

REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

RESOLUTION: 2013-34

SUBJECT: Approval of the Public Art Master Plan as an amendment to the Lakewood Comprehensive Plan.

ADDRESS: N/A

RECOMMENDATION: That City Council approves the Public Art Master Plan as an amendment to the Lakewood Comprehensive Plan.

FUNDING SOURCE: N/A

SUMMARY AND BACKGROUND OF SUBJECT MATTER: The Public Art Master Plan was adopted as an amendment to the Lakewood Comprehensive Plan by Planning Commission on May 22, 2013 by a unanimous vote. The Planning Commission was supportive of the Plan and the planning process. The City Council reviewed the Plan during a study session on June 17, 2013.

The plan outlines a cohesive vision for the implementation of Lakewood's public art program. This vision, consistently reinforced by public comment, interviews and surveys, reaffirms the community's desire for a structured public art program that will benefit residents and visitors by enhancing public spaces and contributing to the economic vitality of the City of Lakewood. The program will be managed by the Heritage Culture and Arts Division of the Community Resources Department. Specific goals and action steps outlined in the plan include implementing a public art program to enliven and enhance spaces throughout the City; securing and managing funding for the program; pursuing collaboration with community groups and other organizations to create opportunities for public art; and promoting the benefits of public art and the arts in general through education and advocacy.

Public engagement was essential to the creation of the Public Art Master Plan. A citizen steering committee comprised of approximately two dozen individuals representing various arts, business, and community organizations, as well as individual Lakewood artists, guided the creation of the plan. Other elements of the public process included stakeholder interviews with key property owners, managers and developers in Lakewood; a widely promoted survey; and two open houses.

The Public Art Master Plan is consistent with the goals of the Lakewood Comprehensive Plan and the Community Resources Master Plan. Both plans identify the importance of public art and its potential to enhance places and promote cultural development.

RESOLUTION ADOPTION DATE: July 8, 2013

ORIGINATED BY: Community Resources and Planning

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DOCUMENTS ATTACHED: Resolution 2013-34
Public Art Master Plan
Memorandum dated June 19, 2013
Planning Commission Resolution

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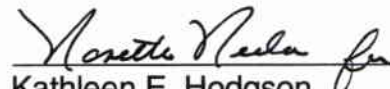
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