

REPORT OF GENERAL MANAGER

NO. 09-174

DATE: June 17, 2009

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BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

SUBJECT: MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION AND PARKS AND THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY PROBATION DEPARTMENT FOR THE JUVENILE JUSTICE CRIME PREVENTION ACT AFTER-SCHOOL ENRICHMENT AND SUPERVISION PROGRAM FOR FISCAL YEAR 2009-2010

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 General Manager

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Approved _____ Disapproved _____ Withdrawn _____

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board:

1. Approve a proposed Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), substantially in the form on file in the Board Office, subject to approval of the Mayor, City Council, and the City Attorney as to form, between the Department of Recreation and Parks (Department) and the Los Angeles County Probation Department (County) for continued Juvenile Justice Crime Prevention Act (JJCPA) (formerly known as the Schiff-Cardenas Crime Prevention Act) grant funding up to \$548,535 to provide youth services during specified hours of peak juvenile criminal occurrences for a ninth fiscal year (2009-2010) at selected recreation facilities and a variety of Animal Services facilities, for the period of July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010;
2. Direct the Board Secretary to transmit forthwith the proposed MOU to the Mayor in accordance with Executive Directive No. 3 and to the City Attorney for review as to form; and,
3. Authorize the Board President and Secretary to expeditiously execute the MOU, subsequent to the necessary approvals.

SUMMARY:

The County awards and administers funding for the State's JJCPA grant funding and the Department has received over \$5.1 million in JJCPA funding during the past eight years to continue programs

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designed to serve at-risk youths through the Clean and Safe Spaces (CLASS) Parks Youth Employment Internship Program (YEIP). This program provides participants with positive activities and alternatives for new learning experiences. The County has offered the Department an additional \$548,535 for Fiscal Year 2009-10.

Two new programs will be included in the proposed MOU for Fiscal Year 2009-10. The Animal Services Internship in partnership with the Department of Animal Services (Animal Services) will provide twenty-five participants with hands-on training in animal care at a variety of Animal Services facilities, learning the responsibilities and skills necessary for a career in this field. The Culinary Arts Internship will provide participants with hands-on training in one of the fastest growing industries in the nation. The program will offer youth training in food preparation, chef preparation, banquet management, menu design, food handling certificate, proper etiquette and hygiene and exposure to entry level career opportunities in hotels, restaurants, catering companies, and school lunch programs. This will further the Department's mission by providing youth at risk of joining gangs the opportunity to use their newly acquired skills to engage in community service and employment opportunities.

As stated in previous MOU's, staff will continue the Camp Counselor Leadership, Sports Management and Officiating, Crime Scene Investigation and Multi-media Production training programs. These programs have been approved through various board reports related to JJCPA Grant (May, 2002, Board Report 02-210; May, 2003 Board Report 03-145; August, 2003, Board Report 03-271; March, 2005 Board Report 05-69; May, 2006 Board Report 06-110; June 2006 Board Report 06-166; April 2007 Board Report 07-94; May, 2008 Board Report 08-121).

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

This MOU will allow the Department to advance funds to provide the negotiated services, and then submit requests for reimbursement from the County. The Department must obligate these funds by executing this MOU no later than June 30, 2009, to ensure future reimbursement. The Department may realize a financial benefit as participants enrolled in the Camp Counselor Leadership Training program successfully complete the course and begin to serve as volunteers at Department facilities. There is no fiscal impact to the Department's General Fund.

This report was prepared by Anita Meacham, Principal Recreation Supervisor I, CLASS Parks.