

**CITY OF BUENA PARK
CULTURAL ENGAGEMENT COMMISSION
June 17, 2026**

1. GENERAL

- a. CALL TO ORDER:** Chair Yun called the Cultural Engagement Commission Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m., in the Council Chamber, 6650 Beach Boulevard, Buena Park, California.
- b. ROLL CALL:**
 - Present: De La Luz, Holton, Martinez, Walker, Yun
 - Absent:
 - Also Present: Jim Box, Director of Community Services
Ariana Chavez, Senior Administrative Assistant
Mark Saucedo, Community Services Supervisor
Serena Martinez, Community Services Coordinator
Michelle Van Sickle, Community Services Coordinator
Saul Contreras, Senior Office Assistant
- c. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Led by Commissioner Walker.

2. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS: None.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: May 20, 2026

***M/S/P – Commissioner Walker commented on the minutes and stated that it should include Jim Box, Director of Community Services, bringing the park rendering discussion back to Council to include asking the nearby residents on the impact the remodeling of the park will have on them. Commissioner Walker motioned for the approval of the May 20, 2026 Commission meeting minutes with the suggested modifications. Commissioner Holton seconded the motion. Motion passed with 4 yes votes and 1 abstain vote.

4. DIRECTOR AND CITY STAFF REPORTS:

- a.** Jim Box, Director of Community Services, informed the Commission on going dark for the month of July and return in August. Mark Saucedo, Community Services Supervisor, updated the Commission on the crosswalk art designs on San Rolando Way and San Rio Drive and on Dale Street and Carnation Drive. Mark Saucedo, Community Services Supervisor, informed the Commission on the Arts and Culture Master Plan survey and the progress on the design plan. Mark Saucedo, Community Services Supervisor, introduced Patrick Brian from Arts OC to the Commission. Patrick Brian informed the Commission on the stakeholder interviews, community visioning sessions, and surveys from the community and taking note on what they want to see be included in the Arts and Culture Master plan. Serena Martinez, Community Services Coordinator, updated the Commission on the conclusion and final production “Frozen” from the Buena Park Youth Theater, the Buena Park Community Chorus Patriotic Let Freedom Sing-A long event, and the current art exhibit in the Council Chamber.

5. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS:

a. Summer Recreation Program Review

Michelle Van Sickle, Community Services Coordinator, updated the Commission on the aquatics program, Summer Camp at Boisseranc Park, youth programs at the Buena Park Gym, drop-in sports, p-nut baseball program, p-nut baseball camp out, and invited the Commission to movies under the stars. Mark Saucedo, Community Services Supervisor, informed the Commission on the summer park program and read with me. Michelle Van Sickle, Community Services Coordinator, informed the Commission on the Volunteer Opportunities Leadership for Teens (V.O.L.T.) program. Maddie Villapando, Community Services Supervisor, updated the Commission on the Intergenerational Summer Camp, Father's Day Car Show and Pool Tournament, Senior Splash Day, ice cream social, summer movie matinee, Super Senior Saturday, senior workshops and presentations. Mark Saucedo, Community Services Supervisor, updated the Commission on the 250th Anniversary Celebration, Summer Concert Series, Symphony on the Go, and Juneteenth Celebration of Freedom. Maddie Villapando, Community Services Supervisor, informed the Commission on the vendors list that will be participating in Super Senior Saturday. Commissioner De La Luz informed staff on a possible vendor. Mark Saucedo, Community Services Supervisor, provided more details to the Commission regarding the sensory play area. Jim Box, Director of Community Services, informed the Commission on the parking situation and availability for the 250th Anniversary Celebration at Independence Hall.

b. Discussion on Home Decorating Contests

Serena Martinez, Community Services Coordinator, at the request from Commissioner De La Luz, brought this item to the Commission to discuss Home Decorating Contests for Halloween and Holiday contests. Staff asked Commissioners for their input regarding award categories, judging criteria, and overall evaluation process. Commissioner De La Luz proposed changing the award categories from a numerical order to a subject based category. The Commission moved forward with creating and adding more awards for both the Halloween and Holiday contests.

6. COMMISSION COMMENTS, FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

a. Commissioner De La Luz commented on the Juneteenth event, thanked the Public Works Department for the work on Dale Street in front of Boisseranc Park, and on Unlimited Possibilities program that operates in the City of Buena Park. Commissioner Holton commented on the new 7-Eleven opening, attended the Santa Ana Safe and Sane fireworks display, open house for the Buena Park Police Department, City Council meeting, the Buena Park Collaborative meeting, and took part in the Buena Park Rotary Club executive board meeting. Commissioner Holton acknowledged and thanked staff for the work they do for the City. Commissioner Walker commented on attending the Memorial Day event and wanted to place the Buena Park Song Initiative on to the next meeting's agenda. Vice Chair Martinez commented on attending the Memorial Day event, the Culture Fest committee meetings, Buena Park Lions Club meeting, and attended the open house for the Boys and Girls Club in Buena Park. Chair Yun commented on

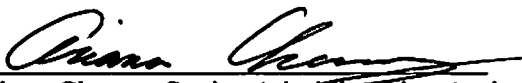
visiting the mural at Heroes Park and informing the Commission and staff on his resignation as a commissioner for Buena Park.

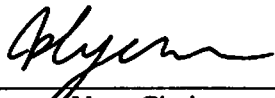
7. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- a. Next City Council Meeting: Tuesday, June 23, 2026 at 5:00 p.m.
- b. Next Regular Commission Meeting: Wednesday, August 19, 2026 at 6:00 p.m.

8. ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, Chair Yun declared the meeting adjourned at 7:28 p.m.

ATTEST:


Ariana Chavez, Senior Administrative Assistant


Hyewon Yun, Chair