

MEETING DATE: January 14, 2008

AGENDA ITEM : Temporary Re-establishment of the Culver City Gold Stars Mothers Rose Garden at the Senior Center located at 4095 Overland Avenue.

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Attachment 1

Email of agreement of the Veterans Affairs Committee through Mr. William McTaggart, Chair.

(Body of a December 19, 2007 email sent to Joseph Montoya, Community Development Planner, and copied to Pam Robinson, Veterans Complex Manager, then forwarded to Bill La Pointe, Director of Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department; from William McTaggart, Chair of the Veterans Affairs Committee – Veterans Memorial Garden Project.)

From: william mctaggart [mailto:wmctaggart@sbcglobal.net]
Sent: Tuesday, December 04, 2007 5:46 PM
To: Montoya, Joseph
Cc: Robinson, Pam
Subject: Re: Culver City Veterans Memorial - Gold Star Mothers Memorial Rose Garden

Joseph,

After several months, the City has not given any guidance on signing a letter of understanding with the architects. I am concerned that the Memorial is a dying idea. I think that we should support the Gold Star mothers in doing something NOW. if we ever build the memorial we can offer them a more public place then.

Attachment 2

Letter of agreement and encouragement from Mr. John Higginson

December 7, 2007

Mr. Jerry Fulwood, City Manager
City of Culver City
9770 Culver Boulevard
Culver City, CA 90232

Dear Mr. Fulwood,

We, at the American Gold Star Manor were pleased that Culver City had a rose garden dedicated to American Gold Star Mothers in front of your former Senior Center (now the Teen Center). Since the rose garden was removed it seems appropriate that it would find a resting place elsewhere in the City.

We have also learned that a Culver City veterans group has proposed a memorial that would include the American Gold Star Mother's rose garden. We concur that until such time as the veterans group builds the memorial, that the new Culver City Senior Center would be a most appropriate resting place for the new rose garden until other plans materialize.

Many of our resident Gold Star Mothers and other residents of the Gold Star Manor are looking forward to the rededication of the American Gold Star Mothers rose garden at the Culver City Senior Center next month. All of our residents are military-related seniors and ceremonies such as these are very meaningful to them and their loved ones.

Sincerely,

John Higginson
President/CEO
Gold Star Manor