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**From:** Lori Fenn <lorifenn@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, December 19, 2022 9:21 AM  
**To:** Participate  
**Cc:** info@flatblakgallery.com  
**Subject:** Ketchum Arts Commission Project Budgets

In response to the art in Ketchum City Hall Project:

I am new to the art scene here but came from Phoenix, AZ where i was involved in art shows and projects. I have had a mural project pulled from me once before when at the last minute the city wanted to go another direction. This was after putting in numerous hours of designing and lining up supplies and help. We all know that plans change and budgets get allocated to other areas but I don't think the artists time and effort gets enough credit in these situations. Yes, it's nice to be considered and noticed for your work but when something is given the go ahead and then pulled, it can put a strain on the artists productivity and sometimes even their financial situation. I do know that art is a huge thing for this valley and the artists who are represented and work hard to make this beautiful place even more so should be given their due respect for the time and effort that is put into submissions as well as planning approved projects. Please reconsider your decision for this project as no one remembers a blank wall but art has the power to move and inspire people for a lifetime.

Thank you,  
Lori Fenn

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**From:** Christine N Cole <tinamatt@mac.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, December 19, 2022 12:11 AM  
**To:** Participate  
**Subject:** Letter for Ketchum City Council Meeting, Monday, December 19, 4:00 PM

Please read this letter into the public record as public comment for the Ketchum Arts Commission segment of the meeting.

Dear Ketchum City Council,

It has come to my attention that the City of Ketchum set a budget for art in the new City Hall and worked with the Ketchum Arts Commission. A submission call for artists work went out, a jury selected two pieces for the designated locations and the pieces were to be installed with the City Council's final approval for official placement. Unfortunately, the Council decided to put the project on hold and suggested allocating the budget to another location never explored or discussed with the previous monetary budgeting. It was a full change direction in what the Ketchum Arts Commission had worked towards with the compliance of the City Council. This is highly irregular protocol in an arts project to switch horses completely after a call to artists for submissions has been sent out and then juried. I strongly urge the Ketchum City Council to uphold their plans, budgets and agreements with the Ketchum Arts Commission on their determined city art projects.

If the Council feels they should have public art in different locations then that would be an entirely different campaign and budget with different criteria for the submission call out to artists.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Christine N Cole

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Dear Councilmembers,

The Ketchum Arts Commission is proud and honored to have entrusted by the City Council with the responsibility to integrate arts and culture into the community's life. This is a responsibility we take seriously as we strive to provide leadership and expertise to the city for the purpose of integrating and acquiring art for public enjoyment, education, and community bonding.

With the recent move of the Ketchum City Hall to its new location, the Commission was honored to be asked to select art for the new building to be part of the city's permanent art collection. We went through a months long call, jury, and selection process to choose permanent pieces for the City Hall, following the required protocol. Through this blind process, two pieces of art which we judged to be worthy of the city's permanent collection, were selected by the commission. We were especially pleased with the choice when we learned that these pieces were created by two local artists.

We understand the City Council's diligent focus on fiscal responsibility, and look forward to communicating more closely with future projects involving the Percent for Arts Budget. In the meantime, we respectfully request that Council to reconsider its decision to pause the Art in City Hall project, and proceed with Commission's recommendation to acquire this artwork for the city's permanent art collection for display in the Ketchum City Hall.

The members of the Ketchum Arts Commission are currently developing its strategic plan for 2023, establishing our priorities and potential projects for the next year. We look forward to sharing these with the Council in the near future, when we will welcome your feedback and input so our goals and projects are mutually aligned.

Thank you, we are grateful for the council's time and consideration.

Ketchum Arts Commission

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**From:** Cara Shumate <carashumate@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, December 19, 2022 1:02 PM  
**To:** Participate  
**Cc:** John Broschofsky  
**Subject:** City Hall Meeting Tonight

Dear City Council,

I am writing on behalf of not being able to attend tonight's meeting. I was shocked when I learned from the newspaper that Rudi Broschofsky's piece had been pulled from the Art in City Hall project. The funds had already been allocated for this project and Rudi had gone through all the necessary steps of the process to be chosen as one of the two artists who would show at the City Hall. To then reallocate funds elsewhere at this stage is both illogical and inconsiderate to the artists. It takes a lot of time and effort to apply for these CFAs and when booked, they are relying on those funds to pull through. These art projects that the KAC put on are what make our community shine. Please reconsider taking this project away and continue the project as originally planned.

Thank you for your time,  
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