



Memorials Installed on Capitola Wharf

JUNE 22, 2023

Background

Memorials have been installed on Capitola Wharf for decades.

- 145 plaques on Wharf railing
- 39 plaques on benches

Post-January 2023 storm:

- 20+ plaques lost
- Wharf Resiliency and Public Access Improvement Project kicking off this Fall

Background

On April 27, three options were presented to Council:

1. Place all plaques on an artistic memorial structure on the Wharf
2. Re-Install memorial plaques along the new Wharf Railing
3. Remove all plaques and return them to owners

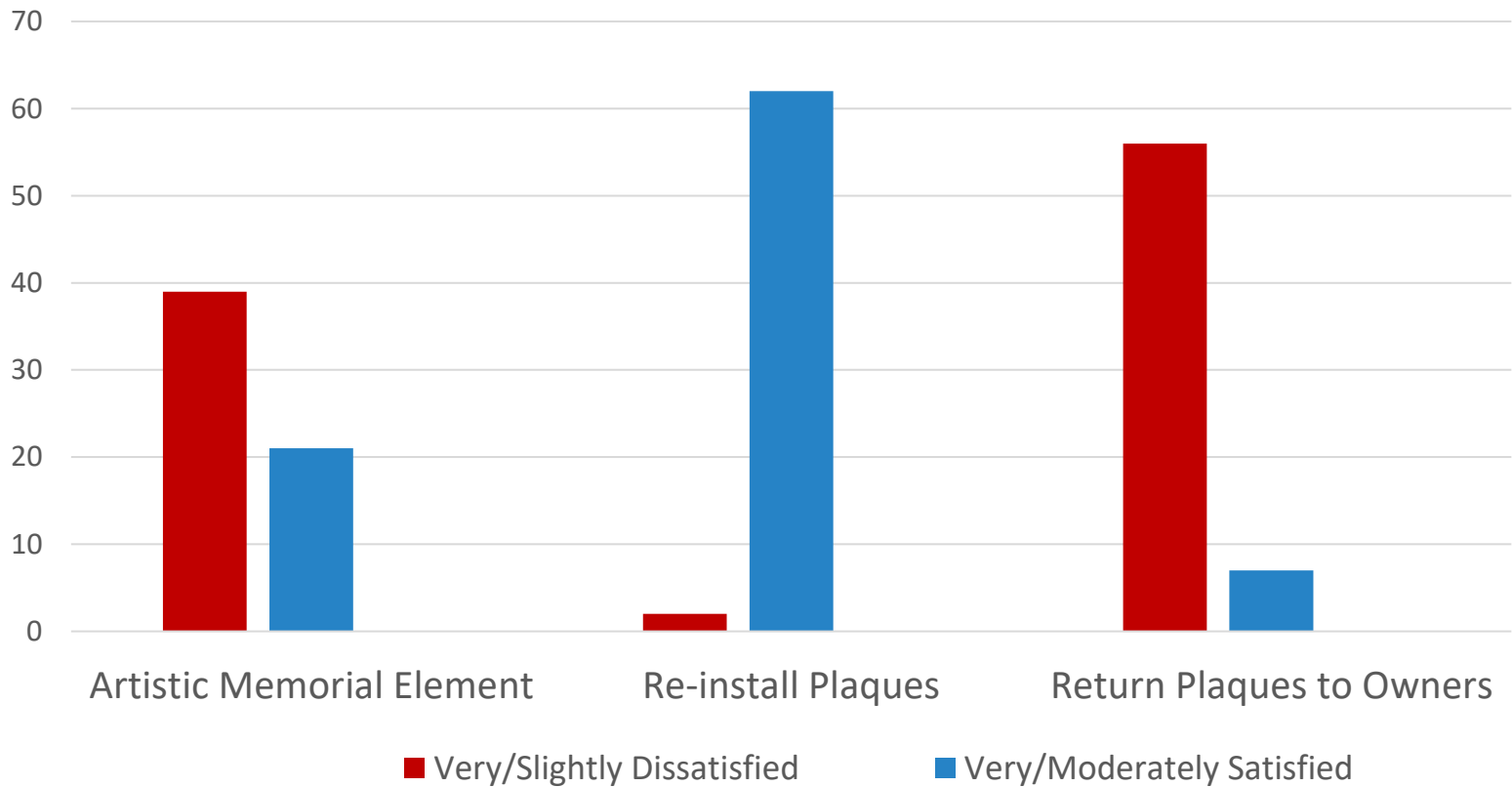
Council requested staff survey community and plaque owners and return to Council for direction

Survey

- Online survey open from May 5 – June 21
- Promoted in newsletter, social media, emailed directly to plaque enquirers, on website
- 70 responses
- 65% of responders indicated that they own a plaque

Survey Results

How Satisfied would you be with the following Options?



Option Details

ARTISTIC MEMORIAL ELEMENT

- Memorial element would be included in Capitola Wharf Enhancement Project
- Estimated cost = \$30,000
- Council would have approval over proposed RRM design

RE-INSTALL ALL PLAQUES

- Would be included in Capitola Wharf Resiliency and Public Access Project
- Estimated cost = \$22,000
- Significant staff time to re-install
- Future time and costs to maintain
- Staff recommends establishing a timeframe for guaranteed maintenance

Determine Plan for Plaques

- Direct staff to re-install all memorial plaques, and consider establishing timeline for guaranteed maintenance

Or

- Direct staff to include a memorial design element on the Wharf that incorporates all plaques