

Parks, Recreation and Community Services Commission Meeting Agenda Announcement

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**AGENDA
CITY OF WHITTIER
PARKS, RECREATION AND COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 13230 PENN STREET
FEBRUARY 19, 2025, 6:00 PM**

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

Elizabeth Apodaca, Commissioner
Tiffany Givens, Commissioner
Wayne Hao, Commissioner
Don Mrla, Commissioner
Joseph Westrup, Commissioner
Victoria Pacheco, Vice Chair
Robert Sera, Chair

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

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Pursuant to State law, the Commission cannot take action or express a consensus of approval or disapproval on any communications which do not appear on the printed agenda.

5. STAFF REPORTS

6. SECRETARY COMMENTS

6.A. Approval of Minutes

Recommendation: Approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 15, 2025.

6.B. Whittier Sunrise Fee Waiver

Recommendation: Recommend City Council approve the Whittier Sunrise Rotary Foundation, Inc. fee waiver.

6.C. Rotary Club of Whittier Foundation Special Event Permit Application

Recommendation: Approve the Special Event Permit Application from the Rotary Club of Whittier Foundation for its first annual Mental Health 5K Walk on May 3, 2025, at Central Park.

7. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS AND CONFERENCE REPORTS

8. ADJOURNMENT

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I hereby certify under penalty of perjury, under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing agenda was posted in accordance with the applicable legal requirements. Regular and Adjourned Regular meeting agendas may be amended up to 72 hours in advance of the meeting. Dated this 14th day of February 2025.

/s/ Roxanne Gonzalez

Roxanne Gonzalez, Administrative Secretary



Agenda Report

Parks, Recreation and Community Services Commission

Date: February 19, 2025

To: Parks, Recreation and Community Services Commission

From: Virginia Santana, Director of Parks, Recreation and Community Services

Subject: Approval of Minutes

RECOMMENDATION

Approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 15, 2025.

BACKGROUND

None.

DISCUSSION

Staff prepared draft minutes and hereby submits the minutes for Commission's approval.

FISCAL IMPACT

None.

STRATEGIC PLANNING GOAL

Goal 4: Transparent & Open Government

ATTACHMENTS

- A. Minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 15, 2025

**MINUTES
CITY OF WHITTIER
PARKS, RECREATION AND COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER, 13230 PENN STREET
JANUARY 15, 2025 – 6:00 P.M.**

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Vice Chair Pacheco called the regular meeting of the Parks, Recreation & Community Services Commission to order at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber of Whittier City Hall, 13230 Penn Street, Whittier, California.

2. ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Elizabeth Apodaca, Commissioner
Tiffany Givens, Commissioner
Wayne Hao, Commissioner
Joseph Westrup, Commissioner
Victoria Pacheco, Vice Chair

ABSENT: Robert Sera, Chair
Don Mrla, Commissioner

STAFF PRESENT:

Virginia Santana, Director of Parks, Recreation and Community Services
Erin Hamilton, Community Services Manager
Stacey Arismendez, Management Analyst
Roxanne Gonzalez, Administrative Secretary

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Givens led the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

No public comments were received.

5. STAFF REPORTS

5.A. Approval of Minutes

It was moved by Commissioner Givens, seconded by Commissioner Westrup, and carried 5-0 to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of October 16, 2024. (Absent: Commissioner Mrla and Commissioner Sera).

5.B. Kennedy and Guirado Park Improvements Project

Secretary Santana informed the Commission that the basketball court painting is complete. The fitness equipment will be inspected, and staff will receive training. The Guirado Park project is expected to be completed by February 7, 2025, and the park will remain fenced off until the ribbon cutting. A Notice of Completion will be presented to the City Council once the project is finalized.

She added that the Community Services Manager Hamilton will consult with the Art in Public Places Advisory Committee regarding the retaining wall.

Commissioner Givens inquired about the Kennedy Park project timeline. Secretary Santana confirmed it will be completed alongside Guirado Park. Both parks will remain fenced off until a reopening plan is finalized. Staff will refresh Kennedy Park with painting, planting, and woodchip refilling. Tree trimming has been completed, and the project remains on track for a February 7, 2025, completion.

Commissioner Westrup asked about renovations to the baseball diamond at Guirado Park. Secretary Santana confirmed that while not part of the main project, staff cleared overgrown brush and mowed the field, significantly improving its appearance and usability.

The Commission unanimously received and filed the Kennedy and Guirado Park Improvements Project Update. (Absent: Commissioner Mrla and Commissioner Sera).

5.C. Shelter's Right Hand Special Event Permit

Secretary Santana informed the Commission that while the Shelter's Right Hand Special Event Permit is not typically presented, requested changes and a fee waiver required review. The agency's 5K event has grown over the years, prompting discussions with staff and the agency on ensuring walkers follow traffic laws. The agency was tasked with developing a safety plan. Based on last year's event feedback. They have requested for Bailey Street to be closed similarly to the Summer Concert Series. They will also have the walkers leave in separated groups by bib number and are asking for the closure fees to be waived.

Community Services Manager Hamilton stated the cost for staffing and posting no-parking signs was \$259.00. Secretary Santana added that the agency was asked to provide extra restrooms and trash receptacles. While they coordinated with a church for placement, closing Bailey Street will improve safety for attendees crossing to use them. The park's power supply will also be inspected due to previous concerns. The event will feature vendors, raffles, and children's activities, with agency staff handling setup.

Commissioner Hao asked if two city employees would staff the event for seven hours. Secretary Santana confirmed, explaining they are needed to manage barricades and parking. Staff will park vehicles on opposite ends of the street closure on Bailey Street as well as setting up barricades. If the event were larger, police presence would be required. Commissioner Hao asked if two staff members was sufficient. Community Services Manager Hamilton affirmed that two staff members were sufficient, with agency volunteers assisting with monitoring the event.

Commissioner Givens inquired whether \$259.00 was the only cost to the agency and if there was a registration cap. Secretary Santana confirmed the fee and explained that the event had grandfathered fee waivers. However, due to its growth, it required Commission review since the additional requirements exceed what was preapproved. The agency was encouraged to use the Greenway Trail, but they strongly preferred Central Park. If the event expands further, alternative arrangements may be necessary. Most agencies are required to provide fees and detailed event plans, however this grandfathered event exceeded previous allowances, requiring changes.

Commissioner Apodaca noted the permit mentioned 2 to 3 restrooms but lacked location details. Secretary Santana clarified they will be placed in the church parking lot, with park restrooms also readily available. Commissioner Westrup asked if police presence was standard. Community Services Manager Hamilton stated that police typically are made aware of the event happening. She added that we discussed with the agency the complaints we received from business owners along Greenleaf Avenue. The agency made event adjustments, such as sending walkers in groups for a safer, more controlled event. Commissioner Westrup asked if police presence was requested and would the agency be responsible for the costs. Community Services Manager responded that at this time, police enforcement was not requested. If police enforcement was needed, the agency would be responsible for the cost.

Secretary Santana stated that in addition to the Commissions review, the application is also sent to all departments for comments. Commissioner Apodaca encouraged directing the agency to the Greenway Trail for future events. Vice Chair Pacheco acknowledged the growing awareness of the event but emphasized prioritizing safety and exploring alternative fundraising measures to operate the event in a safer manner.

Commissioner Hao noted this was the event's 29th year and supported approving the fee waiver as a goodwill gesture. Commissioner Givens asked if the Commission were to approve the permit and fee waiver could they include specific recommendations for their events in the future. Secretary Santana confirmed that recommendations could be incorporated.

It was moved by Commissioner Givens, seconded by Commissioner Apodaca, and carried 5-0 to approve the Special Event Permit Application from Shelter's Right Hand for its "Stepping Out Against Domestic Violence" 5K Walk on April

26, 2025, and recommended that the organization consider other viable alternatives for the future walks like the Greenway Trail, limiting participant capacity, to supportable means, and be aware of increase in cost should the event continue to grow. (Absent: Commissioner Mrla and Commissioner Sera).

6. SECRETARY'S COMMENTS

Secretary Santana shared the following updates:

- Arbor Day will be held on March 13, 2025, at Central Park. We will be re-planting a seedling from the historic Walnut Tree on the Greenbelt at Central Park.
- Concert Share at the Double Tree will be hosted on Thursday, January 16, 2025, where 100 bands will share their information with cities. Our staff will collect band information to share with our Summer Concert subcommittee.
- Family Sports Night Out will be on Friday February 7, 2025 (LA Kings v. Dallas Stars). There are 90 participants enrolled.
- Volunteer of the Year Applications are open. The application deadline was extended to January 31, 2025. Please get your applications submitted, anyone can submit.
- Parnell Park Renovation project was approved to move forward by Council at the January 14, meeting. Trees that need to be removed will be posted for 30 days
- Spring Day Camp registration opens in February and will be based out of the Whittier Community Center.
- Kids Sports Night Out registration is open
- Scholarship Application opened January 15, 2025, and the deadline is February 12, 2025. This year the scholarship funding will remain the same but once provider changes take place the scholarship opportunity may look different.
- Due to infrastructure construction going on along Palm Avenue, we have been requested to evaluate 11 trees for removal that are in the construction area. If the trees are found to need removal, we will post removal of the trees for 30 days.
- Annexation was approved. Through this process we have acquired McNeese Park.

7. COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

Commissioner Westrup asked whether trees removed from Parnell Park for the renovation project would be replaced. Secretary Santana clarified that 196 new trees would be planted and 50 existing trees would remain in place.

8. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:51 p.m.

Approved and adopted by the Parks, Recreation and Community Service Commission on _____.

Virginia Santana, Secretary



Agenda Report

Parks, Recreation and Community Services Commission

Date: February 19, 2025

To: Parks, Recreation and Community Services Commission

From: Virginia Santana, Director of Parks, Recreation and Community Services

Subject: Whittier Sunrise Rotary Club Fee Waiver

RECOMMENDATION

Recommend City Council approve the Whittier Sunrise Rotary Foundation, Inc. fee waiver.

BACKGROUND

The Whittier Sunrise Rotary Foundation, Inc. is a service organization, founded on March 31, 1958, and part of a global network of 1.2 million members across 34,000 clubs. Committed to the motto "Service Above Self," the organization actively contributes to the Whittier community. Each spring, it hosts the Battle of the Bands at the Vic Lopez Auditorium, with proceeds supporting participating schools in enhancing their arts and educational programs.

DISCUSSION

The Whittier Sunrise Rotary Foundation, Inc. currently meets at Jack's Whittier Restaurant and Roadhouse Grill but wishes to hold regular meetings at the Whittier Senior Center. Meetings take place weekly on Thursdays from 5:30 p.m. to 7:15 p.m. The Whittier Senior Center staff calculated the rental fees for the period February 6, 2025, to February 6, 2026, totaling \$4,637.50.

FISCAL IMPACT

\$4637.50 would not be collected to cover the cost of staffing the rental and room use.

STRATEGIC PLANNING GOAL

Goal 4: Transparent & Open Government

ATTACHMENTS

- A. Whittier Sunrise Rotary Foundation, Inc. Fee Waiver Request
- B. Estimated Rental Fees



Whittier Sunrise Rotary Foundation, Inc.
9425 La Alba Drive
Whittier, California 90603-1229

January 23, 2025

Ms. Virginia Santana
Director of Parks, Recreation and Community Services
City of Whittier
13200 Penn St,
Whittier, CA 90602

Dear Respected Ms. Santana;

Our Organization, the Whittier Sunrise Rotary Club, is seeking permission to hold our weekly meetings at the Whittier Senior Center and a waiver of meeting fees.

The club meetings are currently held every Thursday evening from 5:30 pm to 7:15 pm. We are looking for a more suitable professional location to replace our current meeting places of Jack's Whittier Restaurant and Roadhouse Grill.

FYI, Rotary is the world's premiere service organization. We emphasize friendship, integrity and service to others. There are over 1.2 million members in 34,000 clubs worldwide... all dedicated to "Service Above Self." Our Club was formed on March 31, 1958. We focus on community development, education and literacy in the Whittier area. Our biggest event is the Battle of the Bands held each spring at the Vic Lopez Auditorium. The proceeds of this event are donated to the participating schools to develop their arts and educational programs. Our membership consists of residents and individuals that work and contribute to the Whittier Community.

We thank you in advance for your positive feedback on this request.

Very truly yours:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mike Abdelaaty", written over a horizontal line.

Mike Abdelaaty
2024-2025 President
E: mabdelaaty@hotmail.com
C: (626) 348-4393

CC: George Prather, Secretary, 2024-2025

The Whittier Sunrise Rotary Club Foundation, Inc., has been designated a 501(c) (3) non-profit organization. Contributions to the Foundation are deductible for income tax purposes under section 170 of the IRS Code. (Federal ID number 20-3644490.



Whittier Senior Center
13225 Walnut St
Whittier, CA 90602
(562) 567-9470

PERMIT #36337

Authorized On: 02/04/2025 11:13 AM

Location	Permit Holder	Authorized Agent
Whittier Senior Center 13225 Walnut Street Whittier, CA 90602	Whittier Sunrise Rotary 15141 E. Whittier BL Whittier, CA 90603 626-348-4393	Carmen Marquez 562-567-9430 pks@cityofwhittier.org https://www.whittierprcs.org/home-communityservice

RESERVATIONS

Location	Facility	Date	Time	Hours	Estimate
Whittier Senior Center	Room 1 & 2	Thu, Feb 6th 2025	05:30 PM-07:15 PM	1.75	\$87.50
Whittier Senior Center	Room 1 & 2	Thu, Feb 13th 2025	05:30 PM-07:15 PM	1.75	\$87.50
Whittier Senior Center	Room 1 & 2	Thu, Feb 20th 2025	05:30 PM-07:15 PM	1.75	\$87.50
Whittier Senior Center	Room 1 & 2	Thu, Feb 27th 2025	05:30 PM-07:15 PM	1.75	\$87.50
Whittier Senior Center	Room 1 & 2	Thu, Mar 6th 2025	05:30 PM-07:15 PM	1.75	\$87.50
Whittier Senior Center	Room 1 & 2	Thu, Mar 13th 2025	05:30 PM-07:15 PM	1.75	\$87.50
Whittier Senior Center	Room 1 & 2	Thu, Mar 20th 2025	05:30 PM-07:15 PM	1.75	\$87.50
Whittier Senior Center	Room 1 & 2	Thu, Mar 27th 2025	05:30 PM-07:15 PM	1.75	\$87.50
Whittier Senior Center	Room 1 & 2	Thu, Apr 3rd 2025	05:30 PM-07:15 PM	1.75	\$87.50
Whittier Senior Center	Room 1 & 2	Thu, Apr 10th 2025	05:30 PM-07:15 PM	1.75	\$87.50
Whittier Senior Center	Room 1 & 2	Thu, Apr 17th 2025	05:30 PM-07:15 PM	1.75	\$87.50
Whittier Senior Center	Room 1 & 2	Thu, Apr 24th 2025	05:30 PM-07:15 PM	1.75	\$87.50
Whittier Senior Center	Room 1 & 2	Thu, May 1st 2025	05:30 PM-07:15 PM	1.75	\$87.50
Whittier Senior Center	Room 1 & 2	Thu, May 8th 2025	05:30 PM-07:15 PM	1.75	\$87.50
Whittier Senior Center	Room 1 & 2	Thu, May 15th 2025	05:30 PM-07:15 PM	1.75	\$87.50
Whittier Senior Center	Room 1 & 2	Thu, May 22nd 2025	05:30 PM-07:15 PM	1.75	\$87.50
Whittier Senior Center	Room 1 & 2	Thu, May 29th 2025	05:30 PM-07:15 PM	1.75	\$87.50
Whittier Senior Center	Room 1 & 2	Thu, Jun 5th 2025	05:30 PM-07:15 PM	1.75	\$87.50
Whittier Senior Center	Room 1 & 2	Thu, Jun 12th 2025	05:30 PM-07:15 PM	1.75	\$87.50
Whittier Senior Center	Room 1 & 2	Thu, Jun 19th 2025	05:30 PM-07:15 PM	1.75	\$87.50
Whittier Senior Center	Room 1 & 2	Thu, Jun 26th 2025	05:30 PM-07:15 PM	1.75	\$87.50
Whittier Senior Center	Room 1 & 2	Thu, Jul 3rd 2025	05:30 PM-07:15 PM	1.75	\$87.50
Whittier Senior Center	Room 1 & 2	Thu, Jul 10th 2025	05:30 PM-07:15 PM	1.75	\$87.50

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Whittier Senior Center	Room 1 & 2	Thu, Jul 31st 2025	05:30 PM-07:15 PM	1.75	\$87.50
Whittier Senior Center	Room 1 & 2	Thu, Aug 7th 2025	05:30 PM-07:15 PM	1.75	\$87.50
Whittier Senior Center	Room 1 & 2	Thu, Aug 14th 2025	05:30 PM-07:15 PM	1.75	\$87.50
Whittier Senior Center	Room 1 & 2	Thu, Aug 21st 2025	05:30 PM-07:15 PM	1.75	\$87.50
Whittier Senior Center	Room 1 & 2	Thu, Aug 28th 2025	05:30 PM-07:15 PM	1.75	\$87.50
Whittier Senior Center	Room 1 & 2	Thu, Sep 4th 2025	05:30 PM-07:15 PM	1.75	\$87.50
Whittier Senior Center	Room 1 & 2	Thu, Sep 11th 2025	05:30 PM-07:15 PM	1.75	\$87.50
Whittier Senior Center	Room 1 & 2	Thu, Sep 18th 2025	05:30 PM-07:15 PM	1.75	\$87.50
Whittier Senior Center	Room 1 & 2	Thu, Sep 25th 2025	05:30 PM-07:15 PM	1.75	\$87.50
Whittier Senior Center	Room 1 & 2	Thu, Oct 2nd 2025	05:30 PM-07:15 PM	1.75	\$87.50
Whittier Senior Center	Room 1 & 2	Thu, Oct 9th 2025	05:30 PM-07:15 PM	1.75	\$87.50
Whittier Senior Center	Room 1 & 2	Thu, Oct 16th 2025	05:30 PM-07:15 PM	1.75	\$87.50
Whittier Senior Center	Room 1 & 2	Thu, Oct 23rd 2025	05:30 PM-07:15 PM	1.75	\$87.50
Whittier Senior Center	Room 1 & 2	Thu, Oct 30th 2025	05:30 PM-07:15 PM	1.75	\$87.50
Whittier Senior Center	Room 1 & 2	Thu, Nov 6th 2025	05:30 PM-07:15 PM	1.75	\$87.50
Whittier Senior Center	Room 1 & 2	Thu, Nov 13th 2025	05:30 PM-07:15 PM	1.75	\$87.50
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Whittier Senior Center	Room 1 & 2	Thu, Dec 18th 2025	05:30 PM-07:15 PM	1.75	\$87.50
Whittier Senior Center	Room 1 & 2	Thu, Dec 25th 2025	05:30 PM-07:15 PM	1.75	\$87.50
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Whittier Senior Center	Room 1 & 2	Thu, Feb 5th 2026	05:30 PM-07:15 PM	1.75	\$87.50
				TOTAL:	\$4,637.50

Thank you for choosing the City of Whittier for your rental venue. Please read all facility policies, procedures and guidelines for further information.

Organization/Participation agrees to defend, indemnify and hold harmless the City, its officers, agents, and employees for any loss, damage, cost or expense, including attorney fees, that may arise during or out of the Organization's use of occupancy of the City's facilities, except as may result from sole negligence or willful misconduct of the City, its officers agents and employees.

X: _____
Community Services Supervisor

X: _____
Signature of Applicant

Date: _____

Date: _____



Agenda Report

Parks, Recreation and Community Services Commission

Date: February 19, 2025
To: Parks, Recreation and Community Services Commission
From: Virginia Santana, Director of Parks, Recreation and Community Services
Subject: Rotary Club of Whittier Foundation Special Event Permit Application

RECOMMENDATION

Approve the Special Event Permit Application from the Rotary Club of Whittier Foundation for its first annual Mental Health 5K Walk on May 3, 2025, at Central Park.

BACKGROUND

Rotary International, established in 1905 in Chicago, is the world's oldest service club and now boasts over one million members worldwide. The Whittier Rotary Club was founded in 1922, with its foundation branch launching in 2019. Alongside their latest initiative, the Mental Health Walk, Whittier Rotary also organizes the annual All-Star Baseball and Softball Games at York Field. Both events aim to raise funds for meaningful causes, including mental health, while providing an enjoyable experience.

DISCUSSION

The Rotary Club of Whittier Foundation is organizing a Mental Health 5K Walk to raise funds for enhanced mental health services in the community. The walk will follow a designated route through Uptown Whittier's business district, using sidewalks encouraging participants to follow the rules of the road to ensure a safe and accessible path. The California High Schools Rotary Interact Club will station members at each intersection to ensure walkers follow traffic signals and remain on the sidewalks.

Event setup will include a registration table and PA system, with the gazebo, power, and restrooms also in use. Participants and attendees can park along the street or in the parking structures on Bright Avenue and Comstock Avenue. Several agencies will be present to distribute information on their mental health services. While street closures will not be necessary, amplified sound will be used during the event.

The Certificate of Insurance and Endorsements are currently under review, and the route will be finalized prior to receiving the final permit.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact.

STRATEGIC PLANNING GOAL

Goal 4: Transparent & Open Government

ATTACHMENTS

A. Rotary Club of Whittier Foundation Special Event Permit Application



ROTARY CLUB OF WHITTIER

P.O. BOX 753
WHITTIER, CALIFORNIA

2025 January 13

City of Whittier
Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department
13230 Penn Street
Whittier CA 90602

Attn: Virginia Santana

Dear Ms. Santana,

The Rotary Club of Whittier Foundation wishes to host its first annual Mental Health Walk on May 3, 2025 at Central Park. Our purpose is to raise funds for enhanced mental health services in the community.

Please find attached, our:
Special Event Permit Application
Certificate of Liability Insurance
Diagram of Event Layout

We wish to use Central Park on May 3 to welcome walkers and provide tables and space for local mental health service agents to distribute information about their services. A 5k route will be mapped out using the sidewalks through Uptown Whittier's business district. California High School's Rotary Interact Club members will staff every intersection to urge walkers to obey traffic lights and to stay on the sidewalks.

We look forward to a successful and enjoyable day. Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Owen Newcomer".

Owen Newcomer, on behalf of
Monica Peters, Coordinator
Rotary Club of Whittier Foundation
562-447-0383



City of Whittier

Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department
13230 Penn Street, Whittier, CA 90602
Phone (562) 567-9400
FAX (562) 567-2870

TODAY'S DATE: 12-27-2024

TYPE OF ACTIVITY: Walk for Mental Health

EVENT DATE: 5-3-2025

EVENT TIME (include set up and take down) 5:30 a.m. TO 12:30 p.m.

LOCATION REQUESTED: Central Park
(Attach map/proposed layout)

EXPECTED ATTENDANCE: 100-150

CONTACT NAME: Monica Peters PHONE 562-447-0383

CONTACT NAME DAY OF EVENT: Monica Peters PHONE 562-447-0383

ORGANIZATION NAME: Rotary Club of Whittier
(Per the WMC event must be conducted by a non-profit organization which has its principal office or place of business within the City of Whittier)

ADDRESS: PO Box 753 Whittier, CA 90608

BUSINESS PHONE: 562-219-1085 EMAIL: whittierrotary.org

LIST NAME, ADDRESS AND PHONE NUMBER OF ANY OTHER NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION, SPONSOR OR ASSOCIATION ASSISTING IN THE COORDINATION OF THIS EVENT: (List on separate paper if necessary)

Whittier Sunrise Rotary Club

IS THIS A NEW EVENT? NO YES

HOW WILL THE EVENT BE ADVERTISED? LIST PUBLICATIONS, RADIO STATIONS, WEBSITES THAT WILL ADVERTISE THE EVENT:

Chamber of Commerce, Whittier Daily News, Social Media, Eventbrite, Posters

WILL A FEE OR DONATION BE REQUESTED: NO YES AMOUNT \$ 25.00

Organizations/Participants agree to defend, indemnify and hold harmless the City, its officers, agents, employees, and volunteers for any loss, damage, claim, injury, cost or expense, including attorney's fees from any and all willful or negligent acts that may arise out of the organization's/participant's use of the city's facilities. (initial) JP

PROPOSED ACTIVITIES:

Be very specific as to the desired activities, set up, equipment, etc. Attach a detailed diagram/layout of event area showing booths (if applicable), restroom facilities (include accessible), parking (include accessible), location of trash containers, etc. Attach additional pages if necessary. Please note that certain events may require signatures and addresses from neighbors/businesses that may be impacted by the event.

Setup of Registration tables, PA system set up,
Parking available on streets and structures on Bright Ave
and Coarsteck Ave. Informational booths will be set up inside
Park along sidewalks, walk route is TBD
Use of gazebo, Power needed & bathrooms open

WILL STREET CLOSURES BE REQUIRED? NO YES
Please attach a detailed diagram/layout showing street closures, exits, parking (include accessible).

WILL THERE BE AMPLIFIED SOUND? NO YES

CHECK LIST Your application will not be considered complete without the following items.

- COVER LETTER DESCRIBING EVENT
- SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT APPLICATION
- DIAGRAM OF EVENT LAYOUT
- COPY OF CITY OF WHITTIER BUSINESS LICENSE - MUST BE WHITTIER BASED NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION (MUST BE SUBMITTED AT LEAST 2 WEEKS BEFORE EVENT DATE)
- CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE & ENDORSEMENT SHEET (MUST BE SUBMITTED AT LEAST 2 WEEKS BEFORE EVENT DATE)
- NA HEALTH DEPARTMENT APPROVAL (IF APPLICABLE - SEE RULES & REGS.)
- NA FIRE DEPARTMENT APPROVAL (IF APPLICABLE - SEE RULES & REGS.)

Signature of Applicant [Signature] Date 1-7-2025

-----office use only-----

Date Application Received: _____ Staff Signature _____

Amount Due _____ Receipt # _____ Permit # _____

Fee: _____ Deposit: _____ Payment Type: _____ Date: _____

THIS ENDORSEMENT CHANGES THE POLICY. PLEASE READ IT CAREFULLY.

**ADDITIONAL INSURED – DESIGNATED
PERSON OR ORGANIZATION**

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART

SCHEDULE

<p>Name Of Additional Insured Person(s) Or Organization(s):</p> <p>City of Whittier 13230 Penn St Whittier, CA 90602 RE: Rotary Club of Whittier Event Name: The Walk of Mental Health Event Location: Central Park Event Date: 05.03.2025</p>
<p>Information required to complete this Schedule, if not shown above, will be shown in the Declarations.</p>

A. Section II – Who Is An Insured is amended to include as an additional insured the person(s) or organization(s) shown in the Schedule, but only with respect to liability for "bodily injury", "property damage" or "personal and advertising injury" caused, in whole or in part, by your acts or omissions or the acts or omissions of those acting on your behalf:

1. In the performance of your ongoing operations; or
2. In connection with your premises owned by or rented to you.

However:

1. The insurance afforded to such additional insured only applies to the extent permitted by law; and
2. If coverage provided to the additional insured is required by a contract or agreement, the insurance afforded to such additional insured will not be broader than that which you are required by the contract or agreement to provide for such additional insured.

B. With respect to the insurance afforded to these additional insureds, the following is added to **Section III – Limits Of Insurance:**

If coverage provided to the additional insured is required by a contract or agreement, the most we will pay on behalf of the additional insured is the amount of insurance:

1. Required by the contract or agreement; or
2. Available under the applicable limits of insurance;

whichever is less.

This endorsement shall not increase the applicable limits of insurance.

BUSINESS LICENSE

The issuing of a Business License is for revenue purposes only. It does not relieve the taxpayer from the responsibility of complying with the requirements of any other department of the City of Whittier or any other ordinance, law or regulation of the City of Whittier, State of California or any other governmental agency.

BUSINESS NAME: ROTARY CLUB OF WHITTIER FOUNDATION
BUSINESS OWNER: OWEN NEWCOMER

BUSINESS LOCATION: 5443 BROOKMEAD DR
WHITTIER, CA 90601-2440

ROTARY CLUB OF WHITTIER FOUNDATION
PO BOX 753
WHITTIER, CA 90608-0760

CITY OF WHITTIER

13230 Penn Street • Whittier, CA 90602-1772
Phone: (562) 567-9880

BUSINESS DESCRIPTION:
NON PROFIT ORGANIZATION

License Number: 118774

Expiration Date: 1/31/2026



City Manager

NOT TRANSFERABLE

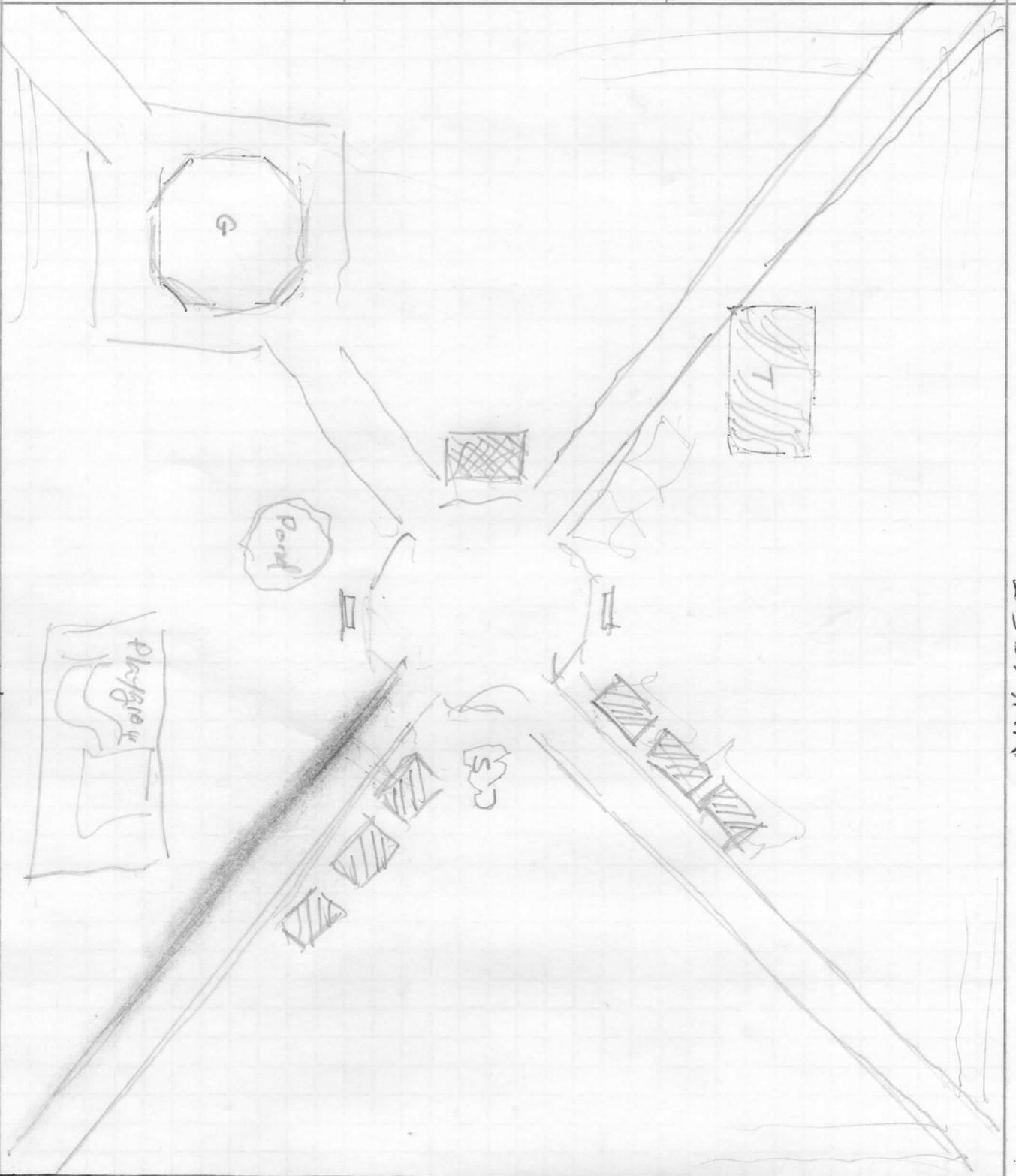
TO BE POSTED IN A CONSPICUOUS PLACE

Starting January 1, 2021, Assembly Bill 1607 requires the prevention of gender-based discrimination of business establishments. A full notice is available in English or other languages by going to: <https://www.dca.ca.gov/publications/>

WASHINGTON AVE

BAILEY STREET

PARK STREET



FRIENDS AVE



T = Toilets
 G = Gazebo

▨ Sponsor Booths

▨ Registration