

Las Cruces City Hall Site Information

The commissioned artwork will engage the public and the staff at City Hall and should reflect the architectural setting, the purposes of the building, and the City of Las Cruces. Finalists will be encouraged to submit vibrant and dynamic designs inspired by our local environment, history and cultures. The City Art Board seeks artwork that is large enough in scale and scope to provide a focal point and to create appreciation of the space.



The location is a pillar in the lobby of City Hall. The art selected will be the centerpiece of city government. The artwork can be made of a single or a mixed media which must be durable, long-lasting (life of the building), safe and low maintenance. The artwork can be kinetic or static, 2D and/or 3D, and should include all four sides of the pillar. The artwork should meet the following environmentally safe criteria: UV/sun resistant, non-outgassing, non-toxic, non-glare, no blinking lights, no distracting sounds, and no water.

The location for this art is a two-story pillar which is rectangular in shape and supports a coved ceiling over clerestory windows. The lobby includes an overlooking balcony and two large windowed entrances to the east and west.

The City Hall lobby is central to the building, and it is the first interaction visitors have upon entering. The Information Desk is located directly in front of the north face of the pillar; the City Council Chamber is to the west; City Clerk to the south; and the hallway leading to the Utilities Department is east of the pillar.

The wall that forms a pillar in the center of the atrium is approximately 10 feet across, 2 feet thick and 22 feet high. The pillar is used as a backdrop for the information desk, and no artwork can be placed below 12 feet from the floor. The artwork should not weigh more than the capacity for a normally structured interior wall at its anchor points. Depending on design, attachments can be placed on the cross beams in the ceiling and must stay at least 4 feet from existing ceiling sprinklers. The selected artwork design is subject to Facilities Department approval for public safety and effect on the architectural integrity of the building.

