

S P E C I A L M E E T I N G A G E N D A

BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS
OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES

Wednesday, April 4, 2012 at 9:35 a.m.
or as soon thereafter as the Commission
recesses its Meeting noticed for 9:30 a.m.

EXPO Center
Community Hall Room
3980 S. Bill Robertson Lane (Formerly Menlo Avenue)
Los Angeles, CA 90037

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Boulevard and Bill Robertson Lane)

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REQUEST FORM AT THE MEETING PRIOR TO THE BOARD'S CONSIDERATION OF THE
ITEM AND SUBMIT IT TO THE COMMISSION EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT.

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WILL BE HEARD ONLY AT THE TIME THE RESPECTIVE ITEM IS CONSIDERED, FOR A
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PRIOR TO THE BOARD'S CONSIDERATION OF THE ITEM. EACH SPEAKER WILL BE
GRANTED TWO MINUTES, WITH FIFTEEN (15) MINUTES TOTAL ALLOWED FOR PUBLIC
PRESENTATION.

1. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORTS:

- 12-110 Los Angeles Riverfront Park - Use Agreement with the Los Angeles County, Department of Public Works, Flood Control District for the Use of Portions of the Los Angeles River for Public Recreational Purposes
- 12-111 Los Angeles Riverfront Park Project - Phase II (W.O. #E170406F) Project - Final Plans and Call for Bids
- 12-112 Drum Barracks Civil War Museum - Request for Final Authorization to Acquire Property at 1061 Carey Avenue as an Extension to Museum - Approval of Purchase and Sale Agreement, and Allocation of Proposition K Funds
- 12-113 Anthony C. Beilenson Park - Proposed Naming of Athletic Field Naming in Honor of Barry A. Sanders

2. NEXT MEETING:

The next scheduled meeting of the Board of Recreation and Park Commissioners will be held on Wednesday, April 18, 2012 at 9:30 a.m., at Chevy Chase Recreation Center, 4165 Chevy Chase Drive, Los Angeles, CA 90039.

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REPORT OF GENERAL MANAGER

NO. 12-110

DATE April 4, 2012

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BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

SUBJECT: LOS ANGELES RIVERFRONT PARK – USE AGREEMENT WITH THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY, DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT FOR THE USE OF PORTIONS OF THE LOS ANGELES RIVER FOR PUBLIC RECREATIONAL PURPOSES

R. Adams _____
H. Fujita _____
V. Israel _____

K. Regan _____
*M. Shull *M. Shull*
N. Williams _____

[Signature]
General Manager

Approved _____

Disapproved _____

Withdrawn _____

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the Board:

1. Approve a proposed Use Agreement (Agreement) with the Los Angeles County, Department of Public Works, Flood Control District, substantially in the form on file in the Board Office, for the development and use of portions of the Los Angeles River for public recreational purposes, subject to the approval of the Mayor and City Council, and of the City Attorney as to form;
2. Direct the Board Secretary to transmit a copy of the Agreement to the Office of the Mayor per Executive Directive No. 3, and the City Attorney for review and approval as to form;
3. Authorize the Board President and Secretary to execute the Agreement upon receipt of all necessary approvals.

SUMMARY:

The City of Los Angeles', Department of Public Works, Bureau of Engineering has completed the design and construction plans for the Los Angeles Riverfront Greenway – Phase II project (Project) which is a project initiated and principally funded by the City of Los Angeles Assessment District 96-1 (Proposition K - L.A. for Kids Program).

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The overall Proposition K – Riverfront Greenway consists of various phases that will eventually extend along the River from the eastern edge of Studio City to the Interstate 405 (San Diego) freeway. The Project is also a part of the Los Angeles River Revitalization Master Plan (LARRMP), adopted by the City Council in May 2007.

The City proposes to construct, operate, and maintain certain improvements on the premises in connection with the Project, including but not limited to ornamental fencing, landscaping, an irrigation system, gateways and vehicle ramps, enriched paving, seating, environmental education signage, and recreational trails, as shown on (Exhibit B), as well as a small community “greenbelt” park. The Project is proposed on County-owned land that runs along the River right-of-way and is currently used as a flood control channel maintenance access road. There are two locations along the River that are affected by the Project. These are located between a) Sepulveda Boulevard and Kester Avenues along the south bank (Exhibit A, Sheet 1 and 2 of 4); and b) Coldwater Canyon and Whitsett Avenues on the south bank (Exhibit A, Sheet 3 and 4 of 4).

Upon completion, the Project will provide the local community with passive and active recreational opportunities that are currently severely lacking in the area, and provide an important connection segment of the Los Angeles River Greenway that represents an overarching goal of both the City’s Los Angeles River Revitalization Master Plan and Los Angeles County’s 1996 Los Angeles River Master Plan, as well as the 1996 L.A. for Kids Program which is aimed at combating the recognized shortage of recreational opportunities throughout the City.

As indicated above, the Project is to be constructed on County owned land under the jurisdiction of the County’s Department of Public Works, Flood Control District. The Use Agreement being presented for approval was prepared by the County. The City Attorney and staff have reviewed it and have determined that the terms and conditions contained therein to be acceptable. The Use Agreement carries a term of twenty-five (25) years, with each party reserving the right to cancel with sixty (60) days written notice to the other party. There is no consideration required under the proposed Use Agreement. The design and construction of the Project will be funded by Proposition K and Federal Transportation Funds. at no cost to the County. The improvements will remain under the City’s ownership during the term of the Use Agreement. However, upon termination or expiration of the Use Agreement, the City will be required to remove the improvements at no cost to the County and restore the premises to the conditions similar to or better than that which existed on the effective date of the Use Agreement unless the County decides to keep the improvements or the Use Agreement is extended.

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Staff has determined that the underlying project to the proposed agreement has been previously evaluated for compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and was found to be categorically exempt pursuant to Article III, Section 1(d), Class 4 (13) with no exceptions. The scope of work that formed the basis of this exempt determination is substantially the same and the current environmental conditions have not changed. Therefore, the exemption is still valid for the project and covers the approval of the implementing agreement.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

There is no fiscal impact to the Department's General Fund for the design and construction of the project, since it will be paid for using Proposition K and Federal Transportation funds. However, upon completion of the project, operational maintenance cost will be determined, and a request for funding will be submitted in future Department annual budget requests.

This report was prepared by Cid Macaraeg, Sr. Management Analyst II, Planning Maintenance and Construction Division.

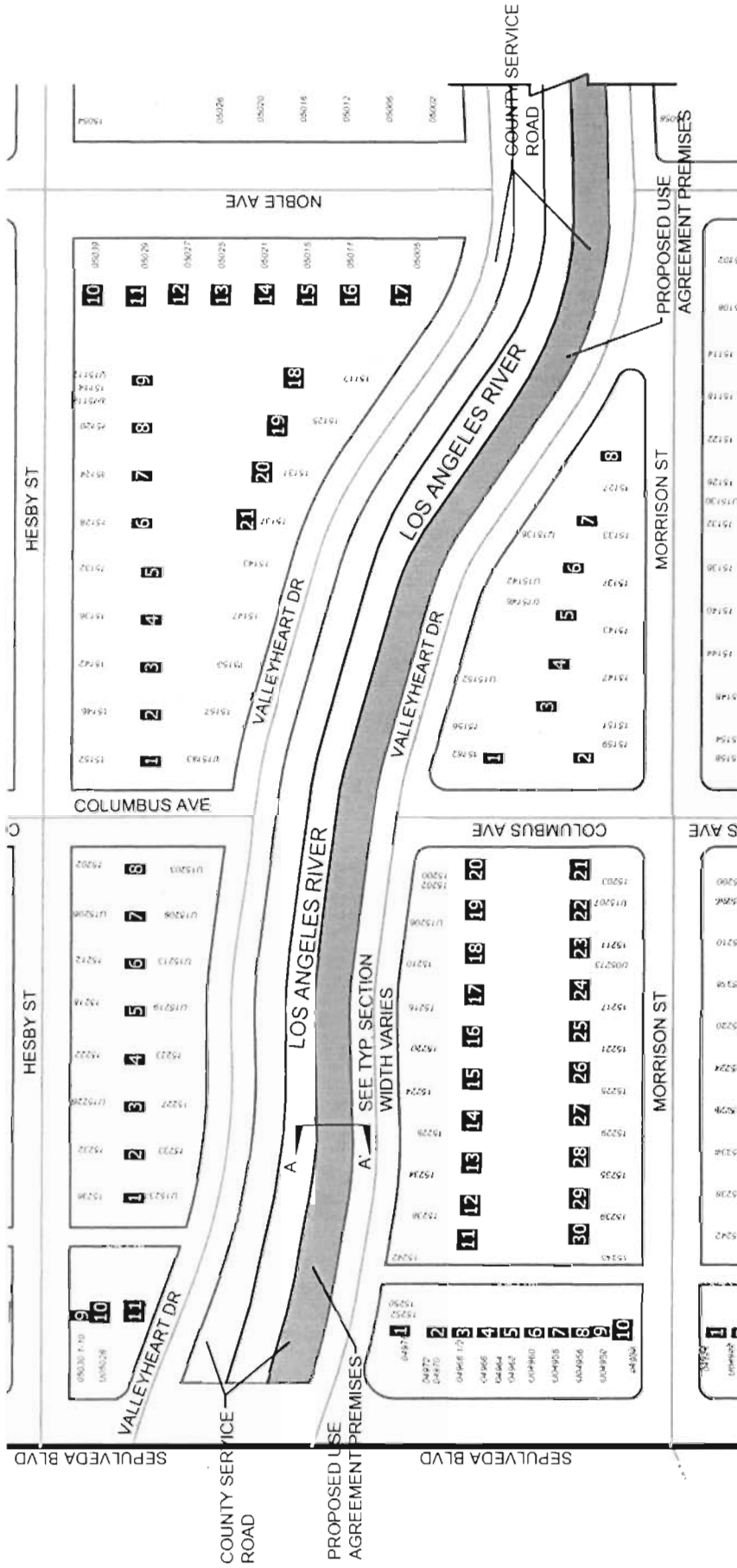


EXHIBIT A - SHEET 1 OF 4

LOS ANGELES RIVERFRONT PARK PROJECT PHASE II
 SEPULVEDA BLVD. TO KESTER AVE. REACH SOUTH BANK



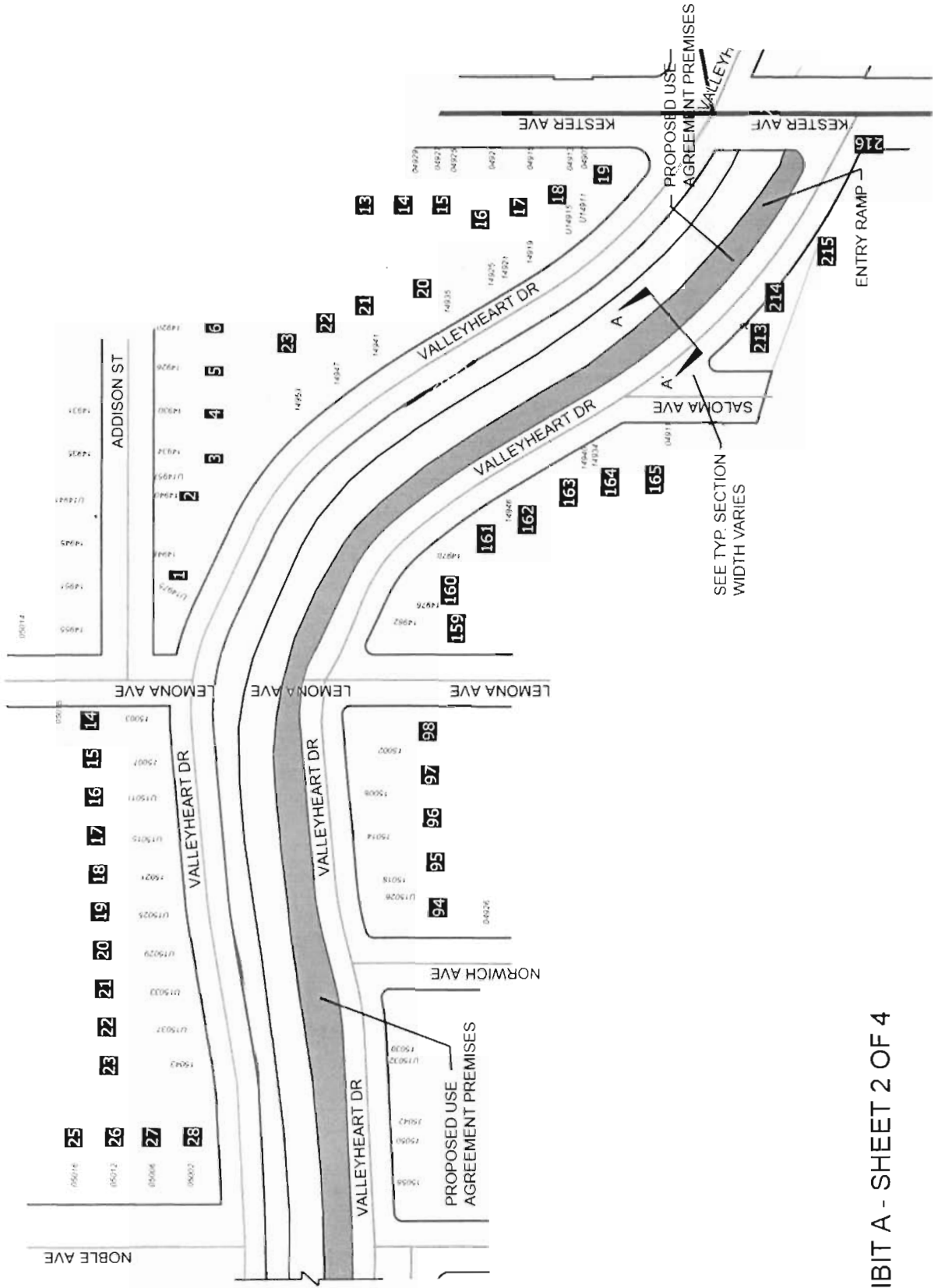


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LOS ANGELES RIVERFRONT PARK PROJECT PHASE II
 SEPULVEDA BLVD. TO KESTER AVE. REACH SOUTH BANK



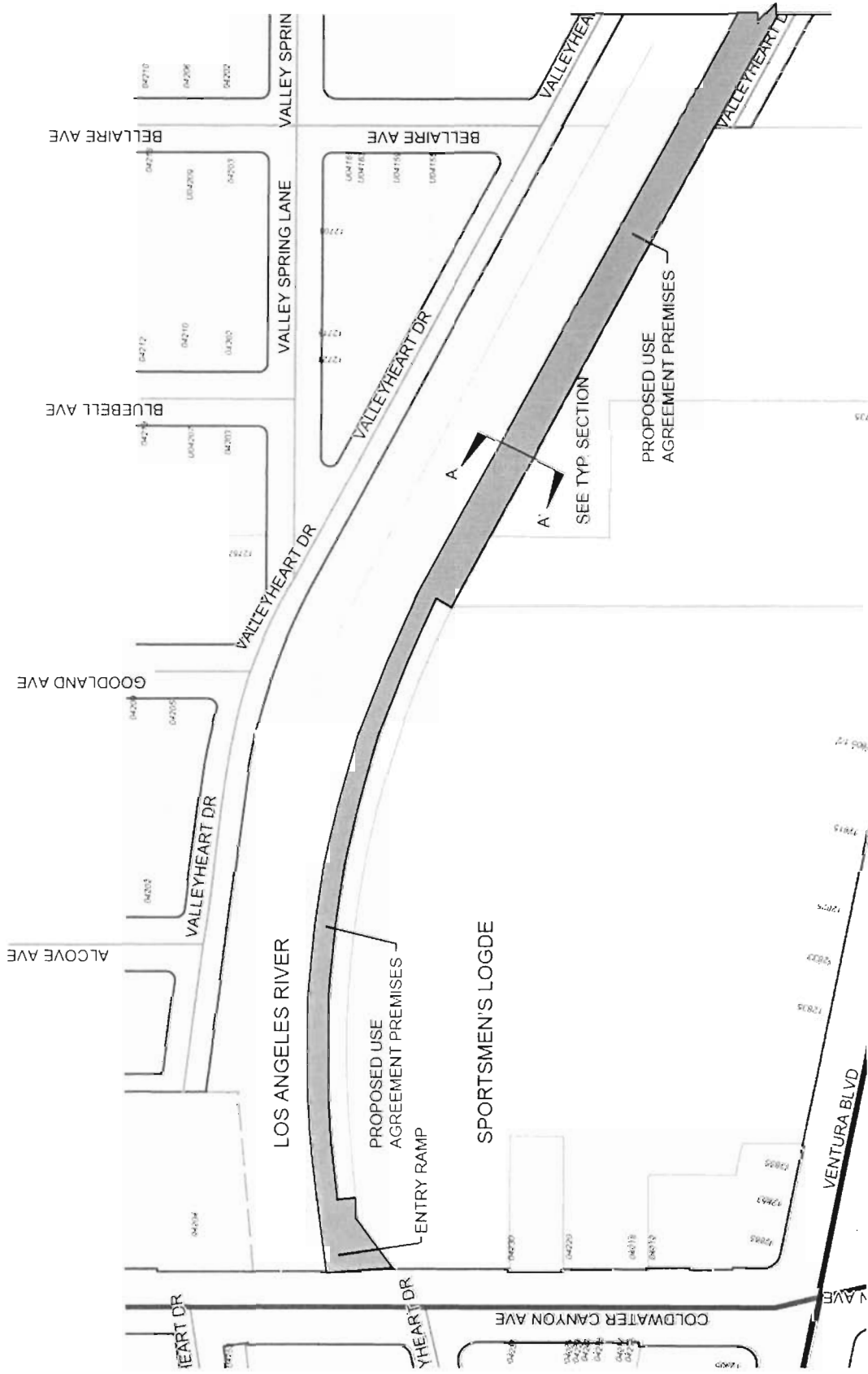
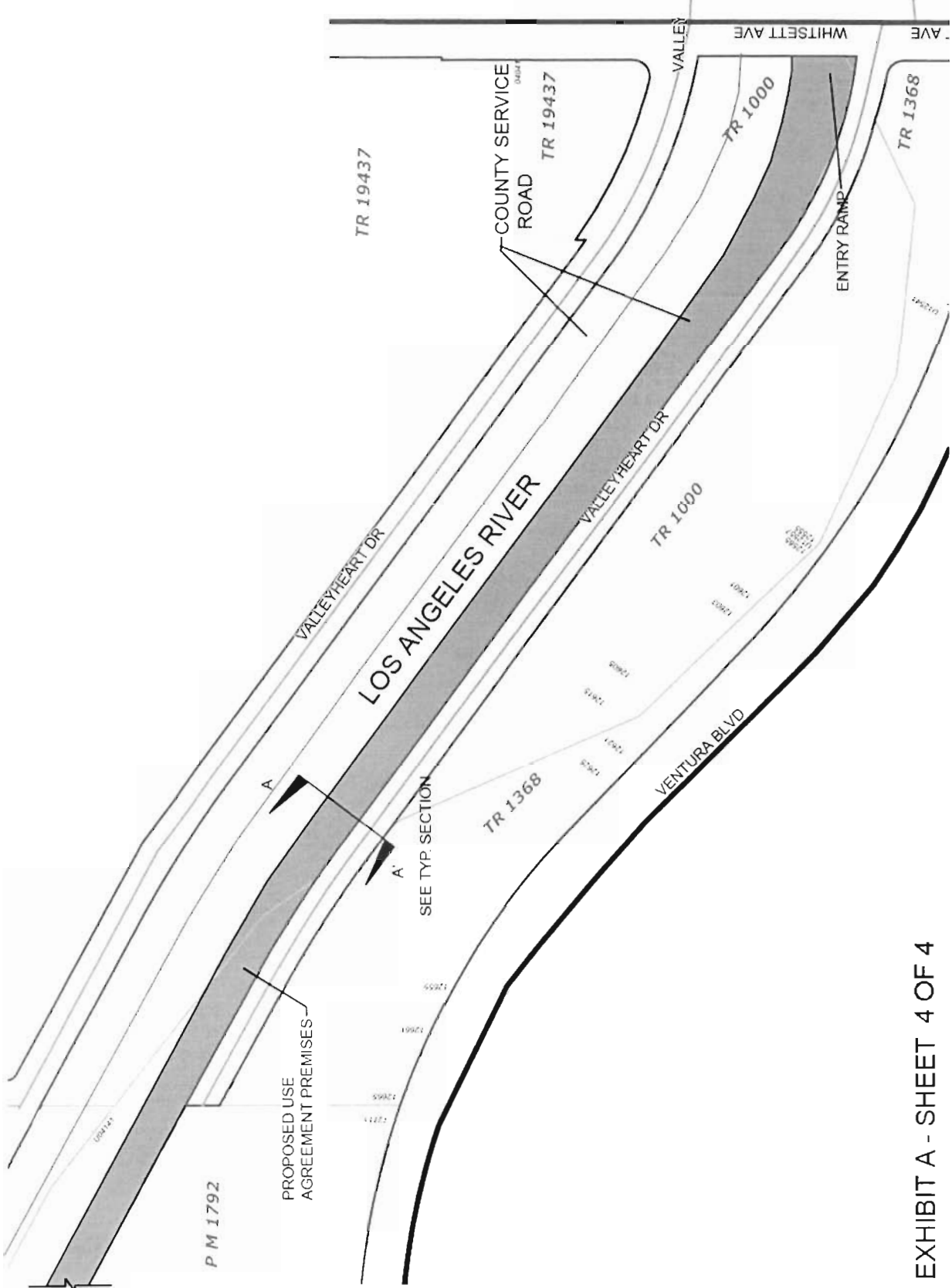


EXHIBIT A - SHEET 3 OF 4



LOS ANGELES RIVERFRONT PARK PROJECT PHASE II
 COLDWATER CANYON AVE. TO WHITSETT AVE. REACH
 SOUTH BANK



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PROPOSED USE
AGREEMENT PREMISES

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COUNTY SERVICE ROAD

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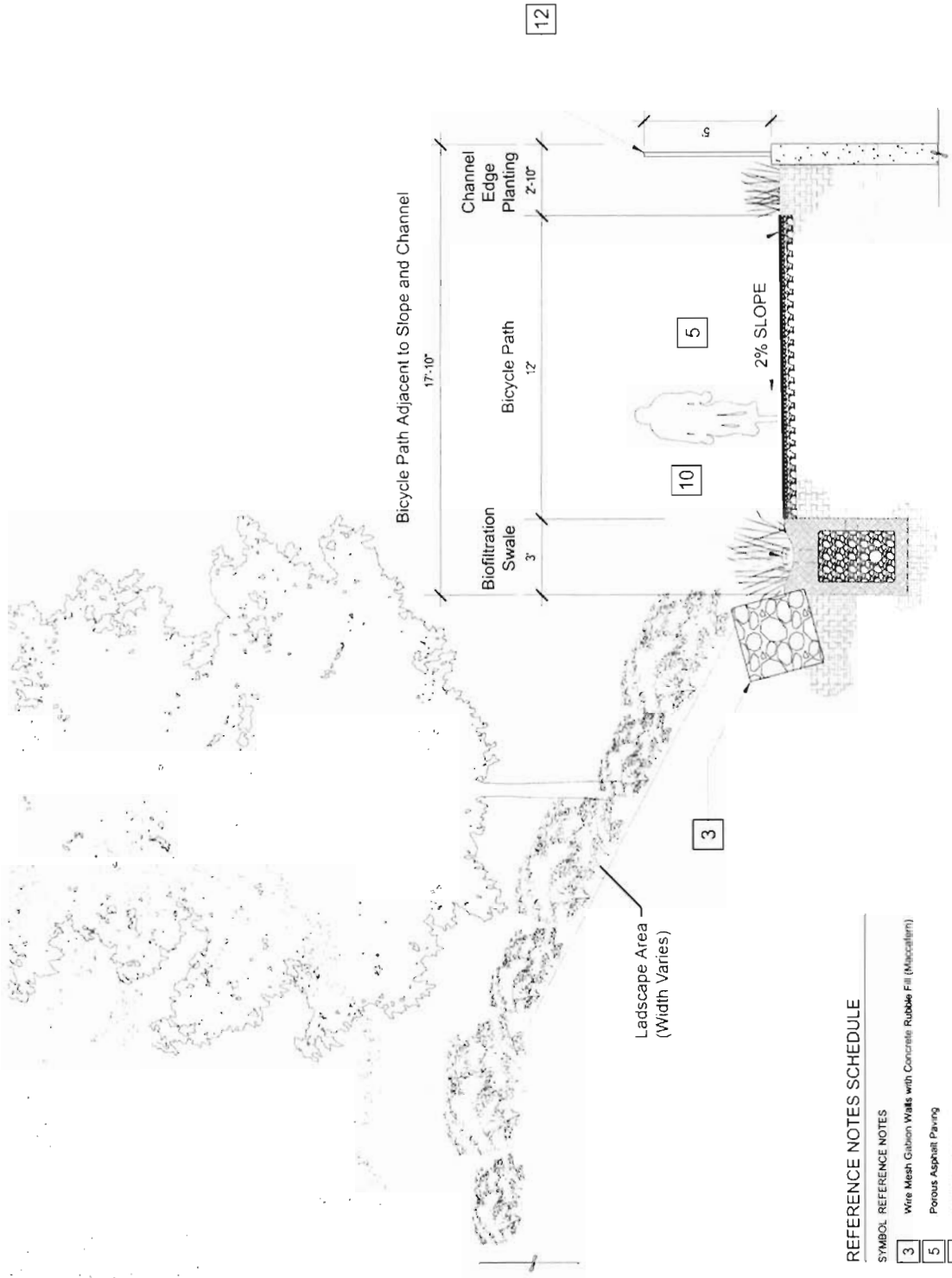
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LOS ANGELES RIVERFRONT PARK PROJECT - PHASE II
COLDWATER CANYON AVE. TO WHITSETT AVE. REACH
SOUTH BANK





REFERENCE NOTES SCHEDULE

SYMBOL REFERENCE NOTES

- 3 Wire Mesh Gabion Walls with Concrete Rubble Fill (Maccallum)
- 5 Porous Asphalt Paving
- 10 Biofiltration Swale
- 12 Ornamental Fence

EXHIBIT "B" - SHEET 1 OF 1

LOS ANGELES RIVERFRONT PARK PROJECT - PHASE II
TYPICAL SECTION A - A'

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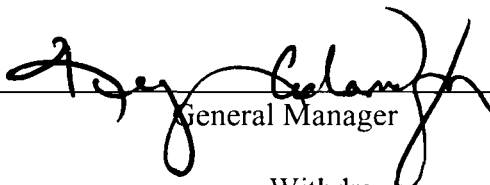
DATE April 4, 2012

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BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

SUBJECT: LOS ANGELES RIVERFRONT PARK – PHASE II (W.O. #E170406F) PROJECT
– FINAL PLANS AND CALL FOR BIDS

R. Adams	_____	K. Regan	_____
H. Fujita	_____	*M. Shull	<u><i>MS</i></u>
V. Israel	_____	N. Williams	_____



 General Manager

Approved _____ Disapproved _____ Withdrawn _____

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the Board:

1. Approve the final plans and specifications for the Los Angeles Riverfront Park – Phase II (W.O. #E170406F) project; and,
2. Approve a reduction in the minimum value of base bid work to be performed by the Prime Contractor from 50% to 20%; and,
3. Approve the date to be advertised for receipt of bids as Tuesday, May 8, 2012 at 3:00 P.M. in the Board Office, subject to the approval of the Use Agreement with the Los Angeles County, Flood Control District.

SUMMARY:

Submitted are final plans and specifications for the Los Angeles Riverfront Park – Phase II (W.O. #E170406F) Project. Plans for this Project were prepared by Mia Lehrer & Associates, a consultant landscaping architectural firm.

The Los Angeles Riverfront Park – Phase II (Project) is a project initiated and principally funded by the Proposition K - L.A. for Kids Program. This Project is part of the overall Los Angeles Riverfront Park project that was specified in the Proposition K Ballot Measure to consist of land acquisition and greening along the Los Angeles River. The overall riverfront project consists of various phases that will eventually extend along the Los Angeles River, generally along the south side of the river, from the eastern edge of Studio City to the Interstate 405 (San Diego) freeway.

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The overall riverfront project is also part of the Los Angeles River Revitalization Master Plan (LARRMP), adopted by the City Council in May 2007.

This Project is to be constructed on land that is owned by the Los Angeles County Flood Control District, which is governed as a separate entity by the County Board of Supervisors. The Project site is on two river reaches that are located along the south bank of the river, between Sepulveda Boulevard and Kester Avenue, and between Coldwater Canyon Boulevard and Whitsett Avenue. This area is currently used as a flood control channel maintenance access road but it is not currently accessible to the public. The Los Angeles County Flood Control District has approved a 25-year Use Agreement with the City for this portion of the riverfront. The Use Agreement Report is being considered by the Board on April 4, 2012.

The Project plans call for the construction of public recreational improvements that include, but are not limited to, ornamental fencing, landscaping, an irrigation system, gateways and vehicle ramps, enriched paving, seating, and recreational trails. The City Engineer's estimated total construction cost is for the base bid of this project is \$4,000,000. The base bid, without consideration of any additive alternates, shall be considered as the basis for determining the lowest bidder for the project.

The following improvements will be included in the bid as additive alternates in order to gain flexibility in providing the maximum scope possible with the available funding:

- Additive Alternate No. 1 – Sight Lighting (luminaries).
- Additive Alternate No. 2 – Entry Signage.
- Additive Alternate No. 3 – Interpretive Environmental Signage.
- Additive Alternate No. 4 – Small Park on the Sepulveda Reach.

Additive Alternate No. 1 involves wiring and installation of site lighting for security purposes only and not to provide for public use of the site at night. If awarded, Additive Alternate No. 1 would entail electrical work for a total of approximately one mile of lighting. Thus, the bid package includes the Board of Public Works Enhanced Electrical Safety Policy which requires the contractor to employ electrical workers that meet certain enhanced levels of training for electrical work.

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The scope of this project involves the participation of many different types of subcontractors with no particular contracting trade dominating the overall scope of work. Currently, the policy of the Board has been to require that the Prime Contractor perform a minimum of 50% of the value of the base bid. Staff believes that reducing the Prime Contractor minimum participation requirement to 20% on this project will help create more competitive bid pricing among the subcontractors providing bids to the Prime Contractors and will also attract a broader range of Prime Contractors, thus, creating a larger competitive market.

Funds for construction including contingency, are available in Proposition K - Year 9 through Proposition K - Year 18 from the following accounts:

<u>Funding Source</u>	<u>Fund/Dept. No./Acct No.</u>
Proposition K - Year 09	43K/10/10Y232
Proposition K - Year 10	43K/10/10A232
Proposition K - Year 10	43L/10/10A232
Proposition K - Year 11	43K/10/10C232
Proposition K - Year 12	43K/10/10E232
Proposition K - Year 13	43K/10/10F232
Proposition K - Year 14	43L/10/10G232
Proposition K - Year 15	43K/10/10H232
Proposition K - Year 15	43L/10/10H232
Proposition K - Year 16	43K/10/TBD ⁽¹⁾
Proposition K - Year 17	43K/10/TBD ⁽¹⁾
Proposition K - Year 18	43K/10/TBD ⁽¹⁾

⁽¹⁾ This project also qualifies for Proposition K Interest and/or Inflation and To Be Determined (TBD) Funds pending approval of the Reprogramming Report which is part of the Annual Assessment Report and approval of the Engineer's Report by the Los Angeles City Council, anticipated to occur by June 30, 2012.

Staff has determined that the Project was previously evaluated for compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and was found to be categorically exempt pursuant to Article III, Section 1(d), Class 4(13) of the City CEQA Guidelines with no exceptions. The scope of work that formed the basis of the exempt determination is substantially the same and the current environmental conditions have not changed. Therefore, the exemption is still valid for the Project. The bid package has been approved by the City Attorney's office. Council District Two and Valley Region Staff support the recommendations set forth in this report.

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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

There is no immediate fiscal impact to the Department of Recreation and Parks' General Fund for the design and construction of the Project. However, once this project is completed, operational maintenance cost will be determined and a request for funding will be submitted in future Department annual budget requests.

This report was prepared by Jaime Contreras, Project Manager, Recreational and Cultural Facilities Program, Bureau of Engineering (BOE). Reviewed by Neil Drucker, Program Manager, Recreational and Cultural Facilities Program, BOE; Deborah Weintraub, Chief Deputy City Engineer, Bureau of Engineering; and by Michael A. Shull, Superintendent, Planning, Construction and Maintenance Division, Department of Recreation and Parks.

This item not included in the package

12-112 Drum Barracks Civil War Museum - Request for Final Authorization to Acquire Property at 1061 Carey Avenue as an Extension to Museum - Approval of Purchase and Sale Agreement, and Allocation of Proposition K Funds

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NO. 12-113

DATE April 4, 2012

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BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

SUBJECT: ANTHONY C. BEILENSON PARK – PROPOSED NAMING OF ATHLETIC FIELD NAMING IN HONOR OF BARRY A. SANDERS

R. Adams _____
H. Fujita _____
V. Israel _____

K. Regan _____
*M. Shull anf
N. Williams _____

[Signature]
General Manager

Approved _____

Disapproved _____

Withdrawn _____

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the Board:

1. That the Board grant approval to name the accessible athletic field at Anthony C. Beilenson Park as the “Barry A. Sanders Sports Field” in honor of Mr. Barry A. Sanders; and,
2. Authorize the installation of appropriate park signage (Exhibit A), to be funded by the Los Angeles Parks Foundation.

SUMMARY:

Anthony C. Beilenson Park (Beilenson Park) is located at 6200 Balboa Avenue, in the Van Nuys community. This is a 169-acre sub-park which is located within the Sepulveda Basin Recreation Area. Beilenson Park includes Lake Balboa, barbeque pits, a children’s play area, a universally accessible playground, picnic tables, picnic pavilions, a walking path, and pedal boats.

The Los Angeles Parks Foundation has suggested naming the accessible athletic field, currently under construction, in honor of Mr. Barry A. Sanders. Mr. Sanders has been instrumental in leading the campaign to secure the funding needed to build this premier field. He personally reached out to individuals at the Weingart Foundation, LA84 Foundation and The Annenberg Foundation utilizing relationships developed over his many years of legal practice and service to the City. Mr. Sanders has been a tireless advocate for grant funds to build the field because he felt so strongly that Los Angeles and the Department of Recreation and Parks (RAP) has the responsibility to provide a special field that will enable physically challenged youth the opportunity to experience the benefits and thrill of team participation.

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While the Department of Recreation and Parks has an adopted policy on naming which prohibits the naming of an entire park after a living person there is no such restriction on the naming of individual park features or facilities. There are however, a number of precedents to the practice of such naming particularly when an individual has been so instrumental in the development of the said feature or facility. Examples of such precedents include naming the Universally Accessible Playground at Pan Pacific Park “Renee’s Place” for the council staff member who spearheaded the project, or the new athletic field at EXPO Center for Mr. Steve Soboroff in recognition of his many years of service to the EXPO facility and his fundraising efforts which allowed for the construction and operation of that field.

The Department of Recreation and Parks management and staff are in support of the recommendations as set forth by the Department.


The proposed sign language has been attached hereto as Exhibit A.

Staff has determined that the subject project is exempt from provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), pursuant to Article III, Section 1, Class 11 (1), of the City CEQA guidelines, which provides for placement of signs on park property as accessory structures to recreational facilities.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

No significant fiscal impacts will be incurred as the sign and installation costs will be paid for by the Los Angeles Parks Foundation.

This report was prepared by Melinda Gejer, City Planning Associate, Planning, Construction and Maintenance Division.

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 8414 San Fernando Road, Sun Valley, CA 91354 Web Page- charismadesign.com

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 Sports Field Welcomes You . . .
 CITY OF LOS ANGELES - RECREATION & PARKS DEPARTMENT

option 1

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Standard 120" x 24" sandblasted redwood park sign.
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 (818) 252-6610 , thanks Lillian Menashe

Option_____

Approved By_____date_____