



## Legislation Text

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**TO:**

Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

**THROUGH:**

Bruce Moe, City Manager

**FROM:**

Mark Leyman, Parks and Recreation Director  
Martin Betz, Cultural Arts Manager

**SUBJECT:**

Consider Relocating the *Dragon Tales* Sculpture Garden Art Piece (Parks and Recreation Director Leyman).

**DISCUSS AND PROVIDE DIRECTON**

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**RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends that the City Council discuss and provide direction on the relocation of *Dragon Tales* Sculpture Garden art piece.

**FISCAL IMPLICATIONS:**

Total estimated cost for the concrete work and installation is approximately \$4,600. If relocation is directed, an allocation from the Public Arts Trust Fund will be required.

**BACKGROUND:**

At the October 1, 2019, City Council requested that alternate locations for the *Dragon Tales* sculpture garden art piece, currently located in Veterans Parkway at 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, be brought to the City Council for further discussion and evaluation.

The placement of the *Dragon Tales* sculpture garden art piece was recommended by the Cultural Arts Commission at their October 15, 2018, meeting and approved by the City Council at the December 18, 2018, meeting. This location was one of three new locations that were proposed. The other locations included Polliwog Park and Water Wise Park, where alternative sculpture garden pieces were placed.

Since the placement of the sculpture, staff has received feedback from residents and trail users, both positive and negative. Staff received e-mails from two nearby residents that would like the art piece moved. Staff also received phone calls and comments at the front desk in support of keeping the piece in the current location.

**DISCUSSION:**

Staff has reviewed the following alternate locations for the *Dragon Tales* sculpture for City Council

consideration.

**LOCATION OPTION # 1:**

Entrance to the Manhattan Beach Art Center

**PROS:**

- Not in direct view of any residences.
- Enhances the Art Center entry with visibility from Manhattan Beach Boulevard.

**CONS:**

- Does not diversify sculpture locations throughout the Community.
- Additional costs associated with moving the sculpture from current location.

**LOCATION OPTION # 2:**

Veterans Parkway at Pacific and Ardmore

**PROS:**

- Continues the intent to diversify sculpture locations throughout the City.
- Can still be enjoyed by pedestrians on Parkway.

**CONS:**

- Possible residential concerns placing on Veterans Parkway.
- Additional costs associated with moving the sculpture from current location.

**LOCATION OPTION # 3:**

Maintain current location (Valley/Ardmore & 2<sup>nd</sup> Street)

**PROS:**

- Positive feedback received from trail users.
- Location vetted by Cultural Arts Commission.

**CONS:**

- Concerns of residents living near sculpture garden art piece.

Staff recommends that the City Council discuss and provide direction on the possible relocation of the Sculpture Garden art piece.

**PUBLIC OUTREACH:**

Public input leading to the approval of the sculpture garden pieces include the October 15, 2018, Cultural Arts Commission meeting and final approval at the December 18, 2018, City Council meeting.

**LEGAL REVIEW:**

The City Attorney has reviewed this report and determined that no additional legal analysis is necessary.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

1. Proposed Location Option # 1 - Manhattan Beach Art Center
2. Proposed Location Option # 2 - Veteran's Parkway at Pacific and Ardmore
3. Current location