

September 1, 2020

Dear Muralist,

Thank you for your passion and your commitment to societal change. The City of San Rafael supports the sentiment of your mural; Breonna Taylor's life mattered.

We share the outrage over the violence and racial injustice that is pervasive across our nation and are committed to addressing social and racial injustice in our community. City policy, however, does not allow any kind of messaging or art, graffiti, or murals on public property without a public process. We hope you can appreciate the challenge of balancing free expression and ensuring that public space is maintained as needed. Each of us might have a different take on words, phrases, or pictures that we would not find appropriate for public property.

Unfortunately, all of this means we will need to remove your mural but didn't want to do so without sharing our reasoning, and genuine support for your sentiments. We hope that you will reach out to us to continue this important dialogue and conversation. You can reach us anytime via email or phone at: 415-485-3070 or info@cityofsanrafael.org. We appreciate your understanding and look forward to communicating with you.

Thank you,

City of San Rafael