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Community Input Wanted for Public Art Projects
Walking Trails, Disc Golf Course Sites for New Art

Wylie, TX, June 17, 2016 – Members of the community are invited to attend an art project discussion and input session Monday, June 27, at 7 pm, regarding three new public art installation sites. Members of the Public Art Selection Committee, Public Arts Advisory Board, staff and city council members, as well as the public will meet with seven semifinal artists, who were chosen out of 157 artist submissions for the projects. The community is encouraged to attend and give input as to what they would like to see created.

The meeting will be held in the Council Chambers Conference Room in City Hall, 300 Country Club Rd., Bldg. 100.

Two of the three projects will be located at entrances to the Municipal Complex Walking Trails; the first is at FM 544 and Country Club, and the second, at Country Club and East Brown Street. The third project, located at West Brown Street and Markham Drive, will welcome visitors to the Disc Golf Park and parking area.

After receiving input, artists will be invited to submit designs that complement these areas and will be visible from the street. Semifinalist designs will incorporate a variety of materials, including steel and bronze; ceramics, concrete and fused glass. They will be traveling from all over the country to receive the community's input and discuss possible design elements to be included in their presentations that will take place Aug. 25.

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Since 2006, Wylie has dedicated 1 percent of its Capital Improvement Project funds to public art. The funds are used to create artwork that enhances citizens' experiences at municipal facilities, including parks and open spaces. The city currently has eight commissioned pieces of art.

For more information, contact City Secretary Carole Ehrlich at carole.ehrlich@wylietexas.gov or 972-516-6023.

About Wylie – Incorporated in 1887, the City of Wylie is located just 24 miles from downtown Dallas in Collin, Dallas and Rockwall counties. Possessing an outstanding school district, a low crime rate, an ISO #1 rating and an expanding business climate, Wylie (population 48,000) is one of the fastest-growing communities in the state of Texas with a 220-percent increase since 2000. In 2015, Money Magazine named Wylie the 25th Best Place to Live in the Country.

