

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**  
(1964, R1984, R2001\*, R2008)



**Policy Statement**

The American Society of Landscape Architects believes that an open, participatory design process can create better communities and a healthier environment. Public involvement will help identify the issues important to the community and develop the most appropriate planning, design, and management solutions. The quality of a community's culture, buildings, monuments, infrastructure, and parks reflects on its civic pride and values. Projects that contribute to the public realm should have a lasting positive effect on both the community and the environment. Therefore, ASLA supports the engagement of the public and stakeholders in all phases of the process.

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\* Replaces Art Commissions and Other Reviewing Authorities Policy.