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Nechita Sculpture To Be Placed On Burton Way

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A sculpture entitled "Love Anatomy," donated to the City by artist Alexandra Nechita, a Romanian American cubist painter, will soon find a home on Burton Way.

The buxom eight-foot bronze statue is a stylized representation of a feminine figure and exemplifies why the artist has earned the moniker, "Petite Picasso."

The Burton Way median, which is home to three other sculptures, is currently undergoing a redesign to incorporate drought-tolerant vegetation, bioswales and a storm water retention site.

The sculptures will, nonetheless, be maintained in their current juxtaposition with the addition of Love Anatomy.

The placement did not meet 100% approval, however.

"I have issues with placing it on the Burton Way median," said Councilmember Julian Gold. "I think the art is pretty explicit and, call me a prude, but..."

Gold expressed concern that the piece was going to be exposed to children, because of its proximity to the Beverly Hills Public Library. It will be placed in front of the courthouse, which is around the corner from the library.

