• Agenda REGULAR MEETING HRB

MAY 10, 2022 4-6 PM HRB Meeting Zoom link: https://uci.zoom.us/j/99260206644

(no passcode) HYBRID ICHA BOARDROOM

May 10, 2022

Primary Location: ICHA CONFERENCE ROOM and Zoom Meeting

PRESENTATIONS TO HRB BY RESIDENTS AND GROUPS

HRB welcomes participation at the Board meetings. To assist you in the ease of speaking/participating in our meetings, the following guidelines are provided.

- If you wish to speak on any agenda item or other matter, you can request to be placed on the agenda under the resident communication heading.
- The "resident communications" portion of the HRB meeting is set aside for residents or groups to raise issues that are not specifically on the agenda. To ensure time to hear all residents and address old and new business, the HRB will listen to your presentation, but not vote on any matters until further discussion in Executive Session. Each presentation is limited to 5 minutes with 5 minutes for questions and answers. Total time allotted to non-agenda items will be limited to 20 minutes. The Board may use Executive Session to discuss and vote if a vote is needed; or the Board may: request further information from the resident and group to be provided at the next meeting; request that ICHA staff contact the resident if it is an ICHA matter; refer the issue to the ICHA Board; or refer the matter to the relevant subcommittee.
- Regarding items that are on the agenda, residents will be given an opportunity to speak for up to 5 minutes when the Board discusses that item.
- Residents attending meetings over Zoom should type their name into the chat and note whether they are there for an agenda item or for "resident communications."

I. PRELIMINARY

A. CALL TO ORDER

- B. ATTENDANCE (5 Minutes) Susan absent
- C. Approval of March and April Minutes approved

II. COMMUNICATIONS

A. RESIDENT COMMUNICATIONS: Any residents in attendance may present non-agenda items for 5 minutes with 5 minutes for questions and answers. The total time for this purpose should not exceed 20 minutes.

May 8, 2022

To: The Homeowner's Review Board

We live directly across the street from the two tennis courts, spa and swimming pool at the Urey Court location. As good community citizens, we tolerate the loud shouts at both the tennis courts and the pool from early in the morning until late in the evening. We don't call the police to complain when people continue loudly in the spa long after 10:00 pm.

However, now a new and loud and quite irritating additional sound is coming from the courts as residents have begun to use the two tennis courts for pickleball. You are probably aware that the noise associated with pickleball is substantially higher than that from even very good tennis players. In a recent *LA Times* article about the local controversies arising from pickleball noise it states:

"Researchers have shown that the sound of a solid pickleball paddle hitting one of the sport's hard plastic wiffleball-like balls can be more than 25 decibels louder than that of even the hardest-swung Wilson connecting with a felt-covered tennis ball."

https://www.latimes.com/california/story/2022-03-03/pickleball-noise-fueling-neighborhood-drama

This article also indicates that there are a growing number of controversies and even lawsuits regarding the problems with the very high decibel impacts of pickleball. In some communities, the noise even exceeds the acceptable decibel level in the CC&Rs.

As a former HRB member and also former member of the ICHA Board, I know that there are continuing efforts to find reasonable responses when interests and values are in conflict. I ask the HRB to consider some restrictions on pickleball on the Urey Courts. Perhaps play could be limited to the middle part of the day, since the sound carries so much more early in the morning and after dark. Or, as some communities are doing in response to lawsuits or a good neighbor approach, ICHA could put up more substantial sound barriers on the tennis courts' fences. I am uncertain whether the noise impacts are as substantial for the Coltrane court. As a very impacted neighbor of the noise from the pool, spa and courts, I believe that some mitigation should occur before the level of pickleball play becomes extensive and it is more problematic to limit it.

Thanks for considering this concern.

Jim Danziger

4 Zola Court

There are no residents requesting resident communications for this meeting.

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III. ICHA Updates

Presentation and Q&A featuring Karlie George, V.P. ICHA Home Sales (30 Min)- Karlie presented a slideshow to walk us through the rules and details about homes that are vacant or residents renting houses longer than is allowed etc; 20 houses were looked into and resold this year

IV. ICHA Updates and Q&A Andrew/Kim/Arnie (15 Min)

Andrew walked us through the rodent program, traps versus poison; Andrew sent us the icha report with updates, very helpful to HRB board; Andrew would like to meet Cami to discuss details of the storywalk

Survey ran from March 29 to April 24; 2 separate surveys for home owners and renters; discussed satisfaction of events and neighborhoods and which ranked highest etc - halloween event, concerts, craft fair; but this is just a small look at the survey and more will be put together later to share – 500 people responded

Discussed new system to link and comment on property improvements etc

V. Treasurer's Report and Budget Committee (15 Minutes) Proposed Funding Level 2022/2023

- Proposed funding levels for the following year
 - Management has requested a list of events and projects for the 22-23 year that would support the Boards request for funds
 - Although there are several events that occur annually, there may be new events and projects from the committees that may arise.

V. Black Lives Thriving Mural Art Proposal: FINAL (5 Minutes)

Arnie walking through the budget and how we used less than was budgeted, food truck etc \$8500 total - June 10th opening!

VI. COMMITTEE REPORTS (25 Minutes)

A. Sustainability Committee: no one from SC was at the mtg but the report is below, things seem to be going well for cool block challenge

Here's our report from the meeting on April 19:

- 1. Cool Block
 - Sabine follow up with Arnie/Barbara about the website Sabine & Lilli wrote draft in Wordpress, one link needs to be embedded and then the page can go live under "Groups" (Sabine still do to) There might be some people who *think* they are signed up with the program but only gave their names to Sabine or Andrea. Sabine needs to follow up with her interest list, Andrea, City folks, & people themselves to see if everybody signed up directly with the City! (Sabine still to do)
- 2. CRV Edwin & Danielle worked on getting the whole community involved into the CRV program. Previous model picking up from the houses doesn't work to scale. Working with Recycle from Home. Picking up either at CC or at private residences. Choose that proceeds go to FRESH (also available for all of Irvine). CC pick up kick off on 4/30!
- 3. REPAIR CAFE planning. -- Follow up: Earth Day event incl. the Repair Cafe & CRV pick up: The event was a full success and well-attended! Community volunteers did an outstanding job at the event (repairers, cooks, bakers, the CRV crew, the clean up crew). Many thanks also to the ICHA team who was helping with set up, during the event, and with cleanup.

Budget requests:

- The SC typically only requires about \$300 per event for refreshments; in the past we have about 3 to 4 events a year (e.g., Repair Cafe, talks). Other costs might come up (like the license fee for the screening of a documentary) but should be within reason.
- Thank you for buying new mugs and stocking the kitchen with reusables. The onsite-dishes came in handy at 2 community events & one private resident event. All of these events were 0 waste! -- It would be great to have about \$200 500 dedicated to restock/buy some more kitchen things that might be useful (nothing comes to mind right now, but as we are using the space more and more we might need more items or we need to replace).

Regarding a big ticket item (maybe in cooperation with the University), Uhills could check out
the "Big Hanna" - http://www.bighanna.com/en_us/bighannausa-com/ (hm, today their site
seems to be down, check also this out: https://www.totemicsolutionsllc.com/big-hanna-composter)

2. Entertainment Committee:

Entertainment Committee May HRB Update

Past Events:

Spring Fling: Good turn out, especially by families with young children. A true community effort.

Open Mic Night: Happening on 5/6. Will update on 5/10. Popular

Coffee Cart: Happening on 5/8. Will update on 5/10.* need more time for that update 3 dozen flowers were handed out to moms

Upcoming Events:

Photography Contest:

The Entertainment Committee is requesting \$650 to print 20 winning photos from 2020, 2021 and 2022 on canvas and display these at a gallery night at the Community Center. Likely in conjunction with an Open Mic Night. This will fall under the \$6,000 allotted to the EC for remainder of the FY21-22.

Summer Concert:

Summer "Concert-in-the-Park": A live music performance in Gabrielino Park Contact: Zach Nelson

Background: Last year, as part of an effort to safely reintroduce in-person events as the Covid pandemic was thought to be winding down(!), the HRB sponsored open-air concerts in Gabrielino Park. The events were highly successful, offering residents a chance to socialize, enjoy listening to music, and dance. Roughly 300 people attended the Madhouse concert, and 150 attended the Faux Jean concert. Building on last year's success, we are proposing a similar event this summer.

Proposed Activities: A live, open-air summer concert by Anthill, a band rooted in R&B, 90's (non Grunge), and classic rock. To encourage attendance and enhance the "summer fun", we are working through Arnie to schedule the UCIPD BBQ that evening (ie, police officers/staffers grill and distribute burgers).

Budget/Support Requested:

ltem	\$
Stage rental (includes delivery and set up of 12x16' stage to accommodate bands)	\$500
Band fee	\$1,100
Sound system rental and set up + sound engineering	\$400
Light refreshments to be served with burgers (canned beer, juice boxes, water bottles, bags of snack chips)	\$500
Grilled burgers (police to fund?); Food Truck as Plan B	\$0
Kona Ice or other dessert food truck	\$0
TOTAL:	\$2,500

^{***}Can potentially put some of these costs under current fiscal year

National Night Out: Cami discussed details of NNO

"National Night Out is an annual community-building campaign that promotes police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie to make our neighborhoods safer, more caring places to live. National Night Out enhances the relationship between neighbors and law enforcement while bringing back a true sense of community. Furthermore, it provides a great opportunity to bring police and neighbors together under positive circumstances." https://natw.org/

The primary objective of this event is Community Building: primarily, residents coming out of their homes and meeting their neighbors; secondarily, it is a way for us to start to get to know members of the UCIPD and for them to get to know our residents.

National Night Out is on Tuesday, August 9th, 2022. As opposed to creating a large-scale event where it is hard to connect, we are hoping to have four smaller designated areas for nearby residents to gather and for officers in shorts and polos to hand out ice cream and get to know residents. UCIPD will have an ice cream table set up at Gabrielino Field, Coltrane Pool Kitchen, Vista Bonita Park and Los Trancos playground from 5-7pm. At each location, the HRB will also have a table set up with a party prize wheel. Each household can bring a completed "Neighborhood Bingo" form to receive a

prize (Uhills mugs, emergency preparedness gear?, candy....). Bingo cards will be sent out electronically the week before and residents are encouraged to complete the game the week before National Night Out. The incentive for playing and bringing the card to a designated park on National Night Out is to receive a prize, ice cream from the UCIPD and socialize with neighbors.

UCIPD Officers Liz Griffin and Nick Akingbemi would be happy to meet with the HRB at our June meeting to discuss this idea further and answer any questions.

Block Party Package Proposal:

UHills Block Party Proposal

For UHills fiscal year 2022-2023, the HRB will distribute up to 5% of its budget for block parties organized by residents with the goal of community building.

Details

- Streets will receive \$150 to go towards their block party.
- Each street is only eligible to receive block party funds once per fiscal year.
- Funds will be distributed on a first come, first serve basis until the 5% budget threshold is reached.
- Organizers must agree to invite all street residents and publicly advertise the block party on the listserv.
- Any street that would like to apply for block party funds must fill out the registration form, including: street(s) participating, organizers, specific use of funds, date of event.
- Funds may be used towards (but not limited to): food, drinks, bounce house, music, entertainment. The funds may not be used for food truck minimum requirements.
- To receive reimbursement, receipts must be submitted to Arnie within 1 month of the block party date.

Logistics

- Arnie will help the Entertainment Committee create a registration page.
- The Entertainment Committee and Arnie will compile a list of food trucks without minimum requirements.
- The availability of block party funds will be made known to all UHills residents via the first e-blast of the fiscal year in July and again in January.

(Do we want to also allow use of cones, tables, chairs etc.? It could be stated that if any equipment is returned broken that the repair or replace cost will be deducted from the funds they were slotted to receive). Still to discuss this

Estimated budget for 2022-2023: \$60,000 5% = \$3,000

\$150 = 20 block parties - I suggest we start with \$150 since we do not know what to expect in terms of numbers. We can trial \$150 this year and see how many requests we receive and adjust as needed next year.

Cami discussed the unills block party proposal and Motion to formalize the policy as above and approved by HRB

- C. Transportation Committee:
- D. Welcoming and Wellness:
- E. CSD/PSAC:

PSAC is holding a UCI Community Wide Forum on Envisioning Public Safety May 10 3-5 PM

Hobart attended and gave a wrap up of the details

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 CSD in conjunction with the entertainment committee is sponsoring events celebrating LBGTQ+ Pride Saturday, June 4 2022 (in the social mtg rooms of the CC)

Mack gives brief update on pride June 4th event; 11 am to 3 pm, book fair but also other HRB things ice cream truck etc, asking for \$500 for ice cream and art supplies etc., included in current approved budget, at the uhills community center

6. Garden Mentoring

The HRB thanks Andrea Canfield for her time and efforts put into this committee. A new chair will be requested in the new board. Andrea will continue to work with the Gardeners' Club as needed with the new chair.

Hi, Hobart!

Thanks for thinking of me and the garden mentoring committee. None of the gardeners club members volunteered to be a liaison to HRB, and I am not sure if you elected a new chair of the garden mentoring committee? I I am not sure if the committee is still viable, although the club still exists. I think that adding some funding for education about patio gardening and aquaculture would be very helpful in the future, especially for residents who do not have access to outdoor dirt areas, such as those in coming to area 12. Maybe \$500 could be reserved for seasonal (3 to 4 events during the calendar year) education and supplies for patio/balcony gardening, small scale composting, and worm bins.

Cheers, Andrea
Hi again!
I would love to do an event similar to the fresh food fair, again sometime! This year it will probably be just a Zot funder and located at the Fresh Hub or Tanaka farms. The lead time for all the different entities involved last year was about six months, so it would be too late for such a comparably large event at they Community Center for this coming summer.
Cheers, Andrea We could perhaps have a Fresh food Fair in June 2023 and set aside funds. (HT)
We are still looking for a volunteer coordinator
Volunteer Board Member to attend May ICHA Board Meeting - Cami to attend the ICHA Meeting on 5/12
Addressing two noise complaints:
 children playing at the Cervante apartments the pickle ball court sounds - icha will take a closer look right now hours of the courts at 7 am to 9 pm; maybe move pickle ball hour to later in the day, talk to pickle ball group and get ideas
*Sandrine will miss June and July meetings
Adjourn
PREVIOUS APPENDICES:

Sustainability Committee Report

Meeting, 3/21/2022

Attending: Cindy Haq, Rebecca Tuhus Dubrow, Sabine Kunrath (notes)

4. Cool Block

Feedback that we need to work on putting the information on the Uhills.org website. Sabine is working with Shweta from the City Cool Block program management to get a template; Sabine & Lilli LaBuen Gillen will then work with ICHA staff to get the information on the website ASAP. We'll have the signup information (environmentalprograms@cityofirvine.org) for new block leaders on the website, also a map of the existing Cool Blocks. Discussion whether leaders/members should be named on the website - this is up to them. Once we have the website we can show it to Cool Blocks and ask leaders/members if they would like to be on. – Once cohort 1 and 2 are done we should have an inperson celebration/celebrating the bounty of our community (all cool blocks!) ... Probably in late July/August.

Consensus that we need lots of opportunities to get together safely and in a safe space as we are all still processing the past couple years - in addition to climate change, war ...

5. "Ecoflix" documentaries

John Liu, who gave a talk in Uhills last August, will make a documentary series for "Ecoflix" and would like to film some activities and locations in our neighborhood - something like the "COOL BLOCK PARTY" would be a great occasion. – Ask ICHA if there are any restrictions to filming in the neighborhood (permissions from ICHA/homeowners/party attendees etc.) and what the process is to obtain approval.

6. Spring fling - 4/16, 9:30 - 11:30 am

Audrey Kapelinski will be a booth volunteer, along with Sabine; Sherry from entertainment may help, too, and the HOOT group was requested to split the booth with us. Cindy will do story time for kids.

The SC will be located next to the City who will display the Cool Block program. SC will host a planting activity for kids (Sabine will buy soil & provide seeds). Focus is not on information, more on networking - we'll refer people to our Earthday event (4/30) for more information on compositing - update SB1383 etc.

7. Collecting CRVs for the FRESH hub

Danielle Soenen and Edwin Amenta will soon get a message out to the community about expanding the recycling program that benefits the FRESH hub at UCI.

	at UCI.
	8. Next meeting is scheduled for April 19, 5:30 pm, CC courtyard.
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-ENTERTAIN	NMENT COMMITTEE REPORT:
•	Clarification- EC not to exceed \$6000. This was approved in the previous meeting.
•	Please see the EC Update for the HRB Meeting on 4/5. FYI, I will be out of the country next week for IUSD Spring Break. I am planning on logging on to the meeting, but in case I encounter any internet issues and I am not there - you know why!
	Thanks, Cami
	Past Events:

Paint Party: 18 participants. Wide range of ages.
 Positive feedback.

Current & Upcoming Projects:

- Photography Contest 3/5-5/15
- Requesting \$ to print and frame past and present photo contest winners photographs. Potentially display all past and present photo contest winners' framed prints for a small gallery night display at CC on 6/3 at 5:30pm prior to Open Mic Night.
- Sandrine to submit an estimate costs.
 - Spring Fling on 4/16
 - 2- \$25 gift cards to HS kids to wear Bunny Costume (approved under the \$6000 from the prior meeting)
 - Coffee Cart: Working on Sunday schedule. Will trial Gabrielino Field location.
 - Open Mic Night on 5/6
 - Requesting \$150 to purchase light refreshments (approved under the \$6000 from prior meeting)
 - Summer Movie Nights: Proposal passed following last meeting.
 - UHills Night at the Barclay: Please see attached proposal.
 - Explore opportunities to gauge interest in the community
 - Determine minimum number of guests committed to attend.
 - For this year, the HRB is comfortable to move forward with the event.
 - Brad suggests piloting the event without a survey and determine if this
 is something to continue
 - If committee wants to pursue the event, they can decide.
 - Cami suggests to wait until next fiscal year

- Entertainment Interest Space: Please see attached proposal.
 - Would like to have this be put on UHills.org
- StoryWalk: Please see the proposed list below for the first year of books for the UHills StoryWalk. These laminated book spreads will be reused in future years. The objective when developing this list was to choose diverse, engaging, meaningful and fun books. They cover a wide range of important topics. Opportunity for residents to submit suggestions for books. HRB approves book list. APPROVED

June: Last Stop On Market Street by Matt de la Pena

July: The Snail and the Whale by Julia Donaldson

August: Chalk by Bill Thomson

September: How to Make an Apple Pie and See the World by

Marjorie Priceman

October: The Monsters' Monster by Patrick McDonnell

November: The Masterpiece by Jay Miletsky

December: Our Favorite Day of the Year by A.E. Ali

January: The Snowy Day by Ezra Jack Keats

February: Worm Loves Worm by J.J. Austrian

March: The Curious Garden by Peter Brown

April: The Rabbit Listened by Cori Doerrfeld

May: Super Manny Stands Up! by Kelly DiPucchio

• From: University Hills Entertainment Committee

Date of Proposal: April 1, 2022

Proposal: UHills Night Out at the Barclay Description: UHills Entertainment Committee will host a social hour at the Barclay theater before the Friday, June 9th concert: John Beasley's MONK'estra. This show features Grammynominated pianist and composer John Beasley, leading his 15-piece band in new arrangements of jazz legend Thelonious Monk's music. Residents will purchase their own tickets to the performance. A 20% UHills discount code will be provided. UHills will rent out a reception area at the Barclay to host a social hour from 6:30pm-7:30pm prior to the 8pm show. UCI catering will provide light refreshments and beverages. Residents can come and enjoy a social gathering with neighbors prior to the 8pm show. *This event can be scheduled for a different show/date, including Friday May 27th, for the UCI Symphony Orchestra Spring Concert. Both of these dates allow us to us funding from the current fiscal year. We can also postpone this idea and hold it in the next fiscal year. Budget: Rent Reception Room: \$350 Bartender: \$25 UCI Catering: \$500-\$1000 depending on selections

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Attention: University Hills Homeowners Representative Board Members 1085 California Ave., Irvine, CA 92617

- No objections to post on UHills website.
- From: Entertainment Committee Chris Chin (cchin0021@gmail.com)

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Date of Proposal: 2/6/2022

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Proposal: Create a "live" database for UHills of resident-created interest groups, crowd-sourced to/ by residents.
 "One stop shop" for residents to find/promote/join/organize other likeminded people. There are many groups in the community, but people aren't aware, so hopefully the Entertainment committee (EC) can

provide a way for groups to advertise themselves, for people to find groups, and encourage others to start their own/find like-minded people.

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Description: Primary Objective • "One stop shop" for residents to find/promote/join/organize with other likeminded people • Crowd Source: Have a standardized form via Google Forms. Residents add their group information and let us know what information they want to make public • Centrally located database: View only spreadsheet via Google Forms with a centralized link location (perhaps the Uhills.org "GROUPS" tab) that get updated regularly •

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Moderator/Librarian: Information submitted via the above mentioned form, will not be automatically/immediately published. An Entertainment Committee (EC) member, currently Chris Chin, will review and format entries and notify the rest of the EC members before posting to the above mentioned database/spreadsheet. • We will not add groups unless they complete the form. We want to be discrete, and be sure a group/person/info does not become public unless they want it to. • Any resident who has submitted data can request to have any or all data edited or taken down at any time, and we must respect that and comply.

MURAL PROPOSAL FINAL

- Cami- concern for noise and light pollution during the evening hours
 - o They are not painting during this time, but stenciling the mural
 - Look into altering the time frame for late night stenciling
- Addition to new proposal
 - Maintenance for mural
 - Between 5-10 years the mural will need to be touched up.
 - This can be done by members of the community with proper training
- Outreach to homeowners is recommended to do now
 - Mural committee members to notify homeowners

HRB approved Proposal- noting that the HRB is requesting that the homeowners be notified immediately

Attention:

University Hills Homeowners Representative Board Members

Date of Proposal: April 5, 2022

Proposals Name: Community Art Activism Project University Hills "Celebrating Black Thriving" (BLM) Mural

Proposed by: Mural committee: Lilli LaBuen, Hobart Taylor, Gerald Parham, Jesse C. Jackson (advisor), Anne Marie Grill (Founder of original proposed project and past committee member)

Proposed Location

0. On wall behind picnic tables in Playground Park at Truth and Angelou



0. Budget: \$ (Originally, HRB approved \$12,400)

Previous Expenditures	QTY	Projected	Actual	
Artists RFP	3	300	\$900.00	Paid
Omar	1	\$875	\$875.00	Paid
James	1	\$875	\$875.00	Paid
Primer, Tape, Measuring Tape		\$294.59	\$294.59	Paid
Andrea Miller:Consultant		\$601.24	\$601.24	Paid
TOTAL			\$3,545.83	

	\$1502.84 x 2 (each			
Artist Pay	artist	3005.68	3005.68	
Contingency: Travel Stipend				
or Lodging	\$7/gallon (2)			For 6 nights
	\$40/day for 7 days	4		
Meal Per Diem	each artist	\$560	\$560	
June 10th Celebration	Food truck, DJ	1000	\$1,000	
Supplies	Quantity	Price per unit	Total	Vendor
Nova Color Acrylic Paint-Yellow, 1 Gallon	1	\$82.00	\$82.00	Nova Artist Acrylic Paint
Nova Color Acrylic Paint-Red, 1 Gallon	1	\$82.00	\$82.00	Nova Artist Acrylic Paint
Nova Color Acrylic Paint-Green, 1 qt.	1	\$26.50	\$26.50	Nova Artist Acrylic Paint
Paint Quart	15-30	\$16.98	\$509.40	Home Depot
Paint Gallon	3-5	\$36.98	\$184.90	Home Depot
4 in. x 11 in. Mini Paint Roller Frame	3	\$3.27	\$9.81	Home Depot
High Density Knit Fabric Mini Roller	3	\$9.98	\$29.94	Home Depot
Plastic Mini Roller Tray	6	\$1.87	\$11.22	Home Depot
Blue Painters Tape	1	\$38.48	\$38.48	Home Depot
Latex Gloves	2	\$14.98	\$29.96	Home Depot
1-Gal. White Plastic Pail (Pack of3)	1	\$11.54	\$11.54	Home Depot
White Rags	1	\$11.98	\$11.98	Home Depot
Clear Sealer	2	\$19.98	\$39.96	Home Depot
Richeson Utility Brush Assortment of 48	1	\$42.19	\$42.19	Blick
Richeson White Bristle Brush Assortment of 24	2	\$26.23	\$52.46	Blick
Package of cups	1	\$3.19	\$3.19	Various stores
Previous Expenditures	see above		\$3,545.83	
TOTAL			\$10,017	

Integrating Interactive and Educational Properties:

- 1. The DAP mural committee has created a webpage on the Uhills website with the help of Arnie Bengo, Community Liaison. The webpage includes an image of each person on the mural that will directly link the observer to a website where they can learn more about each historical figure.
- 2. Placing a QR code somewhere on the mural will be a great way to create an interactive experience with the mural content.

Background:

In the summer of 2020, Anne Marie Grill and Lilli LaBuen Gillen started a <u>Petition</u> to the UCI community and ICHA to allow a Black Lives Matter street mural to be painted on streets bordering the UCI campus and University Hills. The petition was signed by over 1200 UCI faculty, staff, students, and University Hills residents and garnered support from all parts of the UCI community, including members of the <u>Community Safety and Diversity Working Group</u>, <u>Black Faculty and Staff Association and the Center for Black Cultures</u>, <u>Resources and Research</u>, and members of the <u>UCI End Racism Working Groups</u>.

In September of 2020, Uhills Homeowner Representative Board (HRB) unanimously approved locating the project within the University Hills community. The Irvine Campus Housing Authority offered their endorsement and support. Artists were hired and a mockup of the mural was shared at the Community Safety and Diversity Working Group (CSD) Juneteenth event in 2020. Feedback of the project was received from the participants at the event and incorporated by the artists, Omar Martinez and James Brooks. The theme of the mural is a celebration of Black Lives Thriving and contributions made by trailblazing African-American people who broke barriers and changed history forever.

It is our goal that this is seen as an important opportunity for our University Hills communities to come together and show support for our diversity and our commitment to social change. Our activism for diversity, inclusion, equity should not stop. These murals, in multiple parts of University Hills' public spaces, will keep the community energized, focused, inspired, and committed to this vital movement.

Installation:

After in-depth conversations and research, the artists recommend painting directly onto the brick wall. The artists successfully tested the primer and paint on the cement blocks which held under inclement weather. They recommend the use of Nova paint, which is a paint used by muralists that results in a vibrant and longer-lasting image. The entire painting process will take about a week.

ICHA Requests:

The committee requests for ICHA to support with:

- Power wash of wall on 5/10 to prepare for primer
- Landscape- removal of trees in front of wall
 - Pause of irrigation for May 12-20
- Power source for spray gun (location of outlets)

Outdoor extension cords

Logistics

0. Installation timeline: May 9-20

1. Mural Process:

May 9: Removal of trees

o May 12: Power wash wall

May 14-15 (Saturday and Sunday):

Prep area including tarps and any tools needed

Roll on primer and let dry (half day?)

Spray-gun background color (ensuring neighbor's yard is protected Paint ripple effect

Transfer letters, (projector)

- May 15th/16th 9pm-12am Transfer letters and images of people; must be done at night with projector, need power and all street lights turned off
- o May 16th-20th: Paint letters, people, and touch up.

Additional Support:

Jesse C. Jackson asked if UCI students could observe the process.

Maintenance:

The Uhills HRB will agree to cover expenses for maintenance until an alternative source for funding is determined. The mural art committee is in the process of research and development of a maintenance plan. Irvine Campus Housing Authority will provide maintenance for irrigation and landscape surrounding the mural.

Communications:

- 2. The committee will send an email to stakeholders in the following order:
 - ASAP: homeowners who live behind the wall (two options: committee will reach out directly to the homeowners in person OR committee will ask ICHA to send communication through a formal message)
 - After HRB/ICHA approval of most recent proposal: All Uhills group leaders, CSD members, and Juneteenth invitees/participants (See Appendix A)
 - The community at large (See Appendix B)
- 3. A web page has been drafted. View here:

 Contact for this project will be: Lilli LaBuen Gillen, Hobart Taylor, Gerald Parham, Arnie Bengo (ICHA). Barbara Correa will create an alias: "communityart@uhills.org"

Additional Notes:

- 5. **Public response:** We anticipate the mural will be a center point for future conversations and events. Use of the area for such events are subject to special approval by HRB and ICHA.
- 0. Revised Budget: Original budget was \$12,400 and revised budget is \$9500
- 1. **Lodging for Artists:** Omar Martinez and James Brooks can start painting in mid-May. It will take a week to prepare and the artists will need to find lodging nearby. We plan to ask for lodging on listserv.
- 2. **Per diem**: A request of a per diem for food per artist of \$40/day in Visa Gift Card.
- 3. **Ribbon Cutting Ceremony:** June 10th Production schedule: Including setup and breakdown: 4-8pm (event 5-7pm)
 - o hire food truck, secure speakers, invite artists, music playlist
- 4. **Uhills Community Public Arts Council:** We hope to create a Uhills Community Public Art Group and start a conversation on the next piece of public art.

APPENDIX A

Message to Stakeholders:

Announcement to Uhills Stakeholders

Dear Friends and Neighbors,

Beginning in August of 2020, voices in the community requested that we initiate a conversation on systemic injustice through the lens of art activism that will speak to all: children, youths, and adults. It started with a <u>petition</u> built upon an outpouring of support for George Floyd and others who bore the brunt of that injustice by initiating community art projects. A proposal was brought to the University Hills Homeowners Representative Board, who approved it unanimously. After several meetings with Irvine Campus Housing Authority, a committee was formed, a call for artists was initiated, and after reviewing submissions, an artist was selected.

The initial mural mockup was shared with a focus group at the CSD's Juneteenth celebration last summer. Concerns shared by members of that group were appropriate locations, and the reflection of themes that promote Black Thriving.

The artists redesigned the original mural and it went from being a timeline of the struggle to a celebration of Black people who were trailblazers and changed history by breaking barriers due to the confines of racism.

We are proud to announce the final concept! The mural will be painted on the wall behind the picnic tables at Playground Park off Truth and Angelou during the month of May. The artists will be prepping and painting mid-May and the ribbon cutting and celebration will occur on June 10th between 5-7pm.



We are in the process of creating a webpage that includes information about the mural, the artists behind the image, the timeline, and access to resources to learn about each person in the mural. Families will be able to print out coloring pages, and the CSD will hold activities focusing on anti-racism education.

We are extremely grateful to ICHA for the opportunity to install this first piece of public art in the neighborhood and we hope to continue creating meaningful art that reflects the spirit and embodiment of the diverse peoples of University Hills.

If you are interested in the creation of a Uhills Community Art council or group, please fill out this form. If you have any questions regarding the mural project, please contact us at communityart@uhills.org.

In the spirit of community,

The Uhills mural committee:

Hobart Taylor, Gerald Parham, Lilli LaBuen, Anne Marie Grill, Jessie C. Jackson

APPENDIX B

Message to Community at Large

April 4, 2022

Subject line: Public Art in University Hills: Celebrating Black Lives and Black Thriving!

Dear Residents,

In the past few years, our lives were heavily impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic, natural disasters, and civil injustices. As we work to navigate through a new normal, we are still confronted by the realities of social injustices. Thankfully, we live in a neighborhood rich in cultural and social diversity, with residents who truly care about these issues. We see signs throughout the streets and in windows. In June 2020, our hearts were full to witness over 270 residents in University Hills participate in a march to protest the continuing injustices confronted by people of color on campus and beyond. In the spirit of UCI's Black Thriving Initiative, UHills residents, with support from the Community Safety and Diversity Working Group, proposed installing public art in support of Black Thriving somewhere on campus or in our community.

After several meetings with University and Community representatives, the University Hills Homeowners Representative Board (HRB), and the Irvine Campus Housing Authority (ICHA), it was decided to install a mural in University Hills. In June 2021, an early iteration of a proposed mural was shown at the CSD Juneteenth Celebration at Coltrane Kitchen. Following that event, participants focus groups commented on both proposed locations and design of the mural.

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We'd like to thank the Uhills HRB, ICHA, and the CSD for their continued support and collaboration and we hope you can join us as we create our very first work of public art.

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In the spirit of community,

The Uhills mural committee: Lilli LaBuen, Hobart Taylor, Gerald Parham Anne Marie Grill, Ex-Officio committee member Jessie C. Jackson, Advisor

Timeline:

To view the full timeline of the project, please visit: uhills.org/.....

Protest: Uhills "Walk with Us, Stand Together" march to UCI PD June 2020 Petition: August 2020 Proposal to HRB: Feb 2021

Mockup and Presentation: June 2021 (CSD Juneteenth)