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Staff Report

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CAC - 1) Update from Culver City Artist Laureate Alexey Steele on Projects and Activities for 2021; and, 2) Provide Comments as Appropriate

Meeting Date: January 18, 2022

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Phone Number: (310) 253-6003

Fiscal Impact: Yes No

General Fund: Yes No

Public Hearing:

Action Item:

Attachments: Yes No

Public Notification: Meetings and Agendas - Cultural Affairs Commission (01/13/22); Culver City Cultural Affairs Foundation (01/13/22); Dr. Janet Hault (01/13/22)

Department Approval: Jesse Mays, Assistant City Manager (01/12/22)

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the Cultural Affairs Commission (CAC) consider the information provided and make comments as appropriate.

BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION

Alexey Steele was appointed Culver City Artist Laureate by the City Council on January 13, 2020 for a two-year term ending December 31, 2021. With a recommendation from the CAC, on May 24, 2021, the City Council extended Mr. Steele's term through December 31, 2022 to allow for continuity in his work relating to the COVID-19 pandemic and provide more time for focusing on his studio practice. Council also approved an annual stipend for 2022 of \$6,000 of which \$4,000 is a grant from Culver Arts.

As was the case in January of last year, Mr. Steele has provided the attached written report of his activities for the past 12 months. A summary verbal presentation with images will be provided at the meeting. Staff, Mr. Steele and the Artist Laureate Subcommittee (Tania Fleischer and Jeannine Wisnosky Stehlin) will be meeting later in the month to review plans for 2022 activities.

FISCAL ANALYSIS

Other than staff time, there are no additional costs associated with this agenda item.

ATTACHMENTS

1. 22-01-18_ATT_Alexey Steele Artist Laureate Update for 2021

RECOMMENDED MOTIONS

That the Cultural Affairs Commission:

1. Receive the information and make comments as appropriate.