

Cultural Arts Commission Meeting Agenda Announcement

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**AGENDA
CITY OF WHITTIER
CULTURAL ARTS COMMISSION
COUNCIL CHAMBER, 13230 PENN STREET
OCTOBER 25, 2021, 6:00 PM**

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

Pamela Korporaal, Commissioner
Caroline Medrano, Commissioner
Octavio Martinez, Vice-Chair
Christine Singer-Luna, Chair

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

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Pursuant to State law, the Commission cannot take action or express a consensus of approval or disapproval on any communications which do not appear on the printed agenda.

5. STAFF REPORTS

5.A. Approval of Minutes

Recommendation: Approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 27, 2021.

5.B. 2021 Fall Programs

Recommendation: Receive and file the 2021 Fall Programs Reports.

5.C. Art in Public Places Update

Recommendation: Receive and file the Art in Public Places update.

6. SECRETARY COMMENTS

7. COMMISSION MEMBER COMMENTS/CONFERENCE REPORTS

8. ADJOURNMENT

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I hereby certify under penalty of perjury, under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing agenda was posted in accordance with the applicable legal requirements. Regular and Adjourned Regular meeting agendas may be amended up to 72 hours in advance of the meeting. Dated this 21 day of October 2021.

/s/ Roxanne Gonzalez

Roxanne Gonzalez, Administrative Secretary



Agenda Report

Cultural Arts Commission

Date: October 25, 2021

To: Cultural Arts Commission

From: Virginia Santana, Director of Parks, Recreation and Community Services

Subject: Approval of Minutes

RECOMMENDATION

Approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 27, 2021.

BACKGROUND

None.

DISCUSSION

Staff prepared draft minutes and hereby submits the Minutes for Commission approval.

FISCAL IMPACT

None.

STRATEGIC PLANNING GOAL

Goal 4: Transparent & Open Government

ATTACHMENTS

A. Minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 27, 2021.

**MINUTES
CITY OF WHITTIER
CULTURAL ARTS COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER, 13230 PENN STREET
SEPTEMBER 27, 2021 – 6:00 P.M.**

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Chair Korporaal called the regular meeting of the Cultural Arts Commission to order at 6:12 p.m. in the Council Chamber of Whittier City Hall, 13230 Penn Street, Whittier, California.

2. ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Pamela Korporaal, Commissioner
Octavio Martinez, Vice Chair
Christine Singer-Luna, Chair

ABSENT: Caroline Medrano, Commissioner

STAFF PRESENT:

Virginia Santana, Director of Parks, Recreation and Community Services
Erin Hamilton, Community Services Manager
Dennis Cujak, Community Services Supervisor
Roxanne Gonzalez, Administrative Secretary
Holly Hollmann, Secretary

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Martinez led the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Administrative Secretary Gonzalez reported no public comments were received.

5. STAFF REPORTS

5.A. Election of Officers & Commissioner Sub-Committee Assignments

Chair Korporaal nominated Commissioner Singer-Luna for Chair and Commissioner Martinez for Vice-Chair.

It was moved by Commissioner Martinez, seconded by Chair Korporaal, to approve the nomination of Commissioner Singer-Luna as Chair and Commissioner Martinez as Vice-Chair of the Cultural Arts Commission for the fiscal year 2021-2022, and carried by a unanimous vote (3-0) (Absent: Commissioner Medrano).

Secretary Santana opened the floor to Commissioners to select Sub-Committee Assignments.

Secretary Santana recommended that Vice-Chair Martinez and Commissioner Korporaal remain on the Art in Public Places Advisory Committee to see the current project through. Chair Singer-Luna supported the recommendation and stated she is interested in the Art in Public Places Committee. Secretary Santana reminded the Committee that they could not have three members on the Committee, because it would create a quorum.

Manager Hamilton introduced Supervisor Cujak and gave a brief background on the Lobby Art Program, Chalktastic, and Banner Program.

Chair Singer-Luna and Commissioner Korporaal volunteered to join the Lobby Art sub-committee. Vice-Chair Martinez volunteered to join the Street Banner sub-committee. Chair Singer-Luna and Commissioner Korporaal volunteered to join the Chalktastic sub-committee.

It was moved by Commissioner Korporaal, seconded by Vice-Chair Martinez, and carried (3-0), to approve the sub-committee selections (Absent: Commissioner Medrano).

5.B. Approval of Minutes

It was moved by Commissioner Korporaal, seconded by Chair Singer-Luna, and carried (3-0), to approve the Minutes of the April 26, 2021 Regular Meeting (Absent: Commissioner Medrano).

5.C. Chalktastic Program

Manager Hamilton provided Commissioners with background on the Chalktastic event. Supervisor Cujak provided Commissioners with details for this year's Chalktastic event, which will take place in front of City Hall on October 16th, 2021 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Each age division will have a section to work on while creating their art piece. Staff is prepared for 150 artists. Artists will receive chalk and a kneeling pad. Prizes for 1st and 2nd place will be awarded in each age category. In addition, the event attendees will have an opportunity to vote for their favorite artist, to receive the People's Choice Award. The Chalktastic event will have live music by DJ Rudy, games, and food booths. The Rec and Read team will be at the event operating a crafts table offering book checkout and library cards. Also, a professional chalk artist will perform a 3-hour demonstration and will simultaneously be providing advice to the young artist in attendance. Manager Hamilton asked Commissioners to assist in judging the Art Competition. Chair Singer-Luna and Vice-Chair Martinez offered to assist.

It was moved by Commissioner Korporaal, seconded by Vice-Chair Martinez, and carried by a unanimous vote, to receive and file the Chalktastic Program update (Absent: Commissioner Medrano).

6. SECRETARY'S COMMENTS

Secretary Santana updated the Commission on upcoming events. Staff will host Halloween Family Movie Night and screen Coco on October 8th at Guirado Park and October 9th at Michigan. A Senior trip is scheduled for Oktoberfest on October 21st in Huntington Beach. Student Run Whittier has started up again with 51 students enrolled and are training Thursdays from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. at Michigan Park, and Saturdays from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. at Palm Park. The 12th Annual Whittier Spooktacular 5K Run/Walk is on October 30th. The 1/2-mile dash for the children costs \$20, and the 5K costs \$35. Approximately 400 people are currently registered for the Spooktacular 5K. Cookies with Santa will be on December 11th, where children can do crafts, have cookies, and a photo with Santa. Palm Park will host "Decorate Your Duck" Races, and contestants will be able to decorate their own duck to enter into the race.

Secretary Santana thanked the Commissioners who attended the event at York Field for the dedication of the "Freedom" piece designed by Jane DeDecker. She also shared with the Commission the news on the passing of Geovanni Escobar, who will be missed by his Whittier City family.

7. COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

Commissioner Korporaal asked if we would continue Hollywood Bowl discussions at an upcoming meeting and invited staff and Commissioners to visit the Whittier Art Gallery. Secretary Santana stated that staff would open the floor to discuss the Hollywood Bowl.

Vice-Chair Martinez expressed his condolences for the loss of Geovanni Escobar, thanked Commissioner Korporaal for leading the Commission the past two years, thanked staff for their efforts, welcomed Supervisor Cujak, and congratulated Chair Singer-Luna.

Chair Singer-Luna shared the same sentiments as Vice-Chair Martinez.

8. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:01 p.m.

Approved and adopted by the Cultural Arts Commission on _____.

Virginia Santana, Secretary



Agenda Report

Cultural Arts Commission

Date: October 25, 2021

To: Cultural Arts Commission

From: Virginia Santana, Director of Parks, Recreation and Community Services

Subject: 2021 Fall Programs

RECOMMENDATION

Receive and file the 2021 Fall Programs Reports.

BACKGROUND

Cultural Arts Commissioners will receive reports on the items below.

DISCUSSION

Lobby Art Program

The Lobby Art Program was one of the Cultural Arts Programs that was cancelled due to the COVID-19 pandemic, with our facilities in the re-opening phases, we can resurrect the Lobby Art Program. The sub-committee will meet Monday, October 25 to begin planning the logistics of the program such as a call to artist and location for the art.

Street Banner Program

The Street Banner Program was one of the Cultural Arts Programs that was able to proceed during the COVID-19 pandemic. The Sub-Committee will meet on Monday, October 25, to gather theme ideas for its 19th year as well as a potential timeline for the program.

Chalktastic

Chalktastic was an all-around successful event in its first year as a standalone event. There were about 120 participants split fairly even across the age groups (5-7, 8-10, 11-13, 14-17). Darryl Recio Sielles was the People's Choice Winner, he also won his age group (11-13). Throughout the event, artists and their families participated in crafts, games, and checked out books from the library's mobile unit.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact associated with this report.

STRATEGIC PLANNING GOAL

Goal 4: Transparent & Open Government

Agenda Item No. 5.B.

ATTACHMENTS

None.



Agenda Report

Cultural Arts Commission

Date: October 25, 2021

To: Cultural Arts Commission

From: Virginia Santana, Director of Parks, Recreation and Community Services

Subject: Art in Public Places Update

RECOMMENDATION

Receive and file the Art in Public Places update.

BACKGROUND

The Art in Public Places Advisory Committee reviewed the sites listed on the Master Plan and recommended new locations be considered for quality art placement in the community. The Committee was then tasked with surveying the community to bring back individual lists of potential sites to a future meeting. In May of 2020 the Committee narrowed down a list of 35 potential sites they compiled to their top four locations that included Dorland Park, Philadelphia & Whittier Boulevard, the Uptown parking structure, and the Walnut Tree area.

DISCUSSION

At its August 25, 2021, meeting the Art in Public Places Advisory Committee discussed the four identified locations at length. The Uptown parking structure was removed from the list due to the impending demolition and redesign of the structure. The Committee requested that the Hybrid Walnut Tree location be a separate project to begin working on outside of the current project. The potential locations were then narrowed down to Dorland Park and the Philadelphia & Whittier Boulevard green space.

After much discussion and research, the Committee will be recommending Dorland Park as the next potential site location pending traffic reports and additional site information.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact associated with this report.

STRATEGIC PLANNING GOAL

Goal 4: Transparent & Open Government

ATTACHMENTS

A. Photos of Dorland Park

Dorland Park

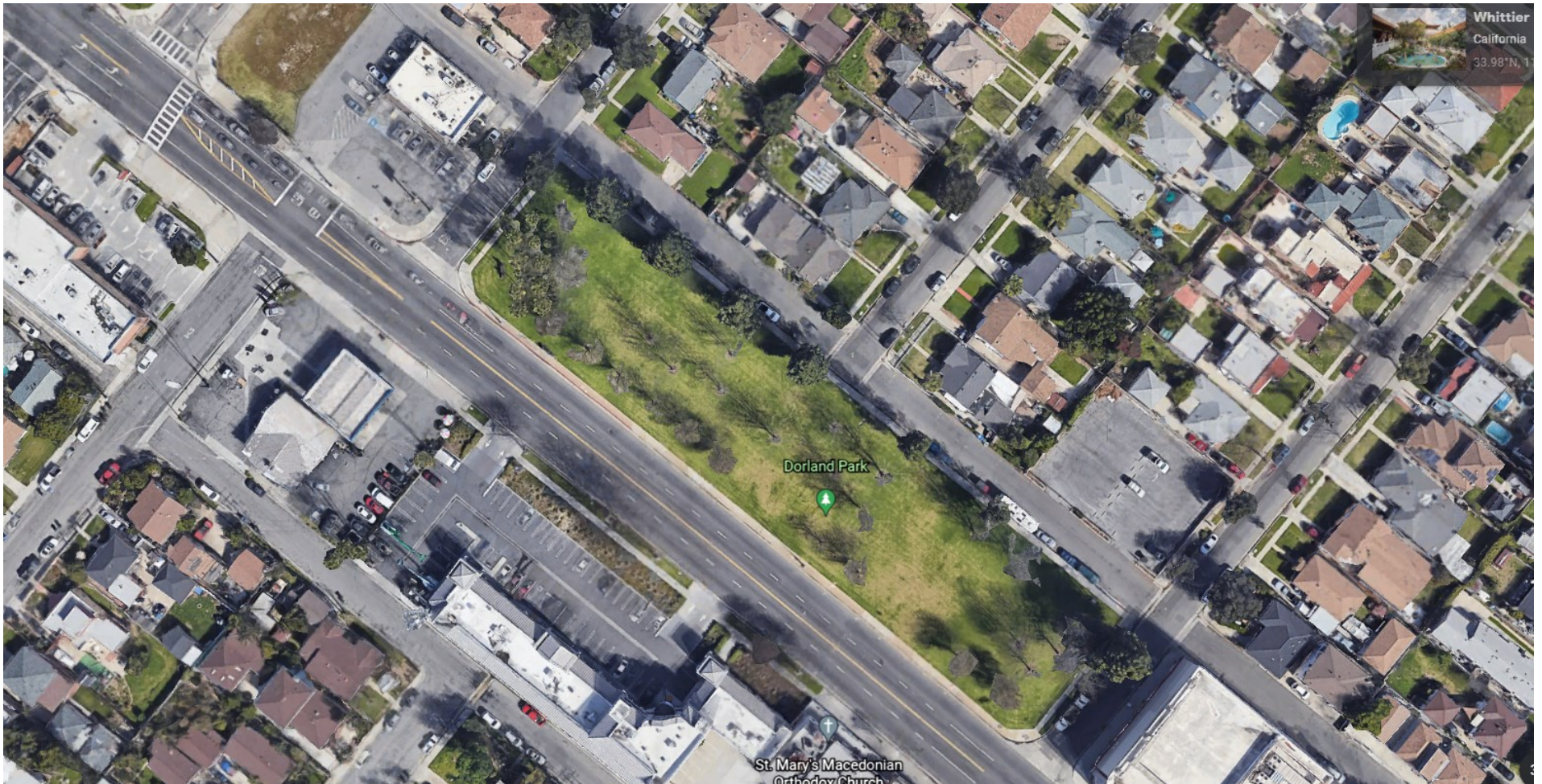


Dorland Park



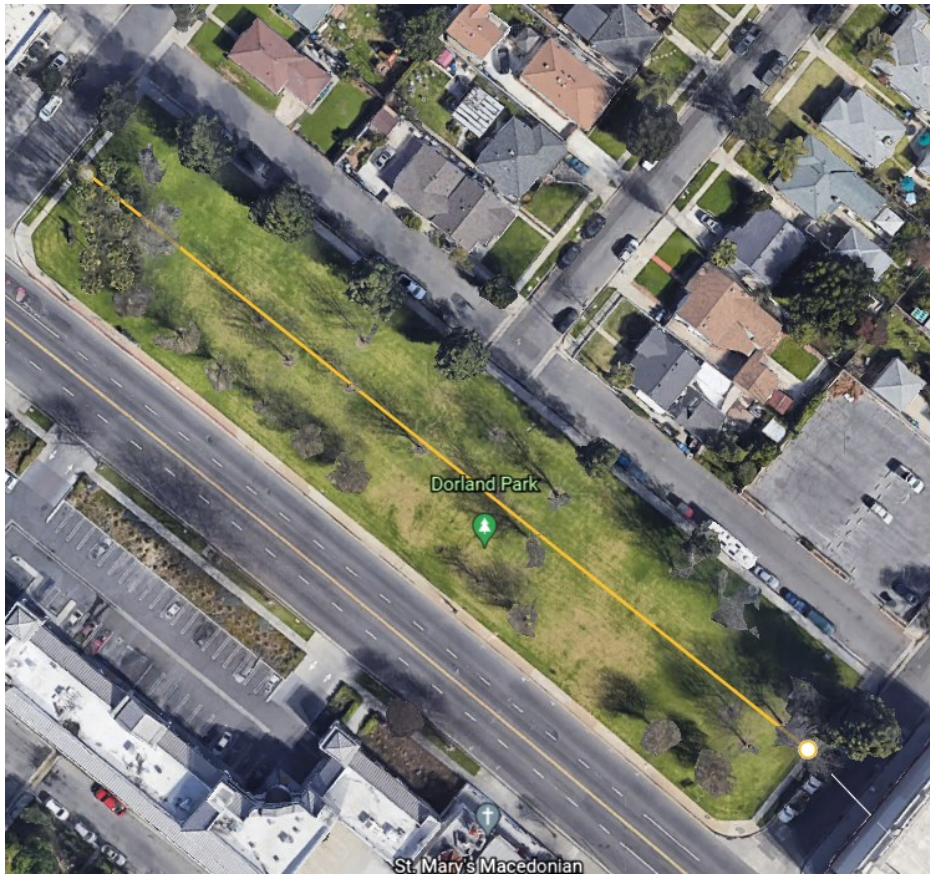
View looking East from Redman

Dorland Park

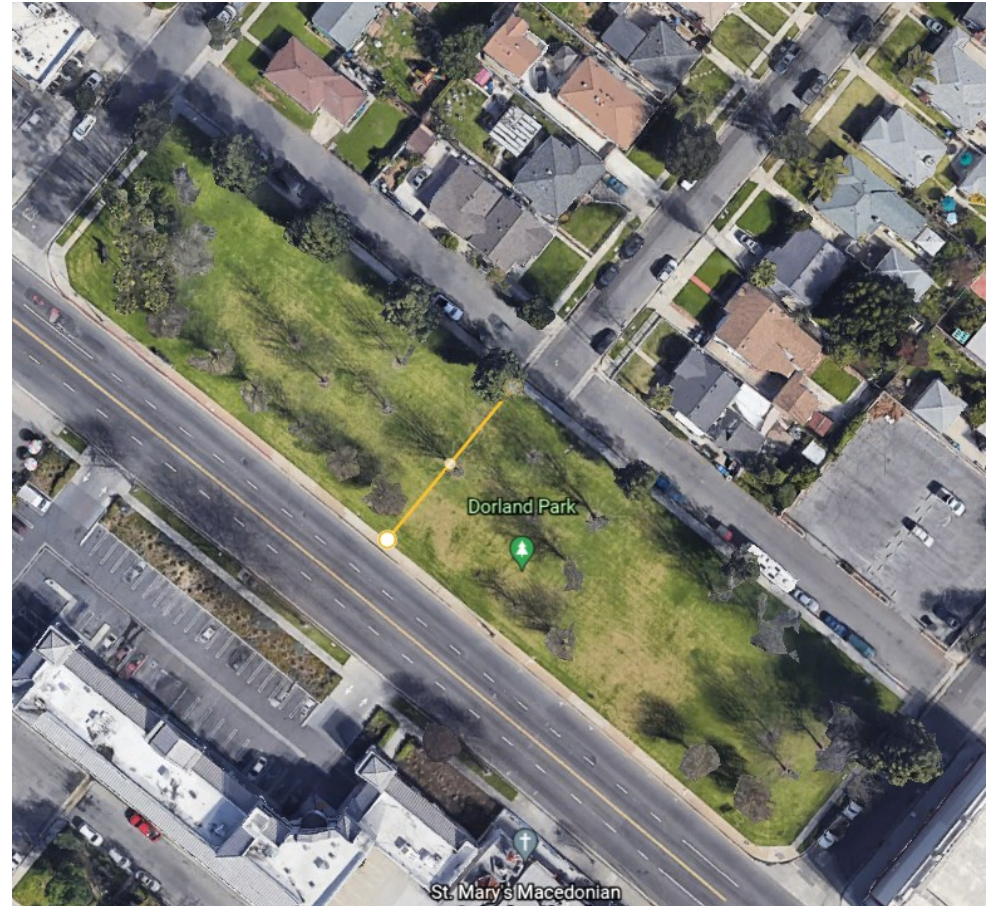


Dorland Park

515ft



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DORLAND PARK – WEST GREEN SPACE LOOKING SOUTH



DORLAND PARK- WEST GREEN SPACE LOOKING EAST



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