

# CITY OF LOS ALAMITOS

3191 Katella Ave.  
Los Alamitos, CA 90720

## AGENDA PARKS, RECREATION, AND CULTURAL ARTS COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING

Wednesday, December 2, 2015 – 7:00 P.M.

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1. **CALL TO ORDER**
2. **ROLL CALL**
  - Commissioner Bell
  - Commissioner Carvajal
  - Commissioner Decker
  - Commissioner Jempsa
  - Vice Chair Wilson
  - Chair Jorge
3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
4. **ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

At this time, any individual in the audience may come forward to speak on any item within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Parks, Recreation & Cultural Arts Commission (PR&CA). Please state if you wish to speak on an item on the Agenda. Remarks are to be limited to not more than five minutes.

**5. MINUTES**

Approval of the minutes for the regular meeting of November 4, 2015.

**6. STAFF REPORTS**

**A. Water Restrictions Update**

This agenda item is to update the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Arts Commission on water conservation efforts and results thus far throughout the City-managed water meters.

Recommendation: Commission receive and file.

**B. 2016 Music & Movies Event Series Themes & Movie Selection**

This report provides the Parks, Recreation & Cultural Arts Commission an opportunity to provide input on the movie and location options for the 2016 Music and Movies Event Series.

Recommendation: Commission recommend movie choices and location for the 2016 Music and Movies Event Series.

**C. Art Exhibition**

Commissioners continue to discuss, define and develop a new Los Alamitos art exhibition.

Recommendation: Commission continue to provide feedback and direction on the planning of a city art exhibition.

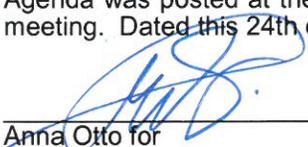
**7. ITEMS FROM THE RECREATION & COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT**

**8. COMMISSIONER REPORTS**

At this time, Commissioners may report on items not specifically described on the Agenda that are of interest to the community, provided no action or discussion is taken except to provide staff direction to report back or to place the item on a future Agenda.

**9. ADJOURNMENT**

I hereby certify, under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing Agenda was posted at the Community Center, Museum and City Hall not less than 72 hours prior to the meeting. Dated this 24th day of November 2015.

  
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Anna Otto for  
Trini Zenovka, Department Secretary

**MINUTES OF PARKS, RECREATION AND CULTURAL ARTS COMMISSION  
OF THE CITY OF LOS ALAMITOS**

**REGULAR MEETING – WEDNESDAY, November 4, 2015**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The Parks, Recreation and Cultural Arts Commission met in Regular Session at 7:04 p.m., Wednesday, November 4, 2015, in the Council Chambers, 3191 Katella Ave., Vice Chair Wilson presiding.

**2. ROLL CALL**

**Present:** Commission Members: Bell, Decker, Jempsa, Jorge, Wilson

**Absent:** Commission Members: Carvajal

**Present:** Staff: Corey Lakin, Recreation & Community Svcs. Dir.  
Emeline Noda, Recreation Manager  
Ron Noda, Recreation Manager  
Trini Zenovka, Department Secretary

**3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Chair Jorge lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

**4. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

Chair Jorge opened Oral Communications. There being no one present wishing to speak, Chair closed Oral Communications.

**5. MINUTES**

Motion/Second: Wilson/Decker

Unanimously Carried: The Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Arts Commission approved the minutes of the regular meeting of October 7, 2015.

**6. STAFF REPORTS**

**A. October Events Recap**

October was a big event month and staff shared some of the exciting things done last month. The first event was the movie screening of *Fear No Fruit* held at the Los Alamitos Community Center on Thursday, October 15, 2015. The documentary movie was about Frieda Caplan's life and tremendous accomplishment in the community, the produce industry as well as her Los Alamitos business and the wonderful things that they have done in the produce industry. There was a sampling of 5-6 different fruits, and a contest to see who could make the best dish using something that Frieda distributes. Councilmen Warren Kusumoto led a Q&A at the end of the evening. This was a great evening purple carpet, purple drinks, purple balloons and purple

decorations as Frieda's color is purple. A canned food drive took place where the canned goods were donated to 2nd Harvest Food Bank.

The next event a few days later was the Los Alamitos Volunteer Program (LAVP) recognition dinner on Monday, October 19, 2015. All 120 participants were invited and about 25-30 came along with their families. The evening had a photo booth, games and activities with the City Council serving a picnic-themed dinner to the volunteers and their families. The volunteers were also recognized in the Council Chambers by the City Council with a certificate of recognition. Four of the participants were awarded with trophies for the highest number of hours, most diverse, and two of them for the longest tenure in the program.

The last event was the Trunk or Treat event on Saturday, October 24, 2015, which was a tremendous success. Leading up to the event staff did not expect much of a crowd as there was a lot of competition - the Race Track was having a Halloween event, Seal Beach was celebrating their centennial with big carnival for \$10 all you can ride all day long and fireworks and local churches had a Halloween event. It was really exciting as this was the largest trunk or treat that we ever had an estimated crowd of 2,500 people which is up over 1,000 from last year's. Trunks were well represented with JFTB Fire and Los Alamitos Police Department in addition to nine other trunks. Commissioner Bell was an excellent Emcee, the committee who choose the best customs had a very difficult time as there were so many cute and clever costumes. The Branch Church decorated a van as an M&M bag and they dressed up as small M&M's winning the best "Tricked out Trunk" award. Kudos to Ron and his staff as they did a fantastic job, staff also wants to thank Commissioner Bell for being the evening Emcee and Commissioner Decker for being a costume contest judge.

The Trunk or Treat event had \$3000 in expenditures and \$1000 in staffing for the event. The movie screening and LAVP Recognition was an estimated \$500-\$700 each in expenditures that were not previously budgeted and will come out of department supplies and administrative budget accordingly.

## **B. Art Exhibition**

Parks, Recreation and Cultural Arts Commissioner Jorge inquired about last month's discussion on the art exhibition and how it was developing.

Director of Recreation and Community Services Department, Corey Lakin, explained how it all came about with Commissioner Bell requesting to reinvigorate the photo contest and at last month's meeting all the commissioners had an opportunity to discuss the concept. The direction that it went was why limit it just to photo contest and requested staff to meet with Commissioner Bell and collectively discuss what is feasible from an art exhibition to a three day art festival. Staff along with Commissioner Bell came up with what was deemed a great event for this community and not trying to take too much the first year for this type of venture. The event will cater toward a crowd that does not get whole individualized attention and spring board from there. This maybe a three day visual art exhibition Friday evening, Saturday late morning into the early evening, Sunday later in afternoon and into the early evening as this will be the awards day. Event to be in the in the Spring or the Fall (late April or May / Late September or November). Visual arts include:

Sculptures, pottery, ceramics, jewelry, photography, painting, drawing and weaving. Awards to age division for each category of arts and limit to one item or piece per person, size is limited and recommend artists to submit ready for display. The artist will label item, submit a resume and history, there will be no entry fee, all ages and geographic limitation be determined by commission. Commissioner Bell has volunteered to be the curator for this event.

We wanted to bring these ideas back to the PRCA Commission for additional recommendation and feedback. One of our goals is to have this commission lead the vision. Depending on the timing this will impact the fiscal side as it is not budgeted and will need to bring to Council during mid-year. Details and a preliminary budget, prizes, number of prizes and location logistics in the Community Center due to class programming need to be finalized. A rough estimate cost with marketing \$3,000-\$4,000 and Commissioner Bell has offered his expertise.

Commissioner Bell began the discussion of a three day event Friday, Saturday and part of Sunday (evening awards night) and advertise this event as a visual arts and not as fine arts as the academic community will expect the seven fine arts. We are focusing on 2 of the 7 fine arts, broadly speaking painting and sculpture.

Vice Chair Wilson what are the other 5 fine arts?

Commissioner Bell response, Architecture, Drama, Dance, Music, Literature/Poetry. Commissioner Bell has done both and this idea is an annual arts festival. Not recommending segregating children's art, no separation, all in the same category along with a local master. The artist brings object/piece to the location, labeled and ready for display and pick up on Sunday evening. Staff will look into insurance and will provide each artist a receipt and waiver. Receipt says will have all the essential information and value. Do not dispute the value of an item, so the staff will look into a blanket or individual insurance for item being submitted for display.

Chair Jorge asked Commissioner Bell from his experience what will we expect on the range of value on an item when we open this up to the community of liability are we expecting?

Commissioner Bell responded anywhere from \$20 - \$5,000, pieces are going to be fairly small 4'x8'. Smaller things tend to be valued at a lower price, we may draw out of the woodwork the unusual artist who is a pro who may submit and range \$5,000.

Director of Recreation and Community Services, Corey Lakin, stated that artists must sign a waiver, if something was deemed very valuable and extravagant, we would recommend for that artist bring it back and forth. If we get a ton of pieces and insurance company recommends it, then we would hire a security guard. We will do further research with agencies and municipalities with similar events and see what they recommend.

Chair Jorge is very excited on how this will develop and recommends that he would love to see and incorporate this event with the schools.

Commissioner Bell volunteered to do an outreach to the schools for an opportunity to display their art with the masters.

Commissioner Jempsa was happy how this event will encourage the children in our schools and suggested that this event be held in the spring, April or May.

Vice Chair Wilson agreed that the spring would be a better option to do this event and also asked to get some clarification about excluding filming from visual arts.

Commissioner Bell said that will exclude film for this year because of technical problem of displaying it for three days. If we should get a local film maker, we could see what we can do, not to advertise would be better.

Vice Chair Wilson asked who will be judging and what will be the prize.

Commissioner Bell said that there will be no judge, an individual will self identify as an artist, fall within the geographic confines, submit item along with label. I will be serving as guest curator and the items will be handled in a curatorial manner by an experienced curator and installed just so. We have not discussed in specificity how we will handle the prizes, this is something that we will need to discuss. Up to now we were thinking of awards in a form of a plaque for the wall, all the same except for the category inscription.

Vice Chair Wilson recommended that we should not limit to geographic limitations as our regular channels of marketing reaches so many people outside of our confines and open in having a very broad geographic location. Speaking to prizes, as we cannot have a large cash prize, I think this would be a great way to display the winners within the Council Chambers, city building and museum within the next year. The top prize winners will have a sense of pride and this may attract artists to our event. This is the biggest thing I push for is to display the winners art work within city buildings and it is not just a three day festival and then it is done.

Commissioner Jempsa recommended staff refer all of our guidelines and ideas to our City Attorney for review and recommendations.

Commissioner Decker inquired about the categories and if they were suggestions? Instead of weaving can it be fiber arts and not limited to just one type of fiber arts, would we allow woodworking and furniture? Loves all of the ideas and is very excited.

Commissioner Bell stated these were just suggestions and yes we can add your recommendations to our existing list.

Vice Chair Wilson, also supports this event, with Commissioner Bell's expertise and curator experience it will lend itself in getting credibility that we are looking for. I don't know who to market an art festival and I am optimistic that we are going to do a great job.

Corey Lakin responded that one of the things that we talking about was the name for the event, things that might speak to you and the community as the title is important

and the specifications underneath. Please submit your recommendations, suggestions, guidelines, and rules for a future commission meeting. If you wanted to push before 2016, we will have to ask for an appropriation from Council and get the word out in Facebook, word of mouth, Race on the Base and Spring Carnival and get it into the inside cover of the summer Activities Guide.

Vice Chair Wilson asked in respect to scheduling based on community event and contract classes what is the preferred time frame for Recreation to hold this type of event? Logistically budget time is January and February, can we take it to Council in February?

Corey Lakin responded based on our scheduling windows, there is never a down time. All of the timeframes mentioned are doable, in talking with Commissioner Bell we want to avoid start of school, holidays, AP testing and Spring Break. Spring (Late April and Early May) or Fall (Late September and Mid November before Thanksgiving) works the best with all the different types of scheduling. We can take this at mid-year in February, asking for an appropriation or alteration to the budget. We will have our December, January and February meeting, if the Commission wants to have a motion with a recommendation to Council with your full support to have this appropriated. Early on Commissioner Bell spoke of a possible sponsor and Commissioner Carvajal recommended that City Council appropriate funds for this event. We can look for funding different ways, Commission Bell already has someone in mind and would like to see a proposal or we can go to Council for an appropriation from staff prospective. This can be denied and we bring it back next year or if may be fully supported this year and then we will move forward.

Vice Chair Wilson recommend a motion to move forward to have this event in Spring of 2016.

Chair Jorge, asked staff if they need any type of motion to take to council?

Corey Lakin, my recommendation at this time is to allow staff an opportunity to gather additional research, insurance aspect, add the fiber arts, woodworking, furniture, advertising/market, awards categories selection and let this evolve. Staff would like the opportunity to discuss this with Commissioner Bell and bring back more developed program along with some recommendations with titles to our December meeting. We will need a more formal proposal before a motion can be made.

### **C. Los Alamitos Senior Program**

The senior program is very near and dear to all of our hearts, and know that our senior population is really going booming in the next several year and trying to be proactive in programming in all ages of the seniors. There are seniors who don't consider themselves seniors, the seniors who currently attend and the older ones that need transportation, homebound and home delivered meals. We are looking to establish different programming for all ages.

Los Alamitos Senior Club was established in 1976 by the City of Los Alamitos as a Non-Profit organization 501(c3) which now has evolved to a 501(c7). They have maintained both of those non-profit statuses due to their popular travel club funding.

We get about 80-100 seniors that come to the Community Center every week, they play bingo, cards, socialize, have contests, dress-up days, have speakers come in, they do events and have Wii Bowling tournaments. This gives our senior population an opportunity to come to a place, meet new friends and socialize a place where they can look forward to being here each week. We are really happy to welcome them each week.

We provide Los Alamitos Volunteer Recognition for the club, every January where the City Council recognizes all of the hours of dedication these seniors put in. There is at least 60 recognized each year, these volunteers run the club, we are there to support them as staff, but they do a lot of work to run this club every week. The Senior Club is offering bunco, which has become really popular, it used to be once a month now it is twice a month, they play for gift cards.

Los Alamitos Senior Lunch program that is a little unique and is offered Monday - Friday 8am-12noon and operates out of the Youth Center which is a city facility. We have a bread program where we get pastries from local business and food finders, it is available to the community, this is not just for seniors it is for anyone who needs it. It can be for low-income, we do not ask questions, we do take donations to offset the cost of the senior lunch program. We partner with SeniorServ which is a non-profit that provide senior meals to North Orange County agencies and get funding from the county. This program offered is for those 60 years and older and suggested donation is \$3 dollars. The meals are very tailored for seniors nutritional elements and dietary restrictions. We have a lot of seniors that have aged and gotten sick or gone to nursing home, we are trying to refill the program with new members part of the purpose to bring this to you is to help us spread the word. We are always looking for drivers and volunteers either once a week or as their schedule permits. Our senior meals programs is a rewarding and giving service to our seniors.

We have an exercise program Balance and Fitness, this is a very popular program offered by North Orange County Community College District. We are proud to offer this free class and try to keep these costs at a minimal or free. This program is booming, with 40-50 participants. The seniors really look forward to this exercise class each week and Commissioner Jempsa comes to this program as well. They make friends, socialize, get educated on how to prevent falls and maintain independence to remain a in their homes longer.

We have a lot of programs and services and are open to new ideas. We are working on senior transportation and grants to get doctor, hair appointments, grocery store, and get them here to bingo.

Commissioner Jempsa recommended the senior meals program as they have many activity and plenty of socialization. This is a great place to be at instead of staying home with no one to talk to.

Chair Jorge mentioned that he had read an article how they have combined day care with senior. I think this is valuable to both age groups. Is this is something we may consider as this may be rewarding for all involved?

Commissioner Bell offered to provide the seniors with a free seminar or class on art collection and will coordinate this with Emeline Noda, Recreation Manager.

Commissioner Wilson how many residents of Los Alamitos attend Senior Club

Recreation Manager, Emeline Noda, is researching into offering some new intergenerational programs with our seniors. We currently have club members that come from Seal Beach, Long Beach and Cypress. The travel club attracts a lot of the younger seniors and they share with their friends' information about our programs. We also have a couple that is getting married that met here at senior meals. We will be writing a story and have received approval to submit an article on how and where they met.

**D. Race on The Base 2015**

Celebrating the 35th Annual ROTB, we brought this to you earlier in the year and to show you some preliminary things that we were thinking and talking about. The OC California Race Medal, the new design incorporates, Seal Beach, Cypress, and Los Alamitos races and all represented. Cypress has the runner and sun rays, Los Al's is the star and jet, and Seal Beach is the Seal and Seal Beach pier. This brand new design is being offering to returning series participants who have already completed the series. Seal Beach and Cypress do not offer finisher medals. There is a lot of people that come up after the event and are told that they do not receive a finisher medal, but if the complete all 3 they receive series medal. They can start at any 3 races; they are really popular with 700 who were eligible at the last event. Commissioner Wilson has a one of these medals. We encourage you to spread the word.

The ROTB medals have the star is on top of the circle, is well backed and swivels, there is a glow run. Introduced the Neon – Glow Run, Red - Participant, and Blue - Volunteer shirts, it is sublimated which means that you can't feel the design. We are not offering a free meal this year, and we want to give back to the participants by upgrading on the medals and quality of the shirt.

The Charity, Sponsor and Vendor packets are available, so the challenge to each of you is to hand it out to someone that you think maybe interested. They can contact us and we can provide them with all the information necessary. We are reaching out to Charity Groups to raise funds for their charity and challenge them to dress up and have a presence on the course to excite and encourage participants during their race through creative themed cheer stations in addition to fundraising for local charities. See all the details on the website listed under Charities.

Race registration is not doing bad, but currently down about 100 from last year. We have been in constant contact with those in the racing industry and there is a steady decline due to competing events such as Tough Mudder, Warrior Dash, Color Run, themed runs and obstacle races. We are anticipating for the glow run to increase the 1K kids run numbers and if this even is successful, we will look into opening the 5K for families. There are so many different races out there that many participants are waiting longer to make a decision as to what race to participate in.

We are looking for Sponsors for Race on the Base, we lost a clinic sponsor and some other sponsors have not returned this year. Sponsor levels are not set in stone, we will be able to customize a package and there are also several branding opportunities. We are also in need of volunteers. Event will begin on Friday, February 26, 2016 with Health Expo/Package Pick Up from 1:30-7:30 p.m. To commemorate the 35th anniversary we hope to have an 80's cover band at the event. The Glow Run will begin at 6:30 p.m. and will be split into age groups. The course will be well lit, there will be lasers and black lights, glow necklaces, glow paint.

Vice Chair Wilson asked what is the status display of the MOA. Also will there be Food Vendors are allowed at ROTB?

Corey Lakin, this year we will be open to food vendors, as we will not have Denny's.

Commissioner Bell said that Baja Sonora is new in town and maybe interested in Sponsorship opportunities for ROTB. Do you have a Glow in the Dark cards and may we get approval to distribute this information in the schools.

Recreation Manager, Ron Noda will submit a request for ROTB event be approved for school distribution.

## **7. ITEMS FROM THE RECREATION & COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT**

Next Activities Guide should be delivered to your homes next week, cover featuring Race on the Base.

Winter Wonderland is on December 5, 2015, from 4-7:30 p.m., we are looking for business interested in being a part of this event. Last year was our 3rd annual and we almost tripled our participation from the first year, this is a great collaboration with the Los Alamitos Chambers of Commerce Young Professionals. Everything is free except for food and if you wish to buy goodies from the several vendors. This is an awesome event and Commissioners are encouraged to attend.

Commissioner Holiday Dinner, Tuesday, December 8, 2015, please RSVP to Trini for that if you are going to attend along with a guest/spouse. We will honor you for your service and commitment over the past year and encourage all of you to attend.

We are in need judges for the Holiday Decorating Contest for December 15, 2015 beginning at 6pm at the Community Center. Vice Chair Wilson volunteered along with Commissioner Bell and Decker.

Wishing you and your families a Happy and Wonderful Thanksgiving.

## **8. COMMISSIONER REPORTS**

Commissioner Jempsa, wanted to apologize for being late and as she has a caretaker driving her to her appointments.

Vice Chair Wilson, attended Wings, Wheels, and Rotors event and said that is was a great success. Also at this event staff was promoting ROTB 2016. I am also involved with the Winter Wonderland Committee and we are in need of sponsors and vendors.

Commission Decker, wanted to share how pleased she was with the Trunk or Treat event and loved being a costume contest judge and mentioned that it was a challenge and not easy to select a winner.

Commissioner Bell, mentioned that he and his wife enjoyed being part of the Trunk or Treat event, he was the Emcee and Linda a costume contest judge.

Chair Jorge, also mentioned that he attended the Wings, Wheels, and Rotors event and that it was well attended and commended the Chambers for organized event.

**9. ADJOURNMENT**

The Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Arts Commission adjourned at 8:59 p.m.

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Emil Jorge, Chair

Attest:

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Corey Lakin, Director  
Recreation & Community Services Department

# City of Los Alamitos

## Agenda Report Staff Report

December 2, 2015  
Item No: 6A

**To:** Emil Jorge, Chairperson & Members of the Parks, Recreation & Cultural Arts Commission

**From:** Tony Brandyberry, Public Works Superintendent

**Via:** Corey Lakin, Recreation and Community Services Director

**Subject:** State Mandated Water Restrictions Update

**Summary:** This agenda item is to update the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Arts Commission on water conservation efforts and results thus far throughout the City-managed water meters.

**Recommendation:** Commission receive and File

## Background

Statewide, California is currently entering the fourth year of one of the worst droughts in its history. One of the driest years on record was 2013, while 2014 was the warmest year on record for California. Snow pack levels for 2014 were at a historic low of only 20% of average, while April of 2015 saw a shocking 5% of average. Many regions of the state have been severely impacted prompting Governor Brown to require Californians to reduce their daily water use by 25% compared to water use from 2013. Locally in Orange County we have prepared for dry periods like this, but water reserves throughout the state are being rapidly depleting. On April 1, 2015, Governor Brown imposed emergency regulations for statewide water conservation calling for, among other things, a reduction of 25% for all water suppliers.

On April 14, 2015, Metropolitan Water District of Southern California (MET) activated their Water Supply Allocation Plan – Level 3. As a result, our local regional water supplier, Municipal Water District of Orange County (MWDOC) activated its own Water Supply Allocation Plan at Level 3 which equates to roughly a 15% reduction of imported water use among its 28 member agencies. As per the plan, each member agency will receive a water use reduction target that will contribute to the 15% region-wide reduction needed within the service area.

In Los Alamitos, Golden State Water (our local water district) has mandated the target to a 16% water reduction for each and every water meter (not a total reduction for all meters combined).

### **Executive Order B-29-15**

Due to California's ongoing drought, depleted water supplies, limited precipitation, record low snowpack, reduced groundwater supplies, and the distinct possibility of the drought extending into 2016 and beyond, the following orders and provisions that apply to the City of Los Alamitos are contained within this executive order:

1. Extends and continues Executive Orders B-26-14 and B-28-14.
2. Achieve a state-wide 25% reduction compared to water usage in 2013; requiring agencies with high per capita use to achieve proportionally greater reductions than those with low use.
3. Statewide partnership with local agencies to replace 50 million square feet of lawns and ornamental turf with drought tolerant landscapes.
4. Commercial, industrial and institutional properties to reduce potable water usage consistent with reduction targets.
5. Irrigation of ornamental turf on public street medians with potable water is prohibited.
6. Irrigation of newly constructed homes and buildings with potable water that is not delivered by drip or micro-spray systems is prohibited.
7. Urban water suppliers are to identify, develop, and adopt rate structures and other pricing mechanisms to maximize water conservation.
8. Provide monthly information on water usage, conservation, and enforcement on a permanent basis.

### **State Water Resources Control Board Resolution 2015-0013**

As directed by Executive Order B-29-15 the State Water Resources Control Board (Water Board) passed Resolution 2015-0013 which includes the following new End-User Requirements:

1. Application of potable water to outdoor landscaping during and within 48 hours of measurable rainfall is prohibited.
2. Serving of drinking water other than upon request in eating or drinking establishments is prohibited.
3. Operators of hotels and motels shall provide guests with the option of not having linens and towels laundered daily.
4. Failure to take any action required of these provisions is punishable by a fine of up to \$500 per day.

## Discussion

City Staff immediately went into action by turning off the Center Median Island irrigation and repairing any irrigation leak throughout the City. Additionally, all irrigation time clocks were set for two (2) days a week to water. This caused four trees to die off to date, which led staff to seek different ideas to remedy this issue. At first, Staff was watering each tree by hand as it is not legal to turn on the irrigation to water the tree roots, due to the turf on top of the roots. This was very labor intensive and costly. An idea was obtained at a landscaping trade show in September as a new irrigation product was introduced. This product capped off the turf grass sprinkler nozzle so the entire sprinkler did not need to be removed. Therefore, after the regulations are lifted, if the decision is made to return to turf the sprinklers are still in place. This allowed Staff to cap off every other nozzle and purchase straight stream nozzles which now provide water straight to the trunks of the median trees. This way, only trees are getting water. Staff has seen the ailing trees start to return to their healthy selves.

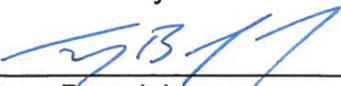
The City Parks and arterials are showing some signs of browning. The field that has taken the biggest hit thus far is McAuliffe Field. The field is inundated with goose grass weed which thrives on dry, turf grass dirt. This weed turns brown in the winter and chokes out the turf. Staff is doing everything it can to rid the field of this destructive weed. The field was shut down for its annual winter rehabilitation on Monday, November 23<sup>rd</sup>. Watering during the rehabilitation and afterwards is essential, so staff is hoping for a consistent, yet moderate "El Nino."

Staff began tracking the water consumption through our water bills. To calculate each individual meter monthly water savings, usage totals from 2015 are compared to 2013 and the difference is the reduction. Currently, 2 out of the 38 meters the City has are not saving the required 16% as mandated from Golden State Water. These two meters are the restrooms at Laurel Park (11% reduction) and a battery operated clock at the Reagan Street Median Island (no reduction). This median island clock was found to be defective after it was turned off yet continued to water. It has since been removed.

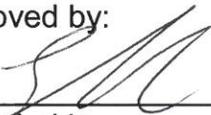
## Fiscal Impact

A savings of water costs can be expected through the months of July to March, unless the Governor extends the restrictions, then even more savings may be found. There will be landscaping that dies and will need to be replaced. Unfortunately, it is unknown at this time as to the extent of this. Currently, there are funds in the CIP Budget for center median island replanting that can be used for turf or plants.

Submitted by:

  
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Tony Brandyberry  
Public Works Superintendent

Approved by:

  
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Corey Lakin  
Recreation & Community Services Director

# City of Los Alamitos Recreation & Community Services

**Agenda Report  
Staff Report**

**December 2, 2015  
Item No: 6B**

**To:** Emil Jorge, Chairperson & Members of the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Arts Commission

**Via:** Corey Lakin, Director of Recreation & Community Services

**From:** Emily Gingras, Recreation Coordinator

**Subject:** 2016 Music and Movies Event Series Themes and Movie Selection

**Summary:** This report provides the Parks, Recreation & Cultural Arts Commission an opportunity to provide input on the movie and location options for the 2016 Music and Movies Event Series.

**Recommendation:** Commission recommend movie choices and location for the 2016 Music and Movies Event Series.

## **Background:**

The City of Los Alamitos Recreation and Community Services Department typically conducts four (4) Music and Movies events throughout the summer months. This series of free events provides the community an opportunity with a fun filled evening of activities including a live band, children's activities, arts and crafts followed by a movie. Traditionally held at either Laurel Park or the Joint Forces Training Base Pool, the Music and Movies Event Series has also included give-a-ways, raffle prizes, and refreshments. Food and refreshments are available for a nominal fee.

## **Discussion:**

The Recreation and Community Services Department invites the entire community and the Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Arts Commission to attend one or all of the events with neighbors, friends, and family. Participants are asked to bring lawn chairs and blankets to maximize their music and movie night experience.

Recreation Coordinators are primarily responsible for organizing and implementing the events. The event begins at 6:30pm with live music which concludes at 7:45pm. While

listening to live music, guests can enjoy games and arts and crafts operated by L.A.V.P. volunteers. Additionally, Recreation staff will provide a pre-movie activity for prizes, which are typically donated by local businesses and may include gift cards to local restaurants or amusement park tickets.

There will be a total of four (4) events during the summer months. Dates have yet to be determined, however, Recreation staff would like the Commission to consider utilizing three (3) different park sites for the Music and Movie event series with the fourth event held at the JFTB pool.

- 2015 Music and Movies
  - Laurel Park - 3 events
  - JFTB Pool - 1 event
  
- 2016 Proposal for Music and Movies
  - Laurel Park - 1 event
  - Little Cottonwood Park - 1 event
  - Orville R. Lewis Park - 1 event
  - JFTB Pool - 1 event

In an attempt to create community by offering a variety of activities throughout the City, Recreation staff would like the Commission to discuss and make a possible recommendation on the location for the 2016 Music and Movie Event Series. Benefits for providing a rotating schedule allows different neighborhoods the opportunity to walk to park events, enjoy a night out with friends and neighbors and build stronger neighborhood relationships. Some things to consider prior to making a recommendation is that both Orville R. Lewis Park and Little Cottonwood Park have neighboring homes, no lights, and Orville R. Lewis has no permanent restrooms.

Last year, members of the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Arts Commission were provided the opportunity to select the movies and theme nights to complement each movie. This year, commissioners are asked again to select three (3) of the theme nights and complementing movie choice. Community members will be asked to vote for the fourth movie. Recreation staff will create a ballot and community members will be able to vote by submitting a ballot at City-wide special events, the Community Center, or vote online.

In Attachment #1, Commissioners will find the voting sheet with a table containing five (5) possible themes for the four (4) Music and Movies events. Commissioners are asked to choose three (3) of the five (5) possible themes and then rank the top three (3) movies of their preference.

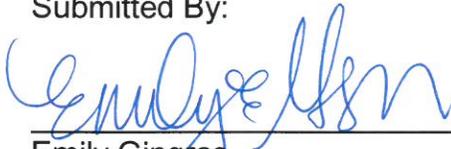
The top three (3) themes and corresponding movies will be assigned to the City's Music and Movies dates based on the film's availability and pricing. The Commission also needs to be aware of licensing restrictions for Disney films which may require Recreation staff to alter movie choices should the Disney viewing window prohibit the

availability of certain films. In the event of a tie, Recreation staff will conduct the tie-breaking vote. Attachment #2 provides a brief synopsis of each of the movies listed in Attachment #1.

**Fiscal Impact:**

Funding for the event is provided by the Recreation and Community Services Department budget, under the Fine Arts Projects line item. The budget for the four (4) events is \$3,000. City staff looks to supplement the City's funding by seeking food trucks, vendors, and sponsors.

Submitted By:



Emily Gingras  
Recreation Coordinator

Approved By:



Corey Lakin  
Recreation & Community Services Director

*Attachments:*

- 1. Voting Sheet*
- 2. Brief synopsis of each movie*

## Voting Sheet

	Hollywood Nights		Superhero's Among Us
	Minions (PG)		The Avenger's (PG-13)
	*Inside Out (PG)		Batman V Superman (PG-13)
	*The Good Dinosaur (PG)		Pan (PG)
	*Zootopia (NYR)		Batkid Begins (PG)
	Disney Classics		**Making Waves
	*Pinocchio (G)		*Finding Nemo (PG)
	*Aladdin (G)		Surf's Up (PG)
	*Mary Poppins (G)		Spongebob Movie: Sponge Out of Water (PG)
	*Toy Story (G)		Free Willy (PG)
x	Community Choice		All Star Sports
	Will take 2 <sup>nd</sup> place in each winning category and have community vote by ballot		A League of Their Own (PG)
			Rudy (PG)
			Miracle (PG)
			*Remember the Titans (PG)

\*Disney Movies are subject to Disney viewing windows

\*\*JFTB Pool Music & Movies Night

### Instructions:

Please select your top (3) themes (highlighted in YELLOW)

By checking the box to the left of that particular category (i.e. Community Choice).

Once you've selected your three (3) themes, please choose your top three (3) movies for that category on a scale of 1 to 3 (with 1 being your first choice).

## Brief Synopsis of Movies

### Theme: All Star Sports

- “Remember the Titans” (2000) Rated PG - Based on true events following the story of a high school football coach, played by Denzel Washington, who was appointed to the newly desegregated T.C. Williams High School in 1971. The story follows the struggle of the students, the players, and the coaches, and how they worked together to overcome the distrust and misunderstanding of each other.
- “Rudy” (1993) Rated PG - This film follows the hard work and determination of Daniel “Rudy” Ruettiger, who, against all odds, followed and achieved his lifelong dream of playing football and attending The University of Notre Dame.
- “Miracle” (2004) Rated PG - Miracle tells the true story of Herb Brooks (Kurt Russell), the player-turned-coach who led the 1980 U.S. Olympic hockey team to victory over the seemingly invincible Russian squad.
- “A League of their Own” (1992) Rated PG - Two sisters join the first female professional baseball league and struggle to help it succeed amidst their own growing rivalry.

### Theme: Disney Classics

- “Aladdin” (1992) Rated PG - When a street urchin vies for the love of a beautiful princess, he uses a genie's magic power to make himself off as a prince in order to marry her.
- “Pinocchio” (1940) Rated G - A living puppet, with the help of a cricket as his conscience, must prove himself worthy to become a real boy.
- “Mary Poppins” (1964) Rated G - A magic nanny comes to work for a cold banker's unhappy family.
- “Toy Story” (1995) Rated G - Toy Story is about the secret life of toys when people aren't around. Woody is a drawstring cowboy doll, played by Tom Hanks, and is jealous of the new-toy-in-town, spaceman action figure Buzz Lightyear, played by Tim Allen. Though they dislike each other, Woody and Buzz must ban together to survive when they find themselves in the outside world.

### Theme: Making Waves

- “Free Willy” (1993) Rated PG - Fisherman separate a young orca whale, Willy, from his family and he ends up at an aquarium, where he is being trained to do tricks for a show. Meanwhile, a foster kid named Jesse gets into some trouble

vandalizing the marina, and while cleaning up his mess, develops a bond with the whale, and is able to teach him new tricks., When Willy fails to perform in front of an audience, Jesse learns of the aquarium owners plans to kill the whale, and risks everything to free him.

- “Finding Nemo” (2004) Rated PG - After his son is captured in the Great Barrier Reef and taken to Sydney, a timid clownfish sets out on a journey to bring him home.
- “Surf’s Up” (2007) Rated PG - A behind-the-scenes look at the annual Penguin World Surfing Championship, and its newest participant, up-and-comer Cody Maverick.
- “Spongebob Movie: Sponge Out of Water” (2015) Rated PG - When a diabolical pirate above the sea steals the secret Krabby Patty formula, SpongeBob and his nemesis Plankton must team up in order to get it back.

### **Theme: Hollywood Nights**

- “Minions” (2015) Rated PG - Minions Stuart, Kevin and Bob are recruited by Scarlett Overkill, a super-villain who, alongside her inventor husband Herb, hatches a plot to take over the world.
- “The Good Dinosaur” (2015) Rated PG - An epic journey into the world of dinosaurs where an Apatosaurus named Arlo makes an unlikely human friend.
- “Inside Out” (2015) Rated PG - After young Riley is uprooted from her Midwest life and moved to San Francisco, her emotions - Joy, Fear, Anger, Disgust and Sadness - conflict on how best to navigate a new city, house, and school.
- “Zootopia” (2016) Not Yet Rated - In the animal city of Zootopia, a fast-talking fox who’s trying to make it big goes on the run when he’s framed for a crime he didn’t commit. Zootopia’s top cop, a self-righteous rabbit, is hot on his tail, but when both become targets of a conspiracy, they’re forced to team up and discover even natural enemies can become best friends.

### **Theme: Superheroes Among Us**

- “Pan” (2015) Rated PG - 12-year-old orphan Peter is spirited away to the magical world of Neverland, where he finds both fun and danger, and ultimately discovers his destiny -- to become the hero who will be forever known as Peter Pan.
- “The Avenger’s” (2012) Rated PG-13 - Earth’s mightiest heroes must come together and learn to fight as a team if they are to stop the mischievous Loki and his alien army from enslaving humanity.

- “Batman V. Superman” (2016) Rated PG-13 - Fearing the actions of a god-like Super Hero left unchecked, Gotham City's own formidable, forceful vigilante takes on Metropolis' most revered, modern-day savior, while the world wrestles with what sort of hero it really needs. And with Batman and Superman at war with one another, a new threat quickly arises, putting mankind in greater danger than it's ever known before.
- “Batkid Begins” (2015) Rated PG - On one day, in one city, the world comes together to grant one 5 year old cancer patient his wish. Batkid Begins looks at the 'why' of this flash phenomenon.

# City of Los Alamitos

## Recreation & Community Services

**Agenda Report**  
**Staff Report**

**December 2, 2015**  
**Item No: 6C**

**To:** Emil Jorge, Chairperson  
Members of the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Arts Commission

**From:** Corey Lakin, Recreation & Community Services Director

**Subject:** Art Exhibition

**Summary:** Commissioners continue to discuss, define and develop a new Los Alamitos art exhibition.

**Recommendation:** Commission continue to provide feedback and direction on the planning of a city art exhibition.

### **Background:**

On October 7, 2015, Parks, Recreation and Cultural Arts Commissioners discussed their desire for the City of Los Alamitos to host a fine arts exhibition in the City in order to bring additional cultural arts programming to the City. Discussion ranged from reinstating the Photography Contest to the creation of a three-day festival. The Commission requested staff work with Commissioner Michael Bell to put together a plan and bring it back to the Commission. On November 4, 2015, staff presented the development of the art exhibition to the entire Commission, who continued to further define the art exhibit and provide staff further direction on the details of the event.

### **Discussion:**

Based on the several recommendations of the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Arts (PRCA) Commission, below is the plan for an art exhibition in Los Alamitos

- 3-day Visual Art Exhibition (with drop off of pieces Monday-Thursday before exhibit, during normal business hours)
  - Friday – 5-8pm
  - Saturday – 10am-5pm
  - Sunday – 12pm-5pm (Awards Day & Item pickup)

- Spring (late April-May)
- Visual Arts include:
  - Sculptures
  - Pottery
  - Ceramics
  - Jewelry
  - Photography
  - Painting
  - Drawing
  - Fiber Arts
  - Woodworking
- Awards issued to age divisions for each art category
  - Display “Mayor’s Award” in Council Chamber or City Hall
  - Display “PRCA Commissioners’ Award” in Community Center
- Entries limited to one object/piece per person (size limited to 4’ x 8’)
- Artists must submit piece ready for display (matted/framed, with a pedestal or case, wire for hanging, etc.)
- Guest Curator: Commissioner Michael Bell
- Each artist must submit a 3” x 5” label for their piece to include:
  - Artist Name
  - Title of Piece
  - Year Made
  - Medium (type of materials used)
  - Whether the piece is for sale or not (no selling during the exhibition)
  - Website/Business Card (if desired)
- Each artist is welcome to submit a one-page resume and a one-page history about him/herself and back-story about the piece, website, business card, etc.
- No entry fee
  - Artists will receive a no charge receipt when submitting piece with:
    - Name
    - Title
    - Medium
    - Value
  - Artists will be required to sign a waiver indicating they enter at their own risk and leave their pieces of art at their own risk/self-insured
  - Artists indicate who can pick up the piece on Sunday
- All ages and abilities welcome
- No geographic limitations to artists (open to all)
- Encourage participation from:
  - LAUSD
  - Contract Classes
  - Local Businesses/Organizations
  - Local art venues & organizations

Items that still need to be determined:

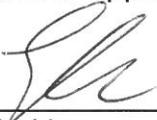
- Official title of art exhibition
- Specific date/weekend of event
- Budget
  - Sponsors
  - Vendors
  - General Fund Request
- Awards
  - Quantity
  - Age Divisions breakdown
  - Judge selection
  - Type (ribbons, acrylic, plaque, monetary)

As the event planning proceeds, staff will continue to bring back plans to the PRCA Commission for additional feedback. Staff will continue to seek other local government agencies who offer similar types of events to determine other regulations, policies or procedures. New or changing ideas are welcomed and encouraged as the event continues to be planned. All of the recommendations are open for discussion, however, the Spring Activities Guide will be going print on January 28<sup>th</sup>, and so final decisions will need to be made prior to then, if the event is to be held in 2016. However, funding for this event from the General Fund would likely not be appropriated until the mid-year budget process, which will likely take place in February, 2016.

**Fiscal Impact:**

The art exhibition is not currently budgeted in the 2015-2016 City Budget. Cost estimates will vary based on quantity and quality of awards, food, staff preparation, marketing/advertising, and/or other activities that may be planned as a part of the event. Rough estimates for staff time, marketing and awards are \$3,000-4,000, but are dependent on the number of categories offered and number and type of prizes provided to the winners. If sponsors and/or vendors are sought for the event, some revenue could be generated, but the amount is unknown since it is a first-time event and the attendance is difficult to predict. In order to budget for the event, an item would need to be brought to the City Council, asking for an appropriation of funding from the General Fund Reserves, since the event is not currently budgeted. This would typically be done during the mid-year budget process, which will likely be in February 2016.

Submitted & Approved By:




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Corey Lakin  
Recreation & Community Services Director