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# Coloma Hwy 49 proposed art project.

1 message

Angie <a64620@gmail.com> To: edc.cob@edcgov.us Thu, May 14, 2020 at 5:48 PM

What other art proposals are there to choose from? The current proposed art piece is: too large, doesn't seem as though it's timeless in nature as there seems to be quite a lot going on, i.e. too busy. And the materials are rather pedestrian. Please say there is something else to choose from?

Angela Scrivano Resident of Lotus

Sent from my iPhone



# Coloma retaining wall artwork

1 message

Phil Odion <flydeluxe@hotmail.com>
To: "edc.cob@edcgov.us" <edc.cob@edcgov.us>

Thu, May 14, 2020 at 10:29 PM

The proposed artwork looks to be modern art which would completely clash with the existing appearance of the historic town of Coloma. Having the history it shares with the gold rush, couldn't something be designed more with the history of the area in mind?

Thank You,

Phil Odion

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# artwork on why 49 retaining wall

1 message

Courtney Laird <a href="mailto:croot@gmail.com">croot@gmail.com</a>
To: edc.cob@edcgov.us

Fri, May 15, 2020 at 8:22 AM

HI there I live in Lotus and walk, bike or drive by that wall often. I love the artwork proposal and really hope it happens! Good work to all and thank you.

Courtney Laird



#### Art work on Coloma wall

1 message

**Bev Ludiow** <bev@bevludlow.com> To: edc.cob@edcgov.us

Thu, May 14, 2020 at 5:04 PM

This is the first I've heard of this, and the first I've seen the drawing. While certainly creative, it appears to me to be rather frightening; almost like someone's interpretation of a scary dream. Am I missing some symbolism that isn't clear?

With the huge, and diverse, artistic community in El Dorado County, I think the committees must not have received much input from the community at large, or from artists outside of the SoFar group. I'm afraid this will end up being the kind of public art where, after the fact, people say, "Really, that's the best they had?" Is it too late for SoFar to re-evaluate? It really does appear threatening.

Bev Anderson





## Response to Board Item on Coloma/HWY 49 Art

1 message

Chris Caines <chrisscaines@gmail.com>
To: edc.cob@edcgov.us

Fri, May 15, 2020 at 10:17 AM

Firstly. What is the point of the art project? The retaining wall is tasteful and appropriate for the area. Less is more. There is zero point to calling attention to this intersection.

Coloma/Lotus area is beautifully simple in nature. Billboards and art projects are obviously out of place in this area.

In addition, graffiti is already showing up on our brand new retaining wall. I fear the vandals will set their sights on an expensive metal art project that screams to be climbed on or vandalized.

It seems this project has just popped up with no voting input from tax paying residents of Coloma and Lotus area.

I say keep the area simple. This project speaks to know one but the artists that created it. It does not blend in or tell a story that represents the area and its residents.

Regards,

Chris Caines Lotus resident



### Art work on wall in Coloma

1 message

Kolsoum Ginney <jginney@gmail.com> To: edc.cob@edcgov.us Fri, May 15, 2020 at 11:22 AM

I love this piece of metal art and I think our community needs it, especially now. I have live in this community for 31 years. Kolsoum Ginney
Sent from my iPhone



# Lotus metal sculpture 49/Lotus rd

1 message

**Elizabeth Gifford** <graceberreyesa@icloud.com> To: edc.cob@edcgov.us

Fri, May 15, 2020 at 12:55 PM

I am absolutely against this idea. Who comes up with these things?

Sent from my iPhone



## Art on wall - I am for it

1 message

**Liz Carr** < lizschuler@sbcglobal.net> To: edc.cob@edcgov.us

Fri, May 15, 2020 at 2:06 PM

Hi Lori

I wanted to express to you and the board that I am for the art project to be placed at 49 & Lotus road.

There has been several meeting at least 7 or 8 were all of the community was invited to come to. And always in the evening so folks could come after work.

It was even presented in July 2018 at the bridgefest party at earthtrek.

Folks have had plenty of opportunities to express their concerns up to now.

Anyway thank you Liz

Sent from my iPhone - Please pardon any typos



#### Re: Hwy 49 project

1 message

BOS Four <br/>
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Fri, May 15, 2020 at 2:46 PM

To: Greg Jorgensen <jorgensen g@yahoo.com>

Cc: EDC COB <edc.cob@edcgov.us>

Thank you for your comment, Greg. I have copied the Clerk of the Board so that your comment is distributed to the full Board and becomes a part of the public record.

Sincerely, Shelley Wiley

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On Fri, May 15, 2020 at 1:42 PM 'Greg Jorgensen' via BS-BOSFour-m <bosfour@edcgov.us> wrote:

Dear Lori.

I understand that you are seeking input for the art project.

I've been following it since it's inception.

The committee was formed with the goal of making an art project. The community was not involved with a decision to have an art project. The decision was made by a few and then they asked for community input. Input that was against the project was ignored.

I questioned this strategy and was ignored.

As far as I can tell this was only advertised on CLNews. I also questioned if other avenues were utilized to contact and inform the rest of the community. My question was never addressed. Many people are not on CLNews. To be inclusive means to include. Even those opinions against the project.

There has been an almost lack of community involvement and communication about this project over the last 2-3 years. Poor communication for somethings that has been billed as a community art project. My requests for increased communication with the community have been ignored. How can it be a community project if the community is not kept informed.

I also suggested that the community could be involved in some aspect of the project. For example, individual community members could paint a tile to be used in a larger mural. Ignored.

Anyway. The project is ugly. Invasive. Super huge. Way out of place.

Sent from my iPhone



#### Coloma Lotus Art on retaining wall

**Lotus** <lotusrobinson@gmail.com> To: edc.cob@edcgov.us

Fri, May 15, 2020 at 3:21 PM

Hi Lori,

I know you have much larger issues to worry about at this time. I will quickly state that I think the projected Retaining Wall art structure to be displayed is not only tacky but does not represent our valley. I was unaware of a meeting and a vote, I hope you or the committee will reconsider. I'd be interested in cost, who the artist is and where funds will come from.

Thank you, Noel Robinson Lotus resident