



County of Los Alamos

Council Meeting Staff Report

January 27, 2022

Agenda No.: I.
Indexes (Council Goals):
Presenters: Katherine Hudspeth; Jennifer Baker
Legislative File: 15381-22

Title

Los Alamos Little Theater Boiler

Recommended Action

I move that the APP Board consider adding the Little Theater Boiler into the Los Alamos County Public Art Collection and determine an appropriate space for the piece.

Body

The Los Alamos Little Theater has an old boiler that is original to the building and is no longer functioning. The boiler was originally coal burning, then in the 1950's it was converted to natural gas, which was inefficient, considering the building was heated by steam. The boiler was also connected to steam pipes that ran underground to heat a nearby shopping center downtown. Considering that the boiler has not been used in many years and is taking up space, several comments have been made that the boiler would make an interesting industrial art piece. Therefore, it has been brought to the APP Board for consideration. Additional information on the boiler is provided in the attachment.

At the Dec. 2021 meeting the APP Board agreed to consider adding the Little Theater Boiler to the Los Alamos County Art Collection, however wanted to see the piece in person before any further action is taken, to see what kind of piece this physically looks like and if any additional display ideas could be considered.

A viewing of the boiler was scheduled on Jan 14th, with Jenn Baker, Abigayle Cutting-Smith, Katherine Hudspeth, Sara Rhoton, and the Little Theater project architect.

Attachments

A - Boiler Info and Pictures