## Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] Re: The City of Santa Rosa Art in Public Places Committee Update

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## Tara,

It is wonderful that the sculpture in Courthouse Square is moving closer to reality. I take great pride in having participated in initial meetings for this sculpture that will undoubtably prove to be an important community resource and will promote a great sense of local pride. I feel that all Santa Rosa residents should feel represented and included in the sculpture's design.

I reviewed the list of words and languages submitted for inclusion in the Unum sculpture recommended for approval by the Art in Public Places Committee on January 10.

I regret that Hebrew was not listed as a recommended language. Although we may have a small population of native, conversational Hebrew speakers among our Santa Rosa residents, Hebrew is the language of Judaism and as such, is spoken on a regular daily and weekly basis in the homes of Jewish residents and in our three Santa Rosa synagogues: Shomrei Torah, Beth Ami and Chabad. I believe our combined Santa Rosa synagogue membership numbers in excess of 1000 families. In Santa Rosa, there are also hundreds, if not thousands, more individuals and families of the Jewish faith that are not affiliated with our Santa Rosa synagogues.

I propose, as a minimum, that the Hebrew word *Shalom* --meaning peace-- and also used as a salutation and as a blessing, should be included within the Unum sculpture. I believe that I listed the word *Shalom* when I completed the online survey several months ago which elicited community response for words to be included in the sculpture. In advance of the January 10th meeting, please share this email with members of the Art in Public Places Committee and the artist. I appreciate your attention to this important matter.

Best wishes for a year of Shalom and good health for us all!

Artfully yours, Nina

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The <u>Agenda</u> for the Monday, January 10, 2022, special meeting of the Art in Public Places Committee has been posted.

## Scheduled Items:

4.1 Unum Sculpture Recommended Words and Languages

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