

City of Culver City, California
Agenda Item Report

Meeting Date: <u>01/04/11</u>		Item Number: <u>A-4</u>	
PRCS COMMISSION AGENDA ITEM: Discussion of the "Words Matter" Presentation on the February 1, 2011 Parks, Recreation and Community Services Meeting Agenda.			
Contact Person/Dept.: Pam Robinson, Acting PRCS Director		Phone Number: (310) 253-6655	
Fiscal Impact: Yes ☐ No ☒		General Fund: Yes ☐ No ☐	
Public Hearing: ☐		Action Item: ☒ Attachments: ☒	
Commission Action Required: Yes ☐ No ☐		Date: _____	
Public Notification: (Email) Meetings and Agendas – Parks, Recreation and Community Services Commission (12/29/10).			
Department Approval: Pam Robinson (12/21/10)		City Attorney Approval: N/A	
Chief Financial Officer Approval: N/A		City Manager Approval: N/A	
 <u>RECOMMENDATION:</u> Staff recommends that the Parks, Recreation and Community Services (PRCS) Commission discuss the "Words Matter" presentation on the February 1, 2011 Commission Meeting Agenda and make recommendations as deemed appropriate. <u>BACKGROUND:</u> On Thursday, October 21, 2010 the members of the Human Relations Subcommittee, Commissioners Daly Redholtz and Greene, met with Acting PRCS Director Pam Robinson to discuss various Human Relations related topics. At that meeting, the members of the Subcommittee agreed that the PRCS Commission should become proactive in imparting information and education to the public on issues of importance to the community. It was determined that the Human Relations Subcommittee would present a report to the PRCS Commission at the next meeting and recommend options for hosting a Human Relations related event and/or program. At the November 4, 2010 PRCS Commission meeting, the Commission heard a report from Human Relations Subcommittee and discussed the possibility of hosting an interactive presentation by Dr. Earl Ofari Hutchinson on the topic, "Words Matter." Subsequently, the following motion was passed:			

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MOVED BY COMMISSIONER DALY REDHOLTZ, SECONDED BY VICE CHAIR KIM, AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED THAT THE PARKS, RECREATION AND COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION HAVE FOR THE MAIN AGENDA ITEM FOR THE REGULAR FEBRUARY 1, 2011 COMMISSION MEETING BE A GUEST SPEAKER INVITED TO PROVIDE A SHORT PRESENTATION AND ANSWER QUESTIONS ABOUT THE TOPIC "WORDS MATTER".

DISCUSSION:

At the December 7, 2010 PRCS Commission meeting, there was consensus that this item be agendized in order to give the Commission the opportunity to discuss and make recommendations regarding the "Words Matter" presentation to be held at the February 1, 2011 Commission meeting. Assuming that Dr. Earl Ofari Hutchinson will be available to attend the February meeting, information regarding his background and career is provided as an Attachment.

FISCAL ANALYSIS:

There is no fiscal impact associated with the discussion of this Agenda Item at this evening's meeting. Costs to the City associated with the "Words Matter" presentation, if any, will be presented when more information becomes available.

ATTACHMENT:

Information on Dr. Earl Ofari Hutchinson as posted on the Internet by Answers.com

MOTIONS:

That the Parks, Recreation and Community Services Commission:

1. Discuss the "Words Matter" presentation on the February 1, 2011 PRCS Commission Meeting Agenda; and,
2. Make recommendations as deemed appropriate.