RESOLUTION NO. 18-004

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SARATOGA AMENDING THE PUBLIC ART POLICY

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Saratoga adopted Resolution 03-026 establishing the Saratoga Public Art Policy; and

WHEREAS, this policy was superseded by Resolution 16-028, which declared that placement of public art on City property by the City of Saratoga shall be approved by majority vote of the City Council on a case-by-case basis; and

WHEREAS, since adoption of Resolution 16-028, the City Council has formed the Public Art Committee, which is comprised of two City Council Members and provides the City Council with recommendations on programs that foster arts and culture in Saratoga for the enrichment and appreciation of the City and its citizens; and

WHEREAS, with the formation of the Pubic Art Committee and an increasing interest in public art, some of the responsibility regarding placement of public art can be delegated to the Public Art Committee; and

WHEREAS, the Public Art Committee hereby is authorized to approve installation of artwork and exhibits on City property that meet the following criteria:

- Artwork/exhibits do not impede typical uses of the site where they are proposed to be installed
- Artwork/exhibits are appropriate in scale, media, and context with the intended display location
- Artwork/exhibits do not contain political statements or symbols, religious reference
 or symbols, profane or offensive content, graffiti-like style artwork, copyrighted or
 trademarked material, or corporate or organizational references, branding, or symbols
- Artwork/exhibits are suitable for display to a diverse audience, including children, and should help create a sense of place and community
- There is evidence of community support for the artwork/exhibit
- Artwork/exhibits installed outdoors is be able to withstand an outdoor environment through the public display period
- Artwork/exhibits do not pose a threat to public safety
- Any costs associated with artwork/exhibits, such as a lease or installation expenses, can be accounted for within the Public Art Budget approved by the City Council
- Artwork/exhibits will be displayed for a period of 3 years or less

WHEREAS, placement of public art or exhibits on City property by the City of Saratoga that do not fall within the discretion of the Public Art Committee shall be reviewed by the Public Art Committee and, at the recommendation of the Public Art Committee, be considered for approval by the City Council by majority vote on a case-by-case basis; and

WHEREAS, this resolution shall replace and supersede all prior resolutions, policies, and understandings relating to the Public Art Policy.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Saratoga hereby grants the Public Art Committee with the discretion to approve placement of public art and exhibits based on the above criteria and any pieces of public art or exhibits that fall outside the discretion of the Public Art Committee will be reviewed by the Public Art Committee and if recommended for approval by the Public Art Committee, considered by the City Council by majority vote on a case-by-case basis.

The above and foregoing resolution was passed and adopted at a regular meeting of the Saratoga City Council held on the 21st day of February 2018 by the following vote:

AYES:

Mayor Mary-Lynne Bernald, Vice Mayor E. Manny Cappello, Council Members

Howard A. Miller, Emily Lo, Rishi Kumar

NOES:

ABSENT: **ABSTAIN:**

Mary Lynne Bernald, Mayor

Nora Pimentel, MMC

DATE:

City Clerk