

**AGENDA  
CITY OF WHITTIER  
CULTURAL ARTS COMMISSION  
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 13230 PENN STREET  
FEBRUARY 25, 2019, 6:00 PM**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

**2. ROLL CALL**

Alberto Montes De Oca, Chair  
Caroline Medrano, Vice Chair  
Roberto Chavez, Commissioner  
Bethany Gilbertson, Commissioner  
Pamela Kinnaman-Korporaal, Commissioner

**3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**4. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

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**5. STAFF REPORTS**

**5.A. Approval of Minutes**

Recommendation: Approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 28, 2019.

**5.B. Whittier Nights at the Hollywood Bowl**

Recommendation: Review and select concert(s) for Whittier Nights at the Hollywood Bowl.

**5.C. 2018 Year in Review Presentation**

Recommendation: Receive and file the 2018 Year in Review Presentation.

**6. SECRETARY COMMENTS**

**7. COMMISSION MEMBER COMMENTS/CONFERENCE REPORTS**

**8. ADJOURNMENT**

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/s/ Sheryl Dugas

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Sheryl Dugas, Administrative Secretary



# Agenda Report

Cultural Arts Commission

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**Date:** February 25, 2019

**To:** Cultural Arts Commission

**From:** Greg Alaniz, Director of Parks, Recreation and Community Services

**Subject:** Approval of Minutes

## **RECOMMENDATION**

Approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 28, 2019.

## **BACKGROUND**

None

## **DISCUSSION**

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

## **FISCAL IMPACT**

There is no fiscal impact associated with this report.

## **ATTACHMENTS**

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 28, 2019.

**MINUTES  
CITY OF WHITTIER  
CULTURAL ARTS COMMISSION  
REGULAR MEETING  
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER, 13230 PENN STREET  
MONDAY, JANUARY 28, 2019 – 6:00 P.M.**

**1. CALL TO ORDER:**

The Cultural Arts Commission of the City of Whittier met in Regular Session in the Whittier City Council Chambers, 13230 Penn Street, Whittier, California. Chair Montes De Oca called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

**2. ROLL CALL:**

<b>CULTURAL ARTS COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:</b>	Alberto Montes De Oca, Chair Caroline Medrano, Vice Chair Roberto Chavez, Commissioner Bethany Gilbertson, Commissioner Pamela Kinnaman-Korporaal, Commissioner
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<b>CULTURAL ARTS COMMISSIONERS ABSENT:</b>	None
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<b>OTHER OFFICIALS PRESENT:</b>	Greg Alaniz, Director of Parks, Recreation and Community Services Virginia Santana, Community Services Manager Erin Hamilton, Community Services Supervisor Sheryl Dugas, Administrative Secretary
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**3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

Commissioner Korporaal led the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States flag.

**4. PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

Mr. Pedro Chan, a member of the City of Monterey Park's Sister Cities Commission, addressed Commission regarding the benefits of becoming a "Friendship City". He stated that the City of Monterey Park has five Sister Cities and ten Friendship Cities. Mr. Chan recommended Whittier establish a "Friendship City" relationship with Shaoshan, the hometown of Chairman Mao. He stated it would make sense because of the relationship between President Nixon and China, and Whittier has a hotel, museum, and Whittier College to attract visitors. Mr. Chan noted that promoting Whittier as President Nixon's hometown would draw business to Whittier.

**5. STAFF REPORTS:**

**5. A APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

It was moved by Commissioner Gilbertson, seconded by Commissioner Korporaal, and carried 5-0 to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 26, 2018.

**5. B COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Art in Public Places:**

Secretary Alaniz updated Commission on the progress of the Jose Ramos Vietnam Veterans memorial project. He stated that the Art in Public Places Committee (AIPP) reviewed the first conceptual design, and requested some modifications. The artist presented his revised design as well as a model for review at the AIPP meeting of January 23, 2019. Secretary Alaniz noted that the proposed monument is to be approximately nine feet tall. He stated that the artist is very committed to the project, and the AIPP liked what they saw. The City Manager and City Council are currently reviewing the model. There are two locations being considered for placement of the monument. One is on the City Hall grounds, near the Peace Memorial, and the other is on the Greenway Trail, near Palm Park. Commissioner Chavez questioned if Mr. Ramos' bicycle will be a part of the monument. Secretary Alaniz responded that the actual bicycle would not be used for the project as the artist feels that it would not hold up well. There will however, be a representation of the bike included in the art piece. Secretary Alaniz noted that Mr. Ramos' bicycle would be on display at the Whittier Museum.

Community Services Manager, Virginia Santana, reported on the status of the "Solar Tree" art piece. She reported that staff met with the artist on site to discuss installation requirements and the need for a larger foundation, which will now require the issuance of a Building Permit. Ms. Santana stated that the artists are very easy to work with. Commissioner Chavez questioned the timeframe for the project. Ms. Santana noted that completion is anticipated in the fall.

**Visual Arts Program:**

Community Services Supervisor, Erin Hamilton, reported on the Visual Arts Program. Commission reviewed staff recommendations for artists for the 2019 Lobby Art Schedule. The months of September through February are open for discussion since there were not a sufficient number of submissions received in response to the first "call to artists". Commission viewed a presentation of art works by several artists who have applied for inclusion in the schedule. Following review and discussion, it was decided to add a group show of artists from the Hillcrest Festival of Fine Arts to the Parnell schedule, along with Lauren Eckhart, Lark Hickey, and Linda Dellazoppa. Commissioner Gilbertson questioned if there are receptions for the artists whose works are on display at Parnell. Ms. Hamilton responded that there are receptions at Parnell on either a Tuesday or Wednesday evening at 5:30 p.m., and City Council is invited to

attend. Commissioner Chavez stated that it is important for Commissioners to attend these receptions. Commission questioned the number of pieces that may be submitted for display. Ms. Hamilton noted that it depends on the size of each art piece.

**Banner Program:**

Community Services Supervisor, Erin Hamilton, reported that 551 banner submissions have been received, including quite a few from the local elementary schools. Commissioners were invited to come to the Parnell Park Community Center on Monday, February 4, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. to select 120 entries that will be included in this year's program. She noted that the Public Works Department has increased the number of brackets available for banners from 100 to 120. They also assist with the installation of the finished banners. There will be banners on display along Whittier Boulevard, from 5-Points to Santa Gertrudes. Commission questioned whether there would be any on Beverly Boulevard. Ms. Hamilton stated that might be a possibility in the future. Funding for the program comes through a partnership with Los Angeles County Supervisor Janice Hahn, funds from the Cultural Arts Foundation, and sponsorships. Ms. Hamilton confirmed that sponsorships are \$150 and the sponsorship forms are available from her office.

It was moved by Commissioner Chavez, seconded by Vice Chair Medrano, and carried 5-0 to receive and file the Committee Reports on the Art in Public Places Committee, Visual Arts Program, and Banner Program.

**5. C 2018 FALL REPORT**

Secretary Alaniz presented the 2018 Fall Report highlighting the outstanding programs, classes and events made available to the community by the Community Services Division. Of special note were the W7 Art Show and Chalktastic sidewalk art contest, as well as the Lobby Art Programs at both City Hall and the Parnell Park Senior and Community Center. The aquatics program had a revenue increase of 22% over fall 2017. Also noted were the Whittier Community Foundation's Boots, Beer & BBQ and Spooktacular 5K fundraising events. Secretary Alaniz advised that the Adult Softball program had generated \$29,400 in gross revenue, the Whittier Family Theatre group presented a production of "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dream Coat", the Veteran's Day celebration held on November 10 was quite successful, with attendance of approximately 200 people, and the Whittier Youth Network (WYN Club) programs continue to be well attended.

It was moved by Vice Chair Medrano , seconded by Commissioner Gilbertson, and carried 5-0 to receive and file the 2018 Fall Report.

**6. SECRETARY'S COMMENTS**

Secretary Alaniz reported that the welds on the Desert Melody art piece were broken again and is in the process of being repaired. Staff is seeking direction from City

Council on possible relocation once repairs are complete. Commission will be notified of potential new sites for the piece.

Secretary Alaniz stated that he has been meeting with Mr. Chan about the possibility of becoming a “Friendship City”, and staff is researching what this would entail. He will be reporting to City Council on the process, staff time involvement and approximate cost. Commissioner Chavez noted that approximately 150 people recently attended a reception at the Whittier Museum and that Mr. Chan brought “VIPs”, from all over to the gathering. He stated that Mr. Chan is very well respected and extremely committed.

A temporary fence has been placed around the Walnut Tree on Whittier Boulevard for safety, due to the recent occurrences of inclement weather events.

Secretary Alaniz advised Commission of the following coming events:

- Students in Government Day will take place on Tuesday, February 26, 2019 at City Hall. Participants from Whittier High School will shadow Department Heads, and participate in a “mock” City Council meeting.
- KaBOOM! – Broadway Park Build Day will take place on Thursday, March 7, 2019 beginning at 8:00 a.m. The Whittier Community Foundation and Whittier Host Lions Club will join with staff and volunteers from the corporate sponsor, Amway, to complete the project.
- The annual Arbor Day celebration will be held on Thursday, March 14, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. Michigan Park will be the location this year. Whittier will receive its 35<sup>th</sup> consecutive Tree City USA award. Students from a local elementary school and preschool will participate in the event.

## **7. COMMISSIONERS’ COMMENTS**

Commissioner Korporaal reported that Arts Connect Whittier would meet on February 28, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. at Crepes and Grapes. She also noted that two booths have been given to Arts Connect Whittier to display information regarding Whittier’s various art groups at the Santa Fe Springs Art Fest.

Commissioner Gilbertson noted that on February 13, 2019 Art Stroll Uptown would hold a Valentine’s Day themed event at Sage Restaurant.

Vice Chair Medrano reported that she has been receiving questions about this year’s Hollywood Bowl concerts. Erin Hamilton noted that group ticket sales will begin on February 11 and the schedule will be presented to Commission for discussion.

Vice Chair Medrano questioned whether an art piece is to be installed on the site of the apartments being constructed on Whittier Boulevard, across the street from East Whittier Middle School. Secretary Alaniz noted that the developer has paid the required fee to the City in lieu of installing an art piece. He also reported that the

development on Whittier Boulevard, closer to Mills Avenue, would be installing an art piece that has previously received approval.

Vice Chair Medrano reported that there is a private group that runs spay and neuter clinics at various location in the area. They recently had one at Whittier High School. She proposed holding one of these clinics at the Dog Park. Secretary Alaniz noted that the City works in partnership with the Southeast Area Animal Control Authority (SEAACA) on events such as this.

Vice Chair Medrano questioned if there will be a Sister City committee meeting soon. Secretary Alaniz noted that the next meeting would be in April.

Commissioner Chavez announced that the Hillcrest Festival of Fine Arts will take place on February 22-24, 2019, and invited Commission to attend. He noted that this year there will be demonstrations and poetry readings included in the event. Commissioner Korporaal questioned if it is appropriate to wear their name badges at non-City events. Secretary Alaniz noted that the will look into it. Commissioner Chavez stated that he only wears it to City events.

Chair Montes De Oca commented that it is great to be back to start the New Year with great energy.

## **8. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Chair Montes De Oca adjourned the meeting at 7:08 p.m.

Approved and adopted by the Cultural Arts Commission on \_\_\_\_\_.

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GREG ALANIZ, Secretary





# Agenda Report

Cultural Arts Commission

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**Date:** February 25, 2019

**To:** Cultural Arts Commission

**From:** Greg Alaniz, Director of Parks, Recreation and Community Services

**Subject:** Whittier Nights at the Hollywood Bowl

## **RECOMMENDATION**

Review and select concert(s) for Whittier Nights at the Hollywood Bowl.

## **BACKGROUND**

Annually the City offers to the community the opportunity to purchase tickets to two (2) concerts at the Hollywood Bowl. The price includes the cost of the ticket and bus transportation.

## **DISCUSSION**

Staff prepared a list of concerts at the Hollywood Bowl for Commission's review and selection.

## **FISCAL IMPACT**

There is no fiscal impact associated with this report.

## **ATTACHMENTS**

A. Hollywood Bowl Concert Schedule 2019

## Hollywood Bowl Concert Schedule 2019

Tickets go on sale Tuesday, February 19, 2019.

City of Whittier can pay with a check; however, consignment is no longer an option.

### **Tier A – 100 tickets only:**

June 15 (Saturday) – Opening Night at the Bowl  
June 29 (Saturday) – Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix in Concert  
September 6 & 7 (Friday & Saturday) – Barry Manilow with Orchestra  
September 11 (Wednesday) – Ben Harper

### **Tier B – 250 Tickets only:**

June 8 & 9 (Saturday & Sunday) – Playboy Jazz Festival  
June 30 (Sunday) – ABBA: The Concert  
July 2, 3, & 4 (Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday) – July 4<sup>th</sup> Firework Spectacular  
with Nile Rodgers & CHIC  
July 5 (Friday) – Leon Bridges Rhye  
July 6 (Saturday) – Chrissie Hynde  
July 7 (Sunday) – Reggae Night XVIII  
July 10 (Wednesday) – Tony Bennett  
July 12 & 13 (Friday & Saturday) – Cyndi Lauper with Orchestra  
July 14 (Sunday) – Kristin Chenoweth  
July 19 & 20 (Friday & Saturday) – Hugh Jackman  
July 21 (Sunday) – Natalia Lafourcade and Gustavo Dudamel  
July 26, 27, & 28 (Friday, Saturday & Sunday) – Into the Woods  
July 31 (Wednesday) – Michael McDonald Chaka Khan  
August 2 & 3 (Friday & Saturday) – The Gipsy Kings  
August 4 (Sunday) – Lord Hurton  
August 10 (Saturday) – Tchaikovsky with Fireworks  
August 11 (Sunday) – Death Cab for Cutie  
August 14 (Wednesday) – Ivan Lins and Friends  
August 16 & 17 (Friday & Saturday) – Jurassic Park in Concert  
August 18 (Sunday) – Smooth Summer Jazz  
August 23, 24, & 25 (Friday, Saturday, & Sunday) – Pink Martini with Orchestra  
August 28 (Wednesday) - The Roots  
August 30 & 31 (Friday & Saturday) – Maestro of the Movies  
September 8 (Sunday) – Gladys Knight  
September 13 & 14 (Friday & Saturday) – Fireworks Finale: Earth Wind & Fire  
September 15 (Sunday) – Café Tacvba  
September 21 (Saturday) – Sing-A-Long: Sound of Music  
September 25 (Wednesday) – Black Movie soundtrack III  
September 29 (Sunday) – Gary Clark Jr. & Michael Kiwanuka

### **Tier C – 400 Tickets only:**

\*These are the classical nights

No Ticketed Outside Vendor Concerts



# Agenda Report

Cultural Arts Commission

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**Date:** February 25, 2019

**To:** Cultural Arts Commission

**From:** Greg Alaniz, Director of Parks, Recreation and Community Services

**Subject:** 2018 Year in Review Presentation

## **RECOMMENDATION**

Receive and file the 2018 Year in Review Presentation.

## **BACKGROUND**

The 2018 Year in Review Presentation highlights many of the Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department's events and programs.

## **DISCUSSION**

Staff prepared the 2018 Year in Review Presentation for Commission's viewing.

## **FISCAL IMPACT**

There is no fiscal impact associated with this report.

## **ATTACHMENTS**

None