CITY OF GLENDALE, CALIFORNIA
REPORT TO THE PARKS, RECREATION AND COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION

AGENDA ITEM

Report: “Eternal Armenia” sculpture at Central Park.

1. Motion to approve the “Eternal Armenia” sculpture installation at Central Park from May 12 – 30, 2021.

COMMISSION/COMMITTEE ACTION

Item Type: Action Item

Approved for April 19, 2021 **calendar**

ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION

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RECOMMENDATION

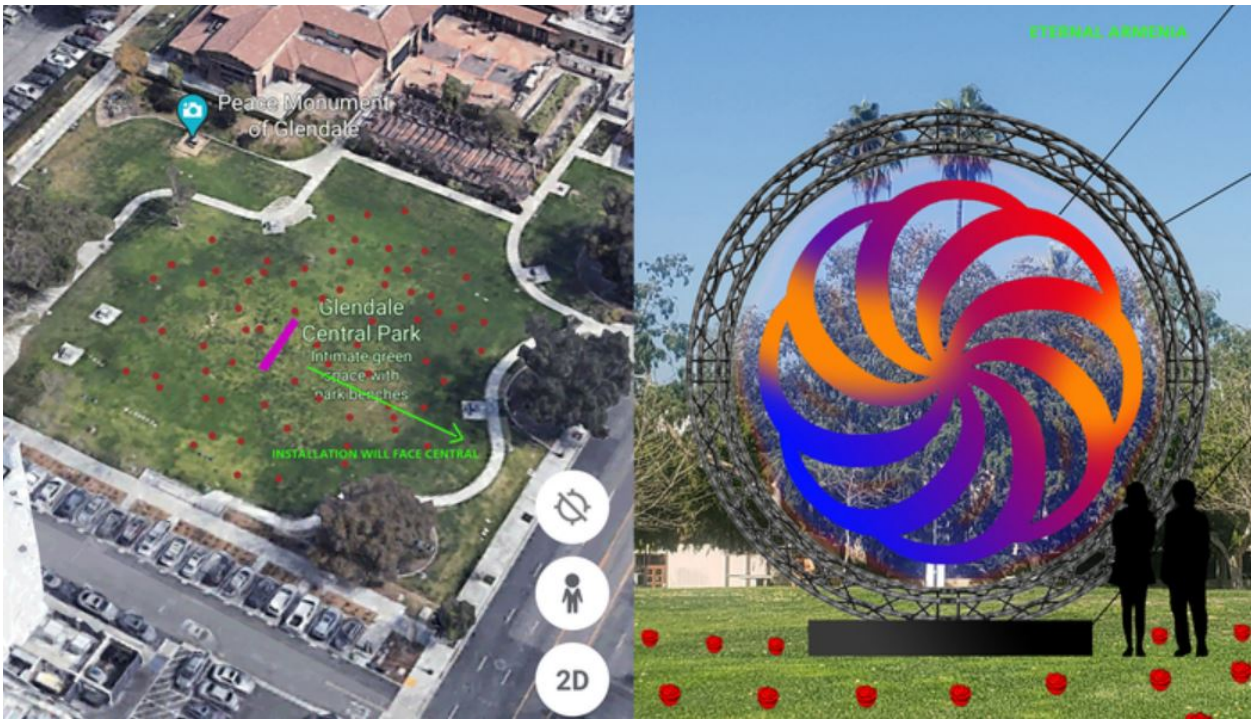
Staff respectfully recommends that the Parks, Recreation and Community Services Commission adopt a Motion to approve the “Eternal Armenia” sculpture installation at Central Park from May 12 – 30, 2021.

BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS

On March 18, 2021 during the Regular Meeting of the Arts and Culture Commission (ACC), the ACC approved two proposals in response to Armenian Genocide Remembrance Month – Call for Artists.

One of the proposals entitled, “Eternal Armenia” by an artist collective at ace/121 (led by Margarita Simonian), is a temporary sculpture installation from May 12 – 30, 2021 at Central Park. The team proposes an experiential light sculpture across the green lawn. The 18ft light-weight circular rotating aluminum truss structure with programed led lighting will be powered by generator. The ancient Armenian symbol of Eternity will light up the park like a beacon in the night while attracting astonishment in the daytime and the attention of passersby. Spread across the field will be red solar lit garden lights symbolic of red poppies in remembrance of the 4,000+ perished soldiers from the recent Artsakh war and the bloodshed of 1.5 million in the 1915 genocide.

“Eternal Armenia” Day View Rendering



“Eternal Armenia” Map View Rendering

“Eternal Armenia” Night View Rendering

FISCAL IMPACT

Sufficient funds exist in the Arts and Culture Commission's 2021 6-Month Work Plan to sufficiently pay for the "Eternal Armenia" temporary sculpture installation. There would be no fiscal impact to the Community Services & Parks department budget.

ALTERNATIVES

Alternative 1:	The Parks, Recreation and Community Services Commission may adopt a Motion to approve the "Eternal Armenia" temporary sculpture installation at Central Park from May 12 – 30, 2021.
Alternative 2:	The Park, Recreation and Community Services Commission may consider any other alternative not proposed by staff.

EXHIBITS

N/A