%	23
Design #2	62.93%	73
Either One/No preference	7.76%	9
Neither - I do not support doing the mural	9.48%	11
TOTAL		116

#	ADDITIONAL COMMENTS	DATE
1	Not a fan of either, but Design #2 is preferable.	7/20/2025 8:20 AM
2	I would eliminate a few of the apricot blossoms from design 2 and fill in the space with more mountain and sky views as seen to the left above the cliff faces. The blossoms almost look like plumeria blossoms found in Hawaii and other tropical places. Try to scale them back perhaps.	7/19/2025 12:24 PM
3	Need something more modern on that building. And non distractive to traffic. Something calming.	7/18/2025 8:40 PM
4	More of the wildlife and mesas that are here.	7/17/2025 9:24 PM
5	It has a more pleasing color palette to look at	7/15/2025 6:39 PM
6	I like them both equally	7/15/2025 3:48 PM
7	I do support a mural but one more of a landscape of NM. This state and certainly around LA is breathtaking. Both of these are blah	7/13/2025 10:40 PM
8	As long as the mural is touched up when needed, I'm all for it.	7/13/2025 5:58 PM

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9	No Saguaro around here.	7/12/2025 6:13 PM
10	This one is more colorful and not dominated by a Road Runner bird.	7/12/2025 4:29 PM
11	I'd think design number two would be perfect if you took out the deer and added in the roadrunner head from design one.	7/12/2025 12:57 PM
12	Despite my reservations about the busyness of #2, the roadrunner rubs me the wrong way.	7/12/2025 10:22 AM
13	Depicts more of wildlife and scenery from area.	7/12/2025 9:19 AM
14	The relative size of all the images make for an ugly jumble of subjects. The artist obviously has not studied the vegetation here. I suggest less cactus, more Piñon and Ponderosa, more wild flowers, more canyon and mountain, smaller birds, etc, i	7/12/2025 8:51 AM
15	This is a better reflection of Los Alamos County wildlife.	7/12/2025 8:35 AM
16	This design is beautiful and shows a lot of what is in and around Los Alamos.	7/12/2025 4:55 AM
17	They both are great expressions of our local wildlife!	7/11/2025 10:33 PM
18	Too bright mixed colors	7/11/2025 9:29 PM
19	Better representation of Los Alamos County than #1, but not perfect.	7/11/2025 9:13 PM
20	Design #2 is too busy	7/11/2025 6:35 PM
21	I'd love to see murals all over town	7/11/2025 6:30 PM
22	Leave the ugly injustice center alone. You screwed it up enough already.	7/11/2025 6:28 PM
23	If no changes to either one were done	7/11/2025 4:22 PM
24	I like the mural, I don't like the price.	7/11/2025 2:12 PM

Q4 Why do you feel this way and/or any additional Comments.(Optional)

Answered: 58 Skipped: 58

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Not a fan of ANY artwork at this location. Like the plain stucco wall. Prefer sculptures at Ashley Pond and other locations.	7/20/2025 8:20 AM
2	Reflects local ecology. Like the background which includes mesas & mountains viewed from Anderson Overlook.	7/19/2025 12:28 PM
3	Design 1 is much less appealing and seems to be suggestive of lower altitude flora, fauna and general environment. The roadrunner is almost menacing in its out sized dominance.	7/19/2025 12:24 PM
4	There is too much going on in Design 2. The three bird species next to each other are too much, and their size in relation to the bear makes the bear seem like an afterthought.	7/19/2025 6:23 AM
5	Don't want an accident due to distraction to drivers or bicyclists due to a busy colorful piece public art. I really like the very earlier triptych the sturdy iron structure moved to WR. It symbolized strength and power of the Judicial building. I served 8 years on the Art in Public Place in 1980's before the Judicial building built.	7/18/2025 8:40 PM
6	It represents New Mexico Better	7/18/2025 7:36 PM
7	Design 2 is much more true to Los Alamos! Please pick it	7/18/2025 11:13 AM
8	both designs represent new mexico but 2 is specifically the los alamos aesthetic and wildlife that we see everyday	7/17/2025 1:31 PM
9	None	7/17/2025 1:28 PM
10	I think the second design looks better	7/17/2025 1:27 PM
11	This is an awesome idea. It would be cool if we could incorporate teens into either its creation or other pieces of public art around town.	7/16/2025 6:54 PM
12	More mellow choice of colors	7/15/2025 6:39 PM
13	They're both pretty but I like the simplicity and colors of the first design compared to the second which feels a bit overwhelming.	7/15/2025 5:55 PM
14	Better mural. Better animals and design	7/15/2025 3:40 PM
15	Not doing this option	7/15/2025 3:33 PM
16	I have somehow missed the earlier public comment phase. I am horrified that it has progressed along this stylistic path. It is bad art. But I also understand that I missed the boat and will have to accept this techno-vivid nightmare.	7/15/2025 9:00 AM
17	I think the animals in Design 2 better represent what we see in Los Alamos.	7/14/2025 10:00 PM
18	Already made comments. I really dislike both of these	7/13/2025 10:40 PM
19	No one wants to see a peeling or washed out mural.	7/13/2025 5:58 PM
20	Design 2 is more vibrant in color and features the mountains in the background. Design 1 has no mountains and too much brown grass and empty space. Design 2 is much more appealing and features more animals.	7/13/2025 7:57 AM
21	I love the colors especially the bright blue and true flora and fauna of Los Alamos!	7/13/2025 6:12 AM
22	It's not too busy, not too bold, it's just right.	7/12/2025 9:42 PM
23	I don't particularly love any of the designs that have been presented.	7/12/2025 8:38 PM
24	Design 2 feels more like Los Alamos while Design 1 feels more like NM in general.	7/12/2025 7:52 PM

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25	design 2 includes animals, birds, insects and the local landscapes. The flowers seem too large and too important.	7/12/2025 6:02 PM
26	The 2nd one shows the cliffs and sky and brings out the colors of our community. The first one is has a background that is too brown.	7/12/2025 4:29 PM
27	Highlights more of animals actually seen in LAC	7/12/2025 2:35 PM
28	See above	7/12/2025 1:03 PM
29	Not a necessary expenditure.	7/12/2025 10:04 AM
30	The images are more interesting.	7/12/2025 9:44 AM
31	Whatever is painted there, please remember it is going to get a ton of sun exposure. Many will be disappointed if it becomes a faded, peeling disaster. Also, make plans/preparations for dealing with graffiti, this town ain't what it use to be.	7/12/2025 9:04 AM
32	#2 is a better reflection of Los Alamos County wildlife.	7/12/2025 8:35 AM
33	Add the road runner anywhere into design two, and it's perfect!	7/12/2025 8:27 AM
34	Design #2 feels more local/regional to Los Alamos and it has a western tanager in it.	7/12/2025 8:13 AM
35		7/12/2025 7:43 AM
36	vibrant and many points of interest	7/12/2025 7:29 AM
37	Represents more of what can be seen around Los Alamos County	7/12/2025 6:36 AM
38	I love the idea of a tile mural. The second design is, by far, a better representation of our life here in Los Alamos.	7/12/2025 6:11 AM
39	At this point, the brown vs blue background. The images on both are stunning!	7/11/2025 10:33 PM
40	Comments in Question #2.	7/11/2025 9:13 PM
41	I love the roadrunner but feel the bears and deers are more local	7/11/2025 9:01 PM
42	Represents Animals also	7/11/2025 9:00 PM
43	The iconic view from The Hill. And yes, I very much would like this on the justice center wall.	7/11/2025 8:35 PM
44	I like the bear and the deer in design #2 and feel it better reflects Los Alamos than the big butterfly	7/11/2025 8:03 PM
45	More local nature	7/11/2025 6:41 PM
46	I'm an artist, support other artists, feel that the public needs art in their lives	7/11/2025 6:30 PM
47	See the previous comment	7/11/2025 6:28 PM
48	2 is more relevant to local Los Alamos County wildlife and has more animals	7/11/2025 6:27 PM
49	#2 is more colorful and include more of the iconic wildlife of our area.	7/11/2025 6:15 PM
50	More colorful	7/11/2025 6:01 PM
51	The first one feels delicate, easily flowing into the rest of the piece, and isn't visually cluttered.	7/11/2025 5:51 PM
52	Both capture well the culture and outdoor community	7/11/2025 5:23 PM
53	Better overall presentation that flows in its entirety	7/11/2025 4:22 PM
54	That's a lot of money that can be used for something else. Like new pavement on state rd 4	7/11/2025 4:12 PM
55	Because these are ridiculous and the county can't even keep the weeds down now, why paint it if it will be blocked by weeds ?	7/11/2025 3:38 PM
56	#2 represents our county much better!	7/11/2025 3:35 PM
57	Option 1 feels more artistic and visually less busy than the option 2	7/11/2025 1:50 PM
58	The new design has great elements.	7/11/2025 1:12 PM

Q5 How would you rate the clarity and relevance of this survey?(1 = poor and confusing; 5= clear and meaningful)

Answered: 95 Skipped: 21

4.4 
average rating



	POOR AND CONFUSING	(NO LABEL)	(NO LABEL)	(NO LABEL)	CLEAR AND MEANINGFUL	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
	3.16% 3	2.11% 2	8.42% 8	27.37% 26	58.95% 56	95	4.37

#	OPTIONAL COMMENT: (LET US KNOW HOW WE CAN IMPROVE FUTURE SURVEYS.)	DATE
1	5	7/20/2025 8:20 AM
2	Not sure if, by clicking the "OK" button, one votes for that image or not. I definitely prefer design 2.	7/19/2025 12:24 PM
3	Allow us to compare the mural designs side by side in order to have an easier time deciding which we prefer.	7/15/2025 3:33 PM
4	5	7/12/2025 8:38 PM
5	Why did the OK box pop up all the time? The diagonal lines crossing the page were distracting and unnecessary.	7/12/2025 4:29 PM
6	5 except for how to respond to question #5. If screen is enlarged, the 5th thumb up isn't visible.	7/12/2025 10:04 AM
7	Better resolution in photography of art under consideration.	7/11/2025 9:13 PM
8	None	7/11/2025 9:00 PM
9	It's fine.	7/11/2025 8:35 PM
10	Show mockup of the mural in the designated space, street view	7/11/2025 6:30 PM
11	Keeping up the good work	7/11/2025 4:22 PM
12	County and their surveys is exhausting. Quit spending money on creating surveys	7/11/2025 3:38 PM
13	5	7/11/2025 3:35 PM