

# NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING

Pursuant to Section 54954.2 of the Government Code of the State of California, a Regular Meeting of the **TRACY ARTS COMMISSION** is hereby called for:

**Date/Time:** **Tuesday, April 11, 2023, 7:00 p.m.**  
(or as soon thereafter as possible)

**Location:** **Grand Theatre Center for the Arts, Visual Arts 1**  
**715 Central Avenue, Tracy, CA 95376**

Government Code Section 54954.3 states that every public meeting shall provide an opportunity for the public to address the Tracy Arts Commission on any item, before or during consideration of the item, however, no action shall be taken on any item not on the agenda.

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Items from the Audience - *In accordance with Procedures for Preparation, Posting and Distribution of Agendas and the Conduct of Public Meetings, adopted by Resolution 2019-240, any item not on the agenda brought up by the public at a meeting shall be automatically referred to staff. If staff is not able to resolve the matter satisfactorily, the member of the public may request a Tracy Arts Commission member to sponsor the item for discussion at a future meeting.*
4. Receive Update on the Multi-Generational Recreation Center Project and Provide Feedback Regarding the Consideration of Civic Art Projects
5. Approval of Minutes from the Meeting of March 14, 2023
6. Receive 2022 Granting Program Update
7. New Business
  - A. Review and Approve 2023 Granting Program Applicant Proposals
  - B. Begin Discussion of Downtown Tracy Artwalk 2023
8. Old Business
  - A. Continue Discussion of Programming for Tracy Arts Month, April 2023
9. Items from the Commission
10. Items from Staff
11. Adjournment

## **POSTED: April 6, 2023**

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**CITY OF TRACY  
TRACY ARTS COMMISSION MEETING  
APRIL 11, 2023**

**AGENDA ITEM 4**

REQUEST

**RECEIVE UPDATE ON THE MULTI-GENERATIONAL RECREATION CENTER PROJECT AND PROVIDE FEEDBACK REGARDING THE CONSIDERATION OF CIVIC ART PROJECTS**

DISCUSSION

In 2018, the City Council approved the Multi-Generational Recreation Center (Rec Center) as a major amenity that would be funded by Measure V sales tax revenue providing a space to serve a broad spectrum of the City's demographics, including families, teen, seniors and commuters. Projected to be a 30,000+ square foot facility, this facility may include Council program priorities such as: a gymnasium, outdoor recreational amenities, multi-purpose spaces, a library/tech space, a lobby/lounge area, and a teaching kitchen. In February of 2021, the City Council hired LPA, Inc., a California Corporation (LPA) to lead the design process for the new facility.

In July, 2022 the City Council declared El Pescadero Park as the site of the Rec Center, and the project moved into the schematic design phase. Parks and Recreation Department Staff and LPA provided an orientation presentation to the Tracy Arts Commission (TAC) in consideration of Civic Art projects.

Discussion continued in August and September with the TAC and Cultural Arts Division (CAD) Staff, in order to provide a set of recommendations regarding the integration of public art into this facility and the surrounding park area. In October 2022, the TAC reviewed and approved the Multi-generational Recreation Center Civic Art Recommendations:

The TAC recommends a central concept that references time, growth and knowledge as universal experiences. The TAC feels this is important to bring continuity to the environmental design and public art components of the Multi-Generational Recreation Center. This central concept should be carried across a series of Civic Art projects to aid in the transformation of El Pescadero Park as a new activated, engaging and welcoming attraction in the City of Tracy.

Commissioners identified, prioritized and recommend the following locations:

- exterior entry driveway = pathway to facility and park
- exterior play/meet congregation points = multipurpose and interactive
- exterior entryway landmark = inviting gateway arch or gate welcoming visitors to the facility and park
- interior lobby/lounge/climbing wall = floor design pathway and/or suspended sculptural element(s)
- interior hallways/running track/rooms = repeating or continued (secondary) visual elements that connect the exterior to/through the other interior spaces

Commissioners identified and recommend the following themes and concepts:

- generational time = people and places of Tracy, across time, past, present & future
- growth = mental, physical and community
- knowledge = journey to/of universal experiences

Discussion will continue regarding the integration of public art into the new building and the surrounding park site as needed in 2023.

#### FISCAL IMPACT

The cost of this presentation to the TAC is covered within the existing professional services agreement between the City of Tracy and LPA.

#### RECOMMENDATION

Receive update on the Multi-Generational Recreation Center project and provide feedback regarding the consideration of Civic Art Projects.

Prepared By: William Wilson, Cultural Arts Supervisor

Richard Joaquin, Park Planning & Development Manager

Reviewed By: Anna Cross, Cultural Arts Division Manager

Approved By: Anna Cross, Cultural Arts Division Manager

#### ATTACHMENTS

Attachment A – PowerPoint presentation

# City of Tracy Multi-Generational Recreation Center

Tracy , California

Arts Commission Meeting  
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# Arts Commission Central Concept

Time, growth and knowledge as universal experiences

recommended locations:

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**prior to 1800's**

**1869**

**1950's**

**1980's**

Yokuts - Indigenous Peoples of the San Joaquin Valley

Railroad Expands

Agriculture Grows

Town to City

*gathering and hunting*

*connecting*

*growing*

*migrating*



# Overall Site Plan

## LEGEND

- ① NORTH-SOUTH PROMENADE Tree-lined main pedestrian/bike path, secondary walkways
- ①a MONUMENT SIGNS Entry monument at main and neighborhood promenade entry
- ② PARKING AND DROP OFF New +/- 167 spaces & drop-off area
- ③ BUS STOP New public bus stop
- ④ PAVILION Multifunctional shade structure: stage / outdoor community room / picnic area
- ⑤ MULTI-USE LAWN New sod lawn, with amphitheatre seating along south end
- ⑥ PLAYGROUND & SPLASH PAD Existing play equipment to remain, upgrade surfacing, add 1,200 sf splash pad
- ⑦ DOG PARK New dog park (small/large dogs) with fencing, sitting area, drinking fountain and dog play amenities
- ⑧ SKATE PARK New skatepark with fencing, sitting area and drinking fountain
- ⑨ BASKETBALL COURT New full basketball court w/ Plexipave surfacing and basketball hoop, play tables and sitting area
- ⑩ STORMWATER GARDENS Meandering stormwater swale gardens
- ⑪ NATURE WALK & FITNESS LOOP Decomposed granite walks , sitting areas and fitness stations
- ⑫ PLANTING New drought tolerant planting for entire park
- ⑬ CMU BLOCK WALL Existing capital project with funding to continue existing wall

# Overall view



# Grant Line Entry Plaza



# Pavilion and Great Lawn



# Dog Park



# Pavilion and Great Lawn





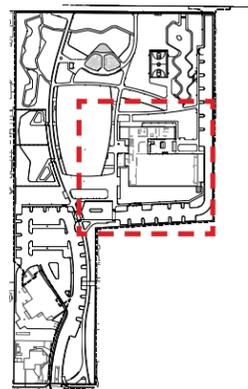
# Building Entry / Courtyard



## LEGEND

- ① BUILDING ENTRY PLAZA
- ② MULTI-USE COURTYARD
- ③ FOOD TRUCK PLAZA
- ④ SERVICE AREA
- ⑤ STORMWATER GARDENS
- ⑥ BIKE PARKING
- ⑦ PARKING
- ⑧ THE GREAT LAWN
- ⑨ THE PAVILION
- ⑩ THE GROVE
- ⑪ PICNIC
- ⑫ VEHICLE DROP-OFF
- ⑬ PEDESTRIAN CROSSING

SERVICE ACCESS



# Building Entry / Courtyard



# Building Entry / Courtyard



# Building Courtyard

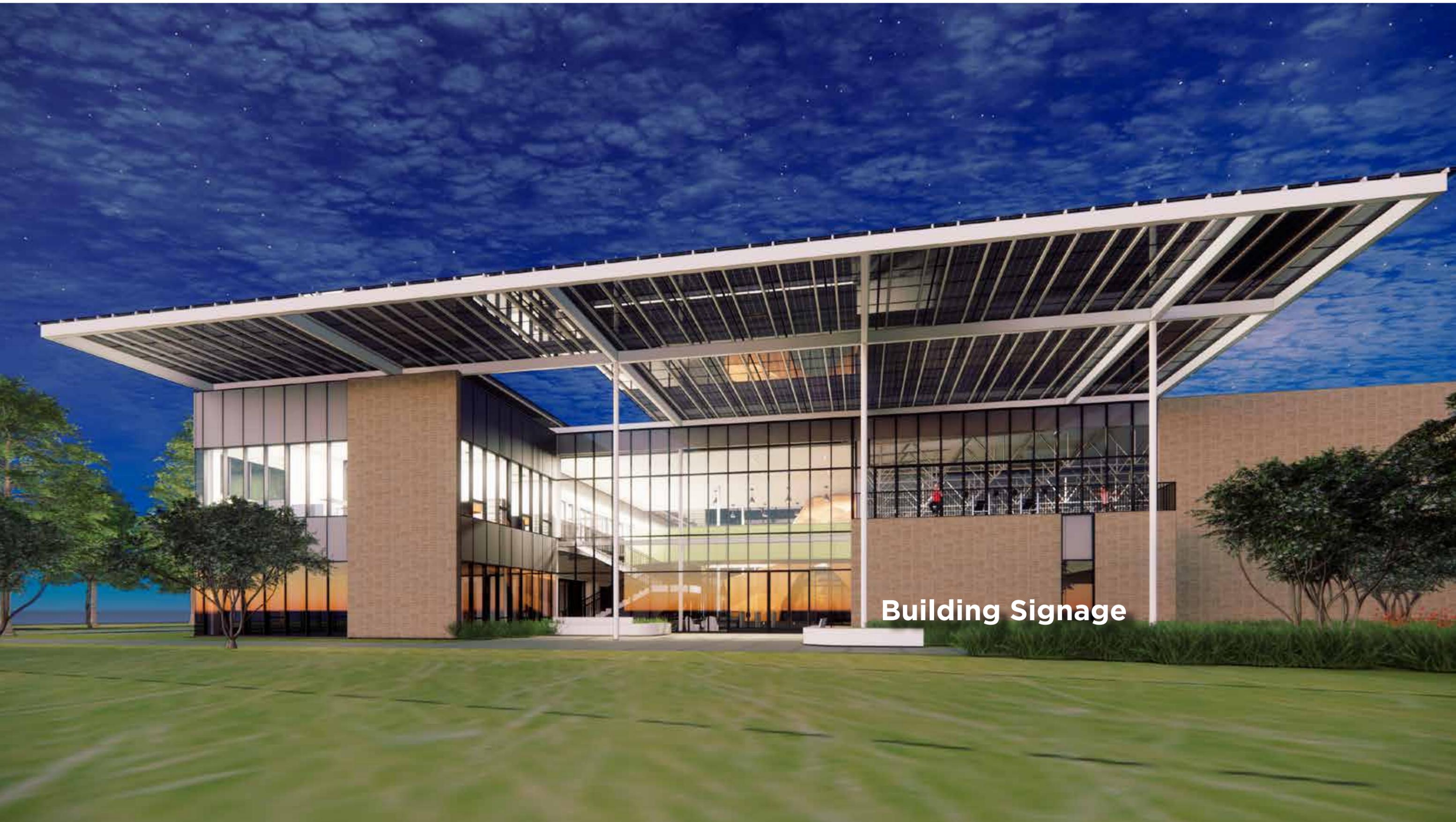


# Building Courtyard



# Building entry sequence





**Building Signage**

# Building exterior







# Building exterior



### Proposed 2D Public Art Locations

1



Multipurpose and interactive

2



Multipurpose and interactive

3



Exterior entry driveway = pathway to facility and park

### Proposed 3D Public Art Locations

4

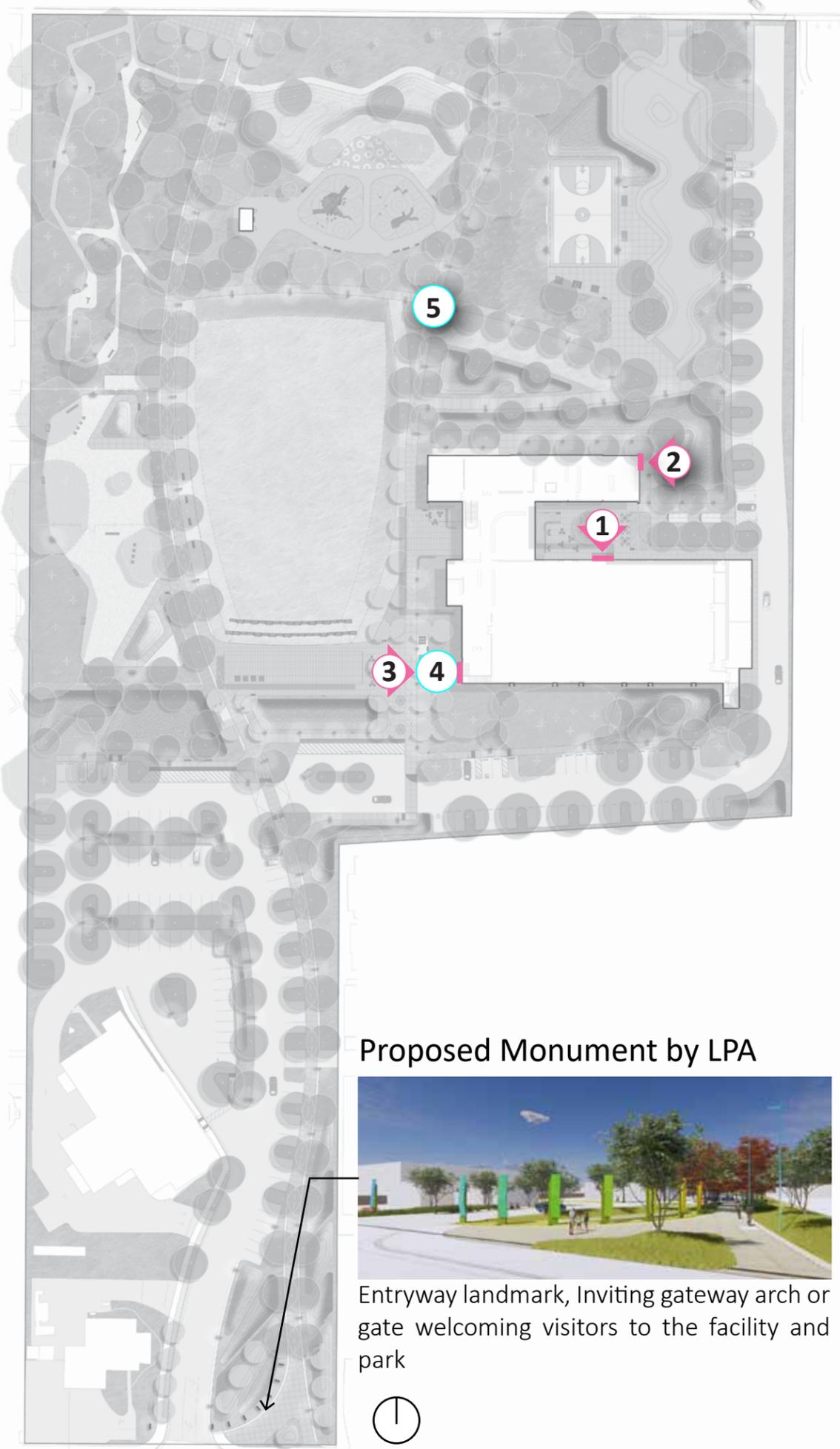


Exterior entry driveway = pathway to facility and park

5



Play/meet congregation points



### Proposed Monument by LPA



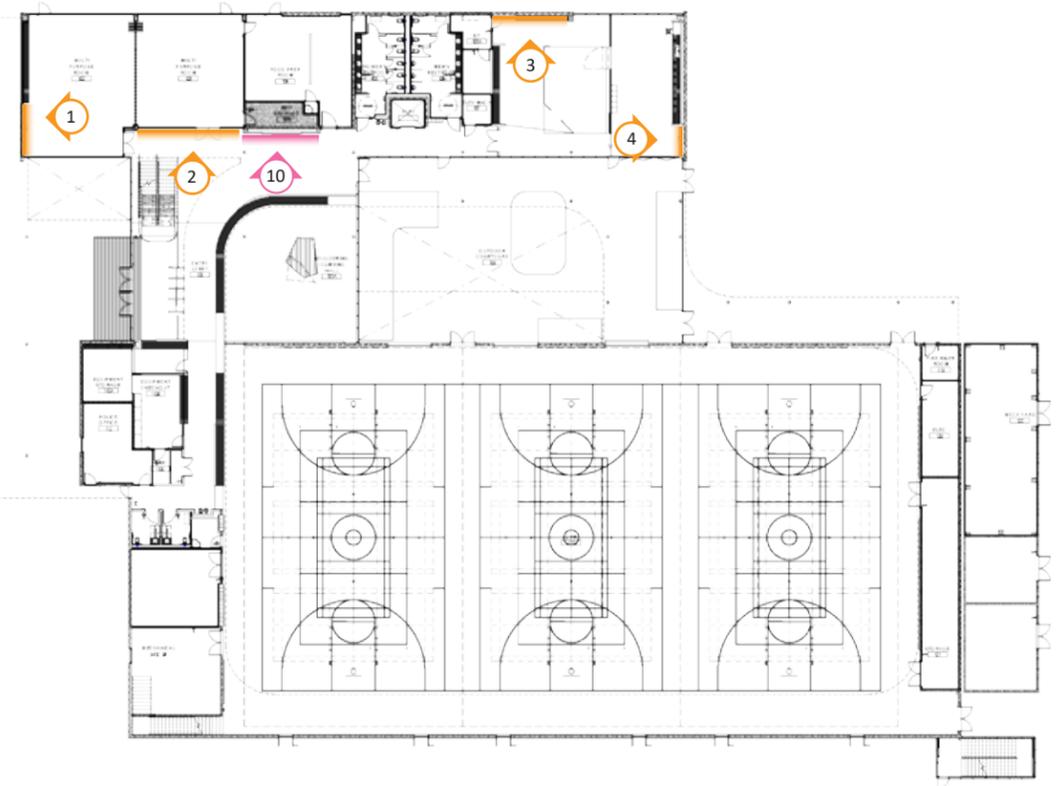
Entryway landmark, Inviting gateway arch or gate welcoming visitors to the facility and park



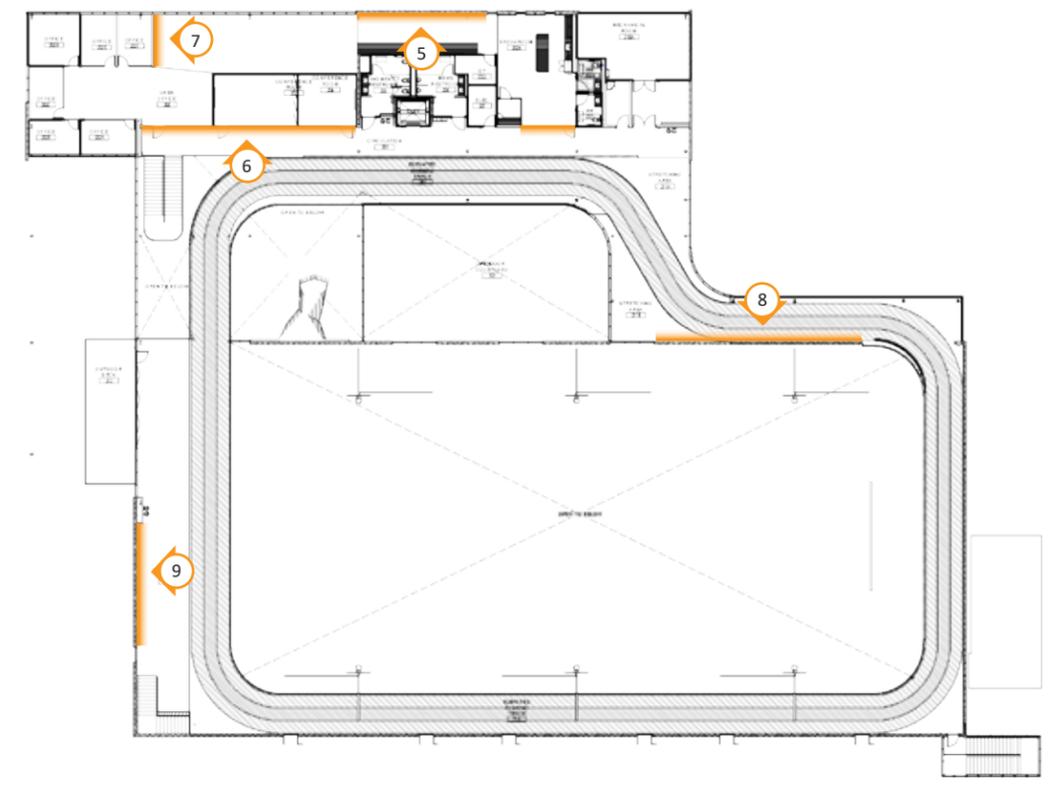
### Proposed Wall Graphics by LPA

Interior lobby/lounge/climbing wall = floor pathway and/or suspended element(s)

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01 - FIRST FLOOR



02 - SECOND FLOOR



MPR ROOMS



LOBBY AT MPR ROOMS



TEEN LOUNGE



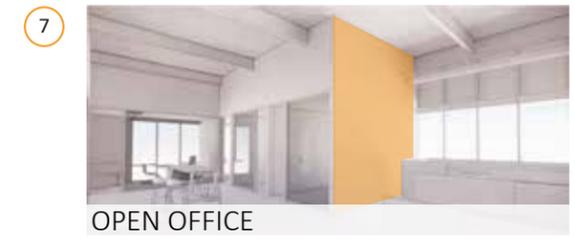
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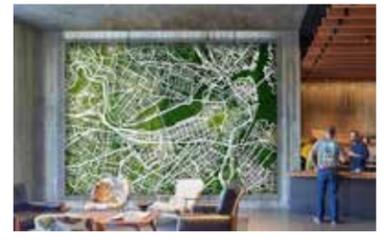
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2ND FLOOR AT CONFERENCE ROOMS



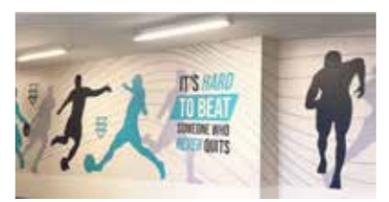
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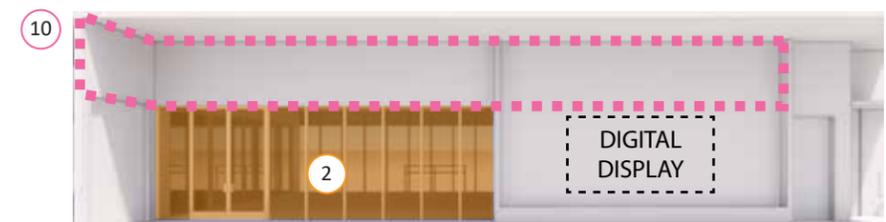
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FUNCTIONAL FITNESS



### Proposed 2D Public Art Locations



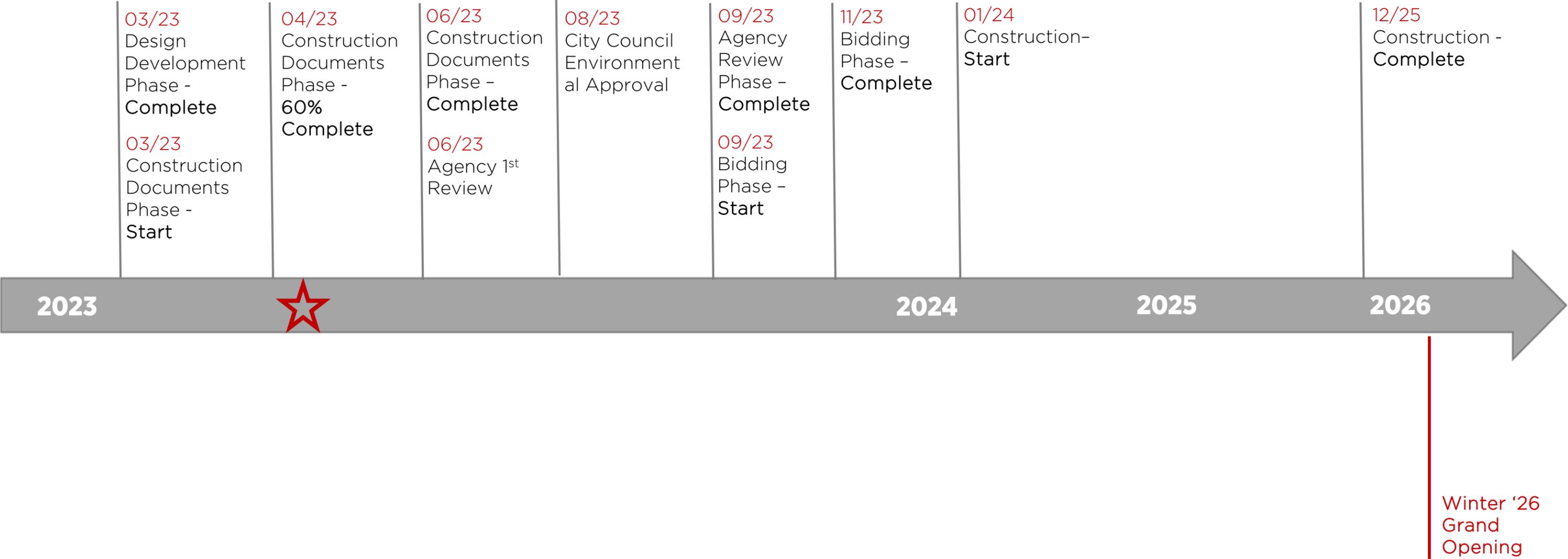
LOBBY AT MPR ROOMS

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# Current Project Schedule



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TRACY ARTS COMMISSION  
MEETING MINUTES  
March 14, 2023, 7:00 p.m.

Grand Theatre Center for the Arts, 715 Central Avenue

Chair Reis called the meeting to order at 7:08 p.m.

Roll call found Commissioners Dhugga, Lees, Reis, Sandhu and Skinner present.

Staff Present: William Wilson, Cultural Arts Supervisor  
Anna Cross, Cultural Arts Division Manager

Recorded By: William Wilson, Cultural Arts Supervisor

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE REGULAR MEETING ON FEBRUARY 14, 2023

**ACTION** Motion by Commissioner Lees, seconded by Vice Chair Dhugga to approve the minutes as submitted. Voice vote found all in favor; motion carried 5:0

2. ITEMS FROM THE AUDIENCE

None.

3. NOMINATE TWO COMMISSIONERS TO SERVE THE POET LAUREATE COMMITTEE

CAM Wilson provide the Staff Report. Chair Reis and Commissioner Lees volunteered to serve the Poet Laureate Committee. Commissioner Skinner volunteered to serve as an alternate if needed.

4. CONTINUE DISCUSSION OF PROGRAMMING FOR TRACY ARTS MONTH, APRIL 2023

CAM Wilson provided the Staff Report. Vice Chair Dhugga advised she has confirmed Tony Gapastione, Creative Director at BraveMaker, to present an Audition & Reel Workshop from 10 am to 12 pm on Saturday, April 22. She continues to work to secure an instructor/presenter for a Special Effects Make-up Workshop.

5. CONTINUE DISCUSSION OF 2022 ANNUAL REPORT FOR CITY COUNCIL

CAM Wilson provided the Staff Report. Chair Reis asked Commissioners to provide her with introductions. Commissioners reviewed talking points in preparation for the upcoming presentation on March 21.

6. ITEMS FROM THE COMMISSION

Commissioners gave brief summaries of their activities relating to arts and culture within the last month.

7. ITEMS FROM STAFF

CAM Wilson announced the upcoming deadline to receive applications for the 2023 Granting Program is Monday, March 27 at 5 pm. He advised that the April 11 agenda is large, and continued discussion of the 2022 Annual Report to City Council will be deferred to the Regular Meeting on May 9.

CADM Cross announced the upcoming Arts Month Proclamation at the City Council meeting on April 4, and upcoming Presenting Season programming at the Grand.

8. ADJOURNMENT – Time: 8:10 p.m.

**ACTION** Motion by Commissioner Lees, seconded by Vice Chair Dhugga to adjourn.  
Roll call vote found all in favor; passed and so ordered.

The above agenda was posted at the Tracy City Hall on March 9, 2023. The above are action minutes. Materials distributed to the majority of the Tracy Arts Commission, staff records and/or audio recording is available in the Cultural Arts Division located at 715 Central Avenue.

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**AGENDA ITEM 6**

REQUEST

**RECEIVE 2022 GRANTING PROGRAM UPDATE**

DISCUSSION

The Tracy Arts Commission (TAC) reviewed and approved the 2022 Granting Program proposals at the meeting of May 10, 2022. The 2022 Granting Program awarded \$3,000 (three \$1,000 grants) to the Sister City Association of Tracy, Tiffanie Heben, and the Tracy Art League. Recipients are required to provide quarterly updates for their projects to Cultural Arts Division (CAD) Staff, as well as a Final Report:

**Sister City Association of Tracy (Patricia Hand)**

Project Update 01 due by Monday, July 11, 2022  
Final Report due by Tuesday, August 30, 2022

**Tiffanie Heben**

Project Update 01 due by Thursday, July 28, 2022  
Project Update 02 due by Monday, October 10, 2022  
Final Report due by Monday, November 28, 2022

**Tracy Art League (Mike McLellan)**

Project Update 01 due by Thursday, July 28, 2022  
Project Update 02 due by Monday, October 10, 2022  
Project Update 03 due by Monday, January 9, 2023  
Final Report due Monday, March 27, 2023

CAD Staff updates to the Tracy Arts Commission as these funded projects progress and are completed.

FISCAL IMPACT

The Tracy Arts Commission recommended three \$1,000 awards through the 2022 Granting Program in FY2021-22.

RECOMMENDATION

Receive 2022 Granting Program Update

Prepared By: William Wilson, Cultural Arts Supervisor

Reviewed By: Anna Cross, Cultural Arts Division Manager

Approved By: Anna Cross, Cultural Arts Division Manager

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**AGENDA ITEM 7.a.**

REQUEST

**REVIEW AND APPROVE 2023 GRANTING PROGRAM APPLICANT PROPOSALS**

DISCUSSION

The 2023 Granting Program will award up to \$4,000 (four \$1,000 grants) to Tracy resident artists, arts educators, and arts organizations (both collectives and non-profits). Tracy residency is defined as having a primary residence in the City, and/or teaching at a public or public charter school in Tracy, within the City limits.

Staff released the RFP to the community-at-large in January and has worked to distribute information in both digital and print formats to the creative community. An informational workshop was held on Wednesday, February with two participants. Applications had to be received by 5:00 PM PST at the Grand Theatre Center for the Arts on Monday, March 27 in order to be eligible for review by the Tracy Arts Commission.

Staff will present the eligible proposals. The Commission will review and evaluate the proposals with the following criteria, with each review providing a total possible high score of 75 (15 points x 5 reviewers) per application:

Artistic and/or Educational Excellence – 5 points:

Measure of the creativity (new, original and/or interesting ideas), quality (technical skills) and strength of content (concept and educational value) of the project.

Community Impact – 5 points:

Measure of the diversity and representation of the intended audience(s), activity/event location(s), viewer/participant engagement, and the applicant's collaborations within the project (if applicable).

Ability to Fulfill Project – 5 points:

Measure of the ability to develop and complete the project as described, the experience of the applicant and collaborators, and the project budget.

Each reviewer may score an application between 3/15 (lowest) and 15/15 (highest). After review, total scores will be determined and the TAC will award funds to those with the highest overall scores. In the event of tie scores, the TAC will continue discussion as needed to determine awards.

FISCAL IMPACT

Appropriation of Tracy Arts Commission funding in the Cultural Arts Division budget in the amount of \$4,000 has been approved for programming components.

RECOMMENDATION

Review and Approve 2023 Granting Program Applicant Proposals

Prepared By: William Wilson, Cultural Arts Supervisor

Reviewed By: Anna Cross, Cultural Arts Division Manager

Approved By: Anna Cross, Cultural Arts Division Manager

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**AGENDA ITEM 7.b.**

REQUEST

**BEGIN DISCUSSION OF DOWNTOWN TRACY ARTWALK 2023**

DISCUSSION

The Tracy Arts Commission (TAC) reviewed and approved FY2022-23 budget and programming recommendations at the meeting of October 11, 2022. Included within is the Downtown Tracy Artwalk event on Saturday, June 24, with an approved budget of \$1,450; \$250 for participant hospitality, and \$1,200 for six emerging (first-time participants) artists.

The Tracy Arts Commission presents Emerging Artists on a first come – first served basis, with the requirement that the participants are local residents defined by a Tracy, CA mailing address. Applicants are asked to identify if they are first-time participants in the application process.

Cultural Arts Division Staff will host a Downtown Tracy Artwalk Meeting on Monday, April 10 at 6 pm at the Grand Theatre Center for the Arts. The Call for Participants is anticipated to be released to the public at this event series orientation meeting.

FISCAL IMPACT

Appropriation of Tracy Arts Commission funding in the Cultural Arts Division budget in the amount of \$1,450 has been approved for June 24, 2023 Artwalk programming components.

RECOMMENDATION

Begin Discussion of Downtown Tracy Artwalk 2023

Prepared By: William Wilson, Cultural Arts Supervisor

Reviewed By: Anna Cross, Cultural Arts Division Manager

Approved By: Anna Cross, Cultural Arts Division Manager

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**TRACY ARTS COMMISSION MEETING**  
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**AGENDA ITEM 8.a.**

REQUEST

**CONTINUE DISCUSSION OF PROGRAMMING FOR TRACY ARTS MONTH, APRIL 2023**

DISCUSSION

Tracy Arts Month is an annual celebration of creativity and culture organized by the Cultural Arts Division in the City of Tracy. A series of public events featuring artists and arts organizations from across the local area is promoted and presented across the month of April.

The Tracy Arts Commission (TAC) has approved participation in Downtown Tracy Arts Month in April, 2023, with a budget of \$2,000 supporting three performing arts-themed workshops in any of the following: acting/performance, improv, audition skills, independent filmmaking, costumes, props and cosplay. With continued discussion the TAC has agreed to focus the educational events on audition skills & reel development, sfx make-up and independent filmmaking.

The TAC began discussion in December, 2022 and will continue as needed in order to identify instructors/presenters and determine the programming details. Promotions for Tracy Arts Month are expected to begin in March.

FISCAL IMPACT

Appropriation of Tracy Arts Commission funding in the Cultural Arts Division budget in the amount of \$2,000 has been approved for programming components.

RECOMMENDATION

Continue Discussion of Programming for Downtown Tracy Arts Month, April 2023

Prepared By: William Wilson, Cultural Arts Supervisor

Reviewed By: Anna Cross, Cultural Arts Division Manager

Approved By: Anna Cross, Cultural Arts Division Manager