



Administrative Report

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Meeting Date: 5/27/2026

To: CULTURAL ARTS COMMISSION
From: JACK MEYER, CULTURAL ARTS MANAGER

TITLE

RECEIVE AND FILE PROJECT STATUS UPDATES REGARDING THE ARTESIA BLVD. STRATEGIC ART PLAN

BACKGROUND

On May 13, 2025, the City Council approved a \$45,000 consulting services agreement with LBP Consulting, LLC (LBP) to develop a strategic art plan for the Artesia corridor, specifically between Inglewood Avenue to Aviation Boulevard to meet the Council's strategic planning goal of installing creative, placemaking artwork along the busy corridor. Since then, and through a joint review with the Cultural Arts Commission (CAC), phase I of the Artesia Blvd. Strategic Art Plan (Plan) was approved. In an effort to keep the CAC informed of the progress of the project, included below are the most recent updates:

Request for Qualifications (RFQ): LBP has completed its initial review of all submissions to determine eligibility and experience. A total of 39 proposals were ultimately shortlisted and will be shared with the Community Panel for additional review in late May or early June. LBP stated their goal is to help the Community Panel identify three to four strong candidates per artwork location to recommend to the CAC and subsequently, the City Council, to determine who will be invited to develop unique concepts for their respective sites.

LGBTQ+ Sculpture Survey and Outreach: On May 12, the City Council discussed the LGBTQ artwork and approved the following motion:

The City Council direct staff to proceed with the Cultural Arts Commission's recommendation to include an LGBTQ-themed artwork as part of the Artesia Blvd. Plan.

Council is open to all art mediums, including specifically the LGBTQ+ art installation implemented as a crosswalk. The location should be at Green Street and Artesia (crossing Artesia Blvd.), or around the North Branch Library along/visible from Artesia Blvd.

Council is open to any permanent artwork with staying power, within budget and that will not put a significant recurring maintenance cost on the John Parsons Art Fund.

Overall size and scale should be dictated by the budget of \$35,000.

Community Services Department has notified LBP of this direction and instructed them to proceed as per City Council direction.

Additional project information can be found on the City's website on the ARTesia Project - Public Art Placemaking and Placekeeping Plan webpage.

ATTACHMENTS

- None