



PARKS, ARTS, RECREATION, & CULTURAL COMMISSION MEETING AGENDA

6:30 PM - Tuesday, March 19, 2024

***Los Altos Community Center, Sequoia Room
97 Hillview Ave, Los Altos, CA 94022***

PARTICIPATION: Members of the public may participate by being present at the Los Altos Community Center, Sequoia Room, 97 Hillview Ave, Los Altos, CA 94022. Public comment is accepted in person at the physical meeting location, or via email to PARCPublicComment@losaltosca.gov.

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The Chair will open public comment and will announce the length of time provided for comments during each item.

ESTABLISH QUORUM**CALL MEETING TO ORDER****PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE****PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA**

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ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION/ACTION

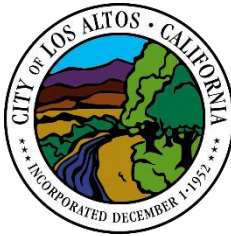
1. **Minutes**: Approve minutes of February 20, 2024, regular meeting
2. **Museum Land Acknowledgement in Civic Center**: presentation of concept and request for support from PARC
3. **Discussion on Collaboration with Arts Los Altos**: Discuss how PARC can possibly collaborate with Arts Los Altos and identify barriers or issues
4. **Call for Art RFQ Submission Review**: The PARC will consider creating an Ad-Hoc Committee to evaluate the artist RFQ submission for the Council Chamber Steps Call for Art

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**COMMISSION/SUB-COMMITTEE/STAFF ORAL REPORTS AND REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

- Redwood Grove pathway
- Art Tours
- Back in Lieu/ Art Fund Presentation: Finance/PW
- Grant Park movement of art
- Juneteenth event

ADJOURNMENT**SPECIAL NOTICES TO THE PUBLIC**

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6:30 PM - Tuesday, February 20, 2024

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97 Hillview Avenue, Los Altos, CA***

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Chair Valadez called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM

ESTABLISH QUORUM

Present: Chair Valadez, Vice Chair Corrigan, Commissioners Morris, Couture, and Moore

Absent: Commissioners Wang and Yeh

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION/ACTION

- 1. Minutes:** Approve minutes of the Parks, Arts, Recreation, & Cultural Commission regular meetings of November 21, 2023 and January 16, 2024

Public Comment: None

Action: Commissioner Couture moved to approve the minutes of the Parks, Arts, Recreation, and Cultural Commission regular meetings of November 21, 2023 and January 16, 2024 as amended, and Vice Chair Corrigan seconded the motion.

Approve: Valadez, Corrigan, Morris, Couture

Oppose: None

Abstain: None

Motion passed, unanimously: 4-0-0

COMMISSION MOORE ARRIVED LATE AT 6:50 PM

2. Ramadan Events: Request Art Fund Support for Co-Sponsored Cultural Event

Public Comment: Community member John Corrigan

Action: Based on the discussion [during the February 20, 2024 meeting], comments from the public, and that this [request was] not in accordance with the Commission's Work Plan, [Vice Chair Corrigan] moved that this request for partnership and funding be denied. Commissioner Moore seconded the motion.

Commissioner Morris offered a friendly amendment of adding the words "at this time" at the beginning of the motion. Vice Chair Corrigan declined the friendly amendment.

Approve: Corrigan, Morris, Couture, Moore

Oppose: Valadez

Abstain: None

Motion passed: 4-1-0

3. Joine Meeting Review: Review Parks, Arts, Recreation, & Cultural Commission's joint meeting with City Council

Public Comment: None

Action: None

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**COMMISSION/SUB-COMMITTEE/STAFF ORAL REPORTS AND REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

- Redwood Grove pathway
- Museum oak tree replacement (Mar)
- Bike & Walk Art Tours (tbd)
- Dog Park plans (Mar)
- Art brochure / list of artwork/assets & loans (informational item)
- Status update on art repairs (informational item)

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Valadez adjourned the meeting at 9:07 PM



PARKS, ARTS, RECREATION AND CULTURAL COMMISSION AGENDA REPORT

Meeting Date: March 19, 2024

Subject: Museum Land Acknowledgement in Civic Center

Prepared by: Manny A. Hernandez, Parks & Recreation Director

Initiated by: Staff

Attachment(s): Museum presentation

Staff Recommendation

Receive presentation from the Los Altos History Museum

Environmental Review:

Not applicable

Summary/Project Description:

The Los Altos History Museum is planning to install a land acknowledgement to the local indigenous people in the location of the oak tree that was recently removed.

Fiscal Impact:

None

Discussion/Analysis

Land acknowledgement is part of the process of reconciliation with native American tribes in the United States. This recognizes that indigenous people had long-term, legitimate, and important right to land. It acknowledges that local tribe(s) lost access to their land in a process that was not fair and equitable and thanks them for stewardship of the land and their continued presence in the area.



Land Acknowledgement

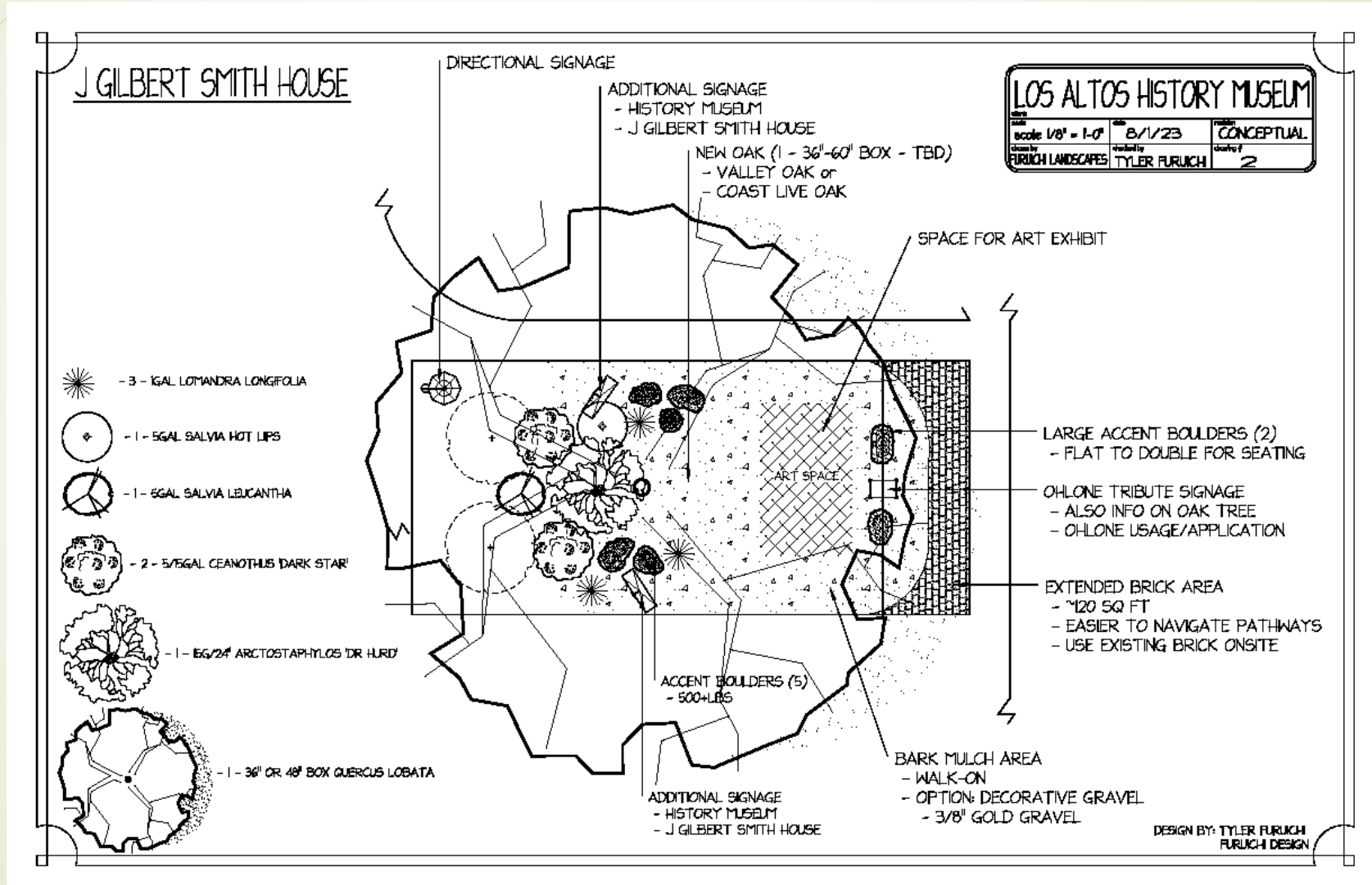
In the Civic Center



What is a Land Acknowledgement?

- ▶ Part of a process of reconciliation with Native American tribes in the United States
- ▶ Recognizes that Indigenous People had a long-term, legitimate, and important right to land
- ▶ Acknowledges that local tribe(s) lost access to their land in a process that was not fair and equitable
- ▶ Thanks them for stewardship of the land and their continued presence in the area
- ▶ Further reading: <https://nativegov.org/news/a-guide-to-indigenous-land-acknowledgment/>

Proposed Site in Civic Center





PARKS, ARTS, RECREATION AND CULTURAL COMMISSION AGENDA REPORT

Meeting Date: March 19, 2024

Subject: Discussion on Collaboration with Arts Los Altos

Prepared by: Manny A. Hernandez, Parks & Recreation Director

Initiated by: Commission

Attachment(s): None

Staff Recommendation

Discuss how PARC can possibly collaborate with Arts Los Altos and identify any barriers or issues to accomplish this.

Environmental Review:

Not applicable

Summary/Project Description:

The Arts Los Altos organization that works with private property owners downtown to increase the presence of art for the public has reached out on several occasions to the City and the PARC requesting partnerships and offering support.

Fiscal Impact:

None

Discussion/Analysis

Discuss how PARC can possibly collaborate with Arts Los Altos and identify any barriers or issues to accomplish this.



PARKS, ARTS, RECREATION AND CULTURAL COMMISSION AGENDA REPORT

Meeting Date: March 19, 2024

Subject: Call for Art Submission Review

Prepared by: Manny A. Hernandez, Parks & Recreation Director

Initiated by: Staff

Attachment(s): None

Staff Recommendation

The PARC will consider creating an Ad-Hoc Committee to evaluate the artist submissions for the Council Chamber Steps Call for Art.

Environmental Review:

Not applicable

Summary/Project Description:

Through the Café' system, the Parks & Recreation Department received 11 responsive proposals to the Request for Qualifications that was posted for the Council Chambers steps Call for Art. The submitted letters and qualifications listings need to be reviewed in order to possibly select an artist for this project.

Fiscal Impact:

None

Discussion/Analysis

The PARC will consider creating an Ad-Hoc Committee to evaluate the artist submissions for the Council Chamber Steps Call for Art. The commission can also discuss the process in making a final artist selection.