



## Agenda Report

Arts Commission

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Item #: 24-411

Meeting Date: 11/7/2024

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**TITLE:** PUBLIC ART SCULPTURE GARDEN  
**DEPARTMENT:** PARKS AND COMMUNITY SERVICES  
**PRESENTED BY:** MONIQUE VILLASENOR, RECREATION MANAGER  
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### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends the Arts Commission review and provide initial feedback on a potential Sculpture Garden project.

### **BACKGROUND:**

On March 21, 2021, the Arts and Culture Master Plan approved by the City Council. This Master Plan included specific goals for City's art initiative.

#### **The Arts and Culture Master Plan states the following:**

**Goal number 2:** Expand public art throughout the city.

**Objective 2.1:** Establish and grow a world class public art program that serves all districts and neighborhoods.

**Action 2.3:** Create a new program of temporary installations of large-scale sculptures as two-year loans, placed at sites inclusive of all the City's districts. This can be ramped up gradually by installing three works in Year 1 (one in each of three districts), adding three in Year 2 (in the remaining districts), and then continuing to rotate the works on expiring loans annually.

### **ANALYSIS:**

In early 2024, staff began developing a plan to address Action Item 2.3. After careful evaluation, they moved forward with hiring a landscape designer to create a concept for a sculpture garden at potential park locations.

As this initiative requires official design and construction, the sculpture garden project must be submitted to the City Council for consideration as part of the proposed Capital Improvement Program (CIP) budget, in line with the City's Arts and Culture Master Plan.

Annual funds have been allocated to the Arts & Culture fund for the installation of public art starting in fiscal year 2023-2024. Currently, unused funds from previous years are rolled over for this public art initiative.

Staff engaged SITESCAPES, a landscape planning and architecture firm, to prepare a conceptual rendering. This will enable the commission to provide feedback and recommendations on site options and concepts, positioning the project for inclusion in the 2025-2026 CIP budget.

**FISCAL REVIEW:**

The Public Art Sculpture Garden project is currently partially supported with funds from the Arts & Culture Fund, as outlined in the Arts & Culture Master Plan.

**LEGAL REVIEW:**

There is no legal review required for this report.

**CONCLUSION:**

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