

**CITY OF BUENA PARK
CULTURAL ENGAGEMENT COMMISSION
August 20, 2025**

1. GENERAL

- a. **CALL TO ORDER:** Chair Walker 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, Martinez, Walker, Yun
Absent: Nevarez
Also Present: Ariana Chavez, Senior Administrative Assistant
Mark Saucedo, Community Services Supervisor
Serena Martinez, Community Services Coordinator
Saul Contreras, Senior Office Assistant
- c. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Led by Commissioner Yun

2. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS: None.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: May 21, 2025 and June 7, 2025

***M/S/P – Commissioner Martinez motioned for the approval of the May 21, 2025 Commission meeting minutes. Vice Chair De La Luz seconded the motion. All in favor, motion passed. Vice Chair De La Luz motioned for the approval of the June 7, 2025 Commission meeting minutes. Commissioner Yun seconded the motion, motion passed with 3 yes votes and 1 abstain.

4. DIRECTOR AND CITY STAFF REPORTS:

a. Mark Saucedo, Community Services Supervisor, informed the Commission on the Construction Career and Apprenticeship Resource Fair, Buena Park Culture Fest, and an update on the Arts and Culture Master Plan. Serena Martinez, Community Services Coordinator, informed the Commission on the digital art exhibit currently displayed inside the Council Chamber and updated the Commission on Buena Park Youth Theater auditions and the excursion to Solvang Danish Days. Serena Martinez, Community Services Coordinator, thanked the Commission for their support on the Summer Concert series.

5. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS:

- a. Discussion on Buena Park Community Chorus
Mark Saucedo, Community Services Supervisor, presented to the Commission an update and history on the Buena Park Community Chorus. Mark Saucedo, Community Services Supervisor, informed the Commission on the number of participants and asked the Commission on the direction they would want staff to take moving forward with the program. After commissioners discussed and asked questions to staff, the Commission agreed to table the item to a later meeting.

6. COMMISSION COMMENTS, FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

a. Commissioner Martinez commented on the Juneteenth event and programming and on attending the Park Tour meeting on June 7th, summer concerts, District 4 townhall meeting, the Buena Park Culture Fest committee meeting, and attended the Buena Park Police ceremony for new recruits and promotions. Commissioner Yun commented on attending the Park Tour meeting and commented on the condition of Rick Gomez Park. Commissioner Yun commented on the process on reserving a picnic shelter and on attending the Buena Park Culture Fest committee meeting. Vice Chair De La Luz commented on attending the Park Tour meeting, summer concerts, Juneteenth event, and presented Chair Walker with a proclamation for Juneteenth. Chair Walker commented on attending the Juneteenth event and the summer concerts. Chair Walker commented on having commissioners assist with brainstorming ideas on the creativity portion of summer concerts and events.

7. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- a. Next City Council Meeting: Tuesday, September 9, 2025 at 5:00 p.m.
- b. Next Regular Commission Meeting: Wednesday, September 17, 2025 at 6:00 p.m.

8. ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, Chair Walker declared the meeting adjourned at 6:37 p.m.

ATTEST:


Ariana Chavez, Senior Administrative Assistant


Sharena Walker, Chair