

February 21, 2006

Honorable Mayor and Members of
The Hermosa Beach City Council

Regular Meeting of
February 28, 2006

**Beach Cities Gates
Temporary Public Art Proposal**

Recommendation

The Parks, Recreation and Community Resources Advisory Commission recommends that Council approve the proposal from Caroline Falk to implement a temporary display of 'gates' designed by local youth located on the greenbelt.

Background

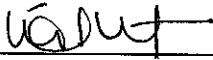
At its February 7, 2006 meeting, the Commission reviewed a letter of request (Attachment A) from Caroline Falk dated February 1, 2006. Ms. Falk is requesting approval for a temporary public art program. The intent is to create a venue for artistic exposure to youth populations.

The school districts of Hermosa Beach and Manhattan Beach will facilitate the production of 5,000 'gates' (Attachment B) to be created by school aged children Kindergarten through 8th grade. The flags will be dispersed along the greenbelt through both cities for the duration of one weekend.

The City yard will be utilized for project material storage. The unveiling will coincide with the South Park Teen Program at the south end of the City during the month of May in 2007. Exact date to be determined, pending Centennial Calendar of Events.

Respectfully submitted,

Concur,



Lisa Lynn
Community Resources Director



Steve Burrell
City Manager

Caroline Falk
1045 14th Street
Hermosa Beach, CA 90254



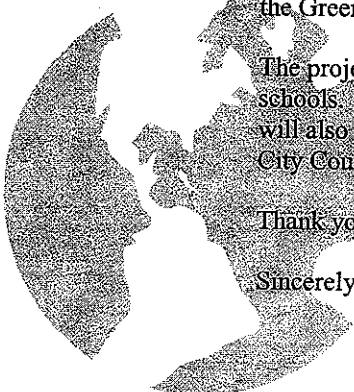
Beach City Gates

February 1, 2006

Ms. Lisa Lynn, Director
Department of Community Affairs
Community Center
710 Pier Avenue
Hermosa Beach, CA 90254

Dear Lisa,

I would like to request to have my project "Beach City Gates" put on the agenda of the February 7th, 2006 meeting of the Parks and Recreation Commission. My project is an art installation to be put on the Greenbelt for one weekend in the month of May, 2007.



The project will be constructed by students in grades K-8 from Hermosa Beach and Manhattan Beach schools. It will be installed by parent volunteers. The project is self-funded by Young at Art, who will also be responsible for the clean-up. I would like to get permission from the Commission and City Council to move forward with my project.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Caroline Falk
Artist

Beach City Gates

A Project for Manhattan Beach and Hermosa Beach, California

"Beach City Gates" is a proposal for an art installation in the Greenbelt by the students of Hermosa Beach and Manhattan Beach enrolled in the Young At Art Program. The project is inspired by the artist Christo's "The Gates" installation in Manhattan's Central Park in February, 2005. The intention is to teach the students about outdoor installation as an art form, and to engage with the community at large to create a positive shared experience with art.

All the Materials will be provided and paid for by Young At Art. In addition, YAA will be responsible for the set up and complete removal of the installation and making sure no damage comes to the Greenbelt. The project will not interfere with the regular pedestrian use of this park space due to the relative small size of the project components.

The project requires permission for use of the Greenbelt by the City Council and any other relevant authorities.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

