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WHITTIER SEEKS ARTISTS FOR DOG PARK Wall Art

The City of Whittier is seeking designs from artists for an Art in Public Places Wall Art Project along the Whittier Greenway Trail at the new Dog Park, 12206 Philadelphia Street.

The wall art will be located on the east side of the Dog Park along the wall dividing the park from private businesses. The wall consists of three segments, and the proposals may be for an art piece in one section of the wall or a series of pieces that spread out the entire length of the wall. The wall sections measure lengths of 10, 30, 5 and 60 feet long and are 10 feet high.

The City is seeking designs that will be used as a colorful background for the new park. The designs should visually enhance the area in a unique and engaging manner, and should be appropriate for the site given the dimensions, space and the way in which the public will interact with the park and the artwork.

A variety of media will be considered, including, but not limited to, mosaics, tile, metal and mixed media, and a variety of these materials may be used. Although the artwork will be at the Dog Park, the artwork does not have to be specific to the site.

The artwork must be permanent, weather resistant and require a minimal amount of maintenance, with the highest aesthetic quality and craftsmanship expected. The Dog Park is open from dawn to dusk, and there is no lighting at the Park.

The budget for the Dog Park artwork is \$100,000. This budget must include the design fee, cost of fabrication, transportation and installation of the artwork; complementary work such as travel, insurance, light, permit fees, drawing costs, consulting; and all other expenses. Compliance with all state and local building codes and Los Angeles County standards are required.

This project is open to all artists. The deadline to submit the artwork designs is 5 p.m. Friday, November 27 and sent to the Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department, Fran Shields, Director of Parks, Recreation and Community Services, 13230 Penn Street, Whittier, CA 90602. Incomplete or late applications will not be accepted. A brochure giving the specific requirements for submitting the designs for consideration may be found on the City of Whittier website, www.cityofwhittier.org. Shipping and/or postage charges are the responsibility of the artists, and if they wish to have their submissions returned, artists must provide for return postage.

A selection panel, composed of members of the Whittier Cultural Arts Commission, will review the submissions. Five finalists will be selected for further review, and from the finalists, an artist will be selected to receive the commission. Finalists who are not awarded the commission will receive a \$500 stipend fee for their participation.

For more information, contact the Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department at 562-567-9460.