

A G E N D A

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

Wednesday, September 5, 2012 at 9:30 a.m.

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

(Parking located in "Lot 1", at the corner of Martin Luther King
Boulevard and Bill Robertson Lane)

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

PURSUANT TO COMMISSION POLICY, COMMENTS BY THE PUBLIC ON AGENDA ITEMS
WILL BE HEARD ONLY AT THE TIME THE RESPECTIVE ITEM IS CONSIDERED, FOR A
CUMULATIVE TOTAL OF UP TO FIFTEEN (15) MINUTES FOR EACH ITEM. ALL
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WILL BE HEARD DURING THE "PUBLIC COMMENTS" PERIOD OF THE MEETING. EACH
SPEAKER WILL BE GRANTED TWO MINUTES, WITH FIFTEEN (15) MINUTES TOTAL
ALLOWED FOR PUBLIC PRESENTATION.

1. APPOINTMENT OF BOARD SECRETARY:

Appointment of LaTonya D. Dean as Board Secretary

2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

Approval of the Minutes of the Meetings of August 8, 2012

3. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORTS:

12-243 Culver Slauson Recreation Center Phase II (Youth
Community Center) (PRJ20550) (W.O.#E1907289) -
Acceptance of Stop Notices on Construction Contract No.
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12-244 Culver Slauson Recreation Center Phase II (Youth
Community Center) (PRJ20550) (W.O.#E1907289F) - Release
of Stop Notices on Construction Contract No. 3361

12-245 Lemon Grove Recreation Center - Outdoor Development -
Phase II (#1264C) - Forfeiture of Money Withheld Under
Contract No. 2895

12-246 Eagle Rock Monument - Irrigation and New Landscape
(W.O.#E170352F) Project - Contract No. 3351 - Final
Acceptance

12-247 Mid-Valley Intergenerational Multipurpose Center
(W.O.#E170239F) Project - Final Plans and Call for Bids

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- 12-248 Arroyo Seco Park - Hermon Park - Installation of Sculpture with Plaque
- 12-249 Griffith Park - Autry Museum of Western Heritage - Installation of Statue
- 12-250 Sepulveda Basin Recreation Area - Anthony C. Beilenson Park - Barry A. Sanders Sports Field - Donor Recognition Plaque
- 12-251 50 Parks Initiative - Gift Agreement with the Los Angeles Parks Foundation for the Development of a New Park: 76th Street Pocket Park Including Landscape Improvements and Site Furnishings
- 12-252 Golf Concessions - Cancellation of Five Requests for Proposals Processes, Rejection of all Proposals Received and Return of Proposal Deposits
- 12-253 Griffith Observatory - Memorandum of Understanding with Friends of the Observatory
- 12-254 Las Palmas Senior Citizen Center - Agreement with Canyon School, Inc., for the Operation and Maintenance of a Child Care and Development Program on Park Property
- 12-255 Ross Snyder Recreation Center - Agreement with Pacific Asian Consortium in Employment for the Operation and Maintenance of a Head Start Preschool on Park Property
- 12-256 EXPO Center - Donation from Friends of EXPO Center for 2012 Summer Camp Scholarships
- 12-257 Griffith Observatory - Donation from Friends of the Observatory
- 12-258 Griffith Observatory - Donation from Friends of the Observatory to Support the Griffith Observatory School Program in School Year 2012-2013
- 12-259 Griffith Park - Hollywood Sign - Donation of Materials and Services to Strip and Repaint the Hollywood Sign
- 12-260 Los Angeles Parks Foundation - April 2012 through June 2012 Quarterly Report of Gifts Made for the Benefit of Los Angeles City Parks
- 12-261 Various Donations to Operations Branch - Valley Region
- 12-262 Various Communications

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4. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

11-232 Camp High Sierra - Agreement between the Department of
Item to be Recreation and Parks and Mammoth Mountain Ski Area, LLC,
Withdrawn for the Development, Operation, and Maintenance of the
Campground

11-238 Sherman Village River Greenway Park - Preliminary
Item to be Authorization to Proceed with the Lease of Property
Continued Owned by the County of Los Angeles for the Development of
a New Public Park and a Memorandum of Agreement between
the Department of Recreation and Parks, the County of Los
Angeles, and IMT Capital, LLC, for the Development and
Maintenance of the New Public Park

12-150 Sepulveda Basin Recreation Center - Anthony C.
Item to be Beilenson Park All-Access Sports Field - Donor
Withdrawn Recognition Plaque

12-212 Griffith Park Train Ride Concession - Proposed Ticket
Item to be Price Increase
Continued

12-241 Appropriation from Unreserved and Undesignated Fund
Balance in Fund 302 to Various Accounts in the
Department of Recreation and Parks

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

Approval of the Minutes of the Meetings of June 20, 2012 and July
19, 2012

5. NEW BUSINESS:

Memorandum: Citywide Pilot Recycling Program - Dream Machine
Kiosks

6. COMMISSION TASK FORCES:

- Commission Task Force on Concessions (Commissioners Stanley and Williams)
- Commission Task Force on Facility Repair and Maintenance (Commissioners Alvarez and Werner)

7. GENERAL MANAGER'S ORAL REPORT:

Report on Department Activities and Facilities

8. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

Requests by Commissioners to Schedule Specific Items on Future
Agendas

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9. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Any comments which require a response or report by staff will be automatically referred to staff for a report at some subsequent meeting.

10. NEXT MEETING:

The next scheduled meeting of the Board of Recreation and Park Commissioners will be held on Wednesday, September 19, 2012 at 9:30 a.m., at Anderson Memorial Center, 828 South Mesa Street, San Pedro, CA 90731.

11. ADJOURNMENT:

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REPORT OF GENERAL MANAGER

NO. 12-243

DATE September 5, 2012

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BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

SUBJECT: CULVER SLAUSON RECREATION CENTER PHASE II (YOUTH COMMUNITY CENTER) (PRJ20550) (W.O. #E1907289) – ACCEPTANCE OF STOP NOTICES ON CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT NO. 3361

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

K. Regan _____
*M. Shull *[Signature]*
N. Williams _____

[Signature]
General Manager

Approved _____

Disapproved _____

Withdrawn _____

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board direct staff to withhold the amounts claimed in the following Stop Notices, plus an additional sum equal to twenty-five percent (25%) thereof, to defray any costs of litigation in the event of court action, if said amount of said funds are available, and to notify contractors, sureties, and other interested parties that the amount of said claims plus twenty-five percent (25%) will be withheld.

SUMMARY:

STOP NOTICES:

The Department is in receipt of legal notices to withhold construction funds, pursuant to California Civil Code Sections 3103 and 3181, on the following contract:

Contract No. 3361 CD 11

Culver Slauson Recreation Center Phase II (Youth Community Center) (PRJ20550) (W.O. #E1907289) General Contractor: Nile Advanced Construction, Inc.

Project Status: Construction Claimant: McDe's Rock Pumps, Inc.
Amount: \$3,493.00

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Project Impact: None

Claimant: Robertson's
Amount: \$17,155.89

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

Acceptance of Stop Notices has no impact on the Department's General Fund.

This report was prepared by LaTonya D. Dean, Commission Executive Assistant.

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BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

SUBJECT: CULVER SLAUSON RECREATION CENTER PHASE II (YOUTH COMMUNITY CENTER) (PRJ20550) (W.O. #E1907289F) – RELEASE OF STOP NOTICES ON CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT NO. 3361

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

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

Kenneth J. [Signature] (for)
General Manager

Approved _____

Disapproved _____

Withdrawn _____

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board accepts the following requests for Release of Stop Notices.

SUMMARY:

RELEASE OF STOP NOTICES:

The Department is in receipt of Release of Stop Notices filed by the claimants below, which releases the Board from any and all liability for withholding funds from the general contractors or the sureties:

Contract No. 3361 CD 11

Culver Slauson Recreation Center Phase II (Youth Community Center) (PRJ20550) (W.O. #E1907289F) General Contractor: Nile Advanced Construction, Inc.

Project Status: Construction Claimant: Robertson's
Amount: \$17,155.89

Project Impact: None Claimant: Commercial Coating Co. Inc.
Amount: \$8,632.23

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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

The release of funds does not impact the contract amount, and therefore, approval of the releases will have no impact on the Department's General Fund.

This report was prepared by LaTonya D. Dean, Commission Executive Assistant.

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BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

SUBJECT: LEMON GROVE RECREATION CENTER – OUTDOOR DEVELOPMENT – PHASE II (#1264C) – FORFEITURE OF MONEY WITHHELD UNDER CONTRACT NO. 2895

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

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

Kenneth J. [Signature]
General Manager

Approved _____

Disapproved _____

Withdrawn _____

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the Board:

1. Approve the forfeiture of funds in Contract No. 2895, in the amount of \$6,342.72 for State penalties for underpayment of the prevailing wage by Ecology Construction, Inc. the prime contractor;
2. Direct the Chief Accounting Employee to prepare a draft in the amount of \$5,042.72 payable to the State of California for unpaid wage restitution, and forward the draft to the Bureau of Contract Administration, Office of Contract Compliance, Attention: Chris Jenson, for processing to the California Labor Commission; and,
3. Direct the Chief Accounting Employee to transfer funds in the amount of \$1,300 to Revenue Account 4331 – Penalties and Forfeitures for Fund 100, Department 76 of the City’s General Fund, and notify Chris Jenson of the Office of Contract Compliance in the form of a memorandum when this action is taken.

SUMMARY:

The Board of Recreation and Park Commissioners, at its meeting held on June 21, 2000, accepted work performed by Ecology Construction, Inc. (Ecology) for work performed on the Lemon Grove Recreation Center – Outdoor Development – Phase II (#1264C), Contract No. 2895, Board Report No. 00-240.

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At the time of acceptance, the Office of Contract Compliance had determined that the prime contractor, Ecology, failed to comply with the labor compliance requirements of the contract. Based on the evaluation of the inspector logs, certified payroll records, worker interviews, and other pertinent payroll documents, it had been determined that Ecology failed to pay the correct prevailing wage rate and under-reported the number of workers employed on the project. As a result, \$6,342.72 was withheld from the retention payment to Ecology to cover labor compliance issues on this project. It is now in order for those funds to be forwarded to the State.

The total amount of wage restitution and State penalties to be forfeited is \$6,342.72 as detailed below:

<u>CONTRACTOR</u>	<u>ALLOCATION</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Ecology Construction, Inc.	Wage restitution	\$5,042.72
	State penalties	<u>\$1,300.00</u>
TOTAL		\$6,342.72

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

There is no fiscal impact to the Department's General Fund, as funds for this project have already been appropriated for this purpose.

This report was prepared by LaTonya D. Dean, Commission Executive Assistant and was reviewed by Chris Jenson, Management Analyst II, Department of Public Works, Office of Contract Compliance.

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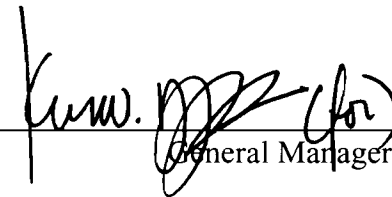
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BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

SUBJECT: EAGLE ROCK MONUMENT – IRRIGATION AND NEW LANDSCAPE (W.O. #E170352F) PROJECT – CONTRACT NO. 3351 – FINAL ACCEPTANCE

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


 General Manager

Approved _____ Disapproved _____ Withdrawn _____

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the Board:

1. Approve the final acceptance of work performed by Mallcraft, Inc., under Contract No. 3351, for the construction of the Eagle Rock Monument – Irrigation and New Landscape (W.O. #E170352F) project, as outlined in the Summary of this Report;
2. Authorize the Department’s Chief Accounting Employee to release all retention monies held under Contract No. 3351 to Mallcraft, Inc., thirty-five (35) calendar days after acceptance by the Board; and,
3. Authorize the Board Secretary to furnish Mallcraft, Inc., with a letter of completion.

SUMMARY:

The construction contract for Eagle Rock Monument – Irrigation and New Landscape (W.O. #E170352F) project was awarded to Mallcraft, Inc., on June 6, 2011 (Board Report No. 11-143), in the amount of \$186,787. The project, located at 717 West Eagle Rock View Drive, Los Angeles, California 90041, was completed on July 16, 2012.

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The project scope of work consists of installation of a new irrigation system and new landscaping, including the following:

1. Preparation of the complete site, including rough, and finish grading.
2. Construction of new landscaping, including site irrigation, site drainage, fencing, walking paths and other site amenities.
3. Installation and connection of site utilities, including water.

The plans for the project were prepared by the Department of Public Works, Bureau of Engineering (BOE), Architectural Division, under the direction of the Recreational and Cultural Facilities Program (RCFP). BOE Construction Management Division, completed the construction management of the project under the direction of the RCFP.

The RCFP Project Manager has informed the Department of Recreation and Parks that the project is complete and that the contractor had furnished the required permits, drawings, operation and maintenance manuals, warranties and guarantees. The project has one (1) change order issued, in the amount of \$8,178.45, or 4.4% of the base contract amount. The final construction contract amount, including change orders, is \$194,965.45. No deductive alternates were exercised for the project.

Department staff consulted with the Department of Public Works, Office of Contract Compliance concerning the status of the labor compliance requirements and Affirmative Action requirements on the project. There are no outstanding wage violations and Mallcraft, Inc., is in compliance.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

The construction project was funded by Proposition K funds. There is no fiscal impact to the Department at this time.

This report was prepared by Tony Lee, Construction Manager, Construction Management Division, Sean H. Phan and Shashi Bhakta, 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, BOE; and Michael A. Shull, Superintendent of Planning, Construction and Maintenance Division, Department of Recreation and Parks.

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BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

SUBJECT: MID-VALLEY INTERGENERATIONAL MULTIPURPOSE CENTER
(W.O. #E170239F) PROJECT – FINAL PLANS AND CALL FOR BIDS

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

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

[Signature]
General Manager

Approved _____ Disapproved _____ Withdrawn _____

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the Board:

1. Approve the final plans and specifications for the Mid-Valley Intergenerational Multipurpose Center (W.O. #E170239F) project;
2. Approve the reduction in the value of the work that the specifications require to be performed by the prime contractor from 50% to 20% of the base bid price; and
3. Approve the date to be advertised for receipt of bids as Tuesday, October 9, 2012, at 3:00 P.M. in the Board Office.

SUMMARY:

Submitted are final plans and specifications for the Mid-Valley Intergenerational Multipurpose Center (W.O. #E170239F) project, located at 9540 Van Nuys Boulevard, Panorama City, California 91402. The project is funded by the Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) (AB 1290), Capital Improvement Expenditure Program (CIEP), Quimby Funds, Proposition 40 Roberti-Z’Berg-Harris (RZH), and Proposition 40 Per Capita (PC). The Department of Public Works, Bureau of Engineering (BOE) Architectural Division prepared the plans and specifications for this project. The City Engineer’s estimated construction cost for the project is \$2,100,000.

The project plans and specifications call for the construction of a new intergenerational multipurpose center. The facility includes a single story, 2,500 square foot building and outdoor improvements.

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The project scope of work includes, but is not limited to, the following:

1. Construction of a single story, 2,500 square foot steel-framed building with exterior stucco and tile finishes, and standing seam, metal roof;
2. Installation of outdoor improvements including landscape, irrigation, walking paths, and parking; and
3. Installation of fitness equipment, play equipment, picnic tables, drinking fountains, security lighting, and signage.

Funding for the construction of this project is available from the following funding sources and accounts:

<u>FUNDING SOURCE</u>	<u>FUND NO./DEPT. NO./ACCT. NO.</u>
CRA (AB 1290)	100/54/00C748
CIEP	100/54/00G996
Quimby Funds	302/89/89460K-MM
Proposition 40 – RZH	205/88/TBD(Cash Flow Account) 47W/89/TBD
Proposition 40 – PC	205/88/TBD (Cash Flow Account) 47T/89/TBD

It has been the policy of this Board to require that the prime contractor on construction projects perform a minimum of 50% of the work for the project, as measured by the base bid price. It is proposed that the Board reduce the prime contractor's participation requirement from 50% to 20% on this project. This should help attract a broader range of prime contractors, thus creating a more inviting and competitive bidding environment for this project. Also, it should create a more competitive pricing among the specialty subcontractors providing bids to the prime contractors.

In compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), staff has determined that the proposed improvements will not have a significant impact on the environment. This project has been determined to be Categorical Exempt pursuant to Article III, Sections 1(a)(11), 1(c)(17), and 1(d)(3) of the City CEQA Guidelines. A Notice of Exemption was filed with the Los Angeles City Clerk's Office on November 9, 2010, and posted by the County Clerk's Office on November 10, 2010.

The bid package has been approved by the City Attorney's Office.

Council District Seven and the Valley Region staff support the recommendations set forth in this Report.

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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

At this time, there is no immediate fiscal impact to the Department's General Fund for the actions recommended in this Board Report. However, once this project is completed, operational maintenance costs will be determined. Upon project completion, a request for funding will be submitted in future Department annual budget requests.

This report was prepared by Cathie Santo Domingo, 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, BOE; and Michael A. Shull, Superintendent, Planning, Construction and Maintenance Division, Department of Recreation and Parks.

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BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

SUBJECT: ARROYO SECO PARK – HERMON PARK – INSTALLATION OF SCULPTURE WITH PLAQUE

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

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

[Signature]
General Manager

Approved _____

Disapproved _____

Withdrawn _____

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the Board:

1. Grant final approval for the installation of one sculpture with plaque at Arroyo Seco Park – Hermon Park; and,
2. Direct staff to issue the appropriate Right-of-Entry (ROE) permits.

SUMMARY:

Hermon Park is a sub-area of the larger Arroyo Seco Park. The dog park at Hermon Park is a valued community asset. The Friends of Hermon Dog Park, a local support group for this park area, was successful in obtaining a Public Works Community Beautification \$10,000 Grant from the City of Los Angeles for the installation of a public art project.

The artist is Jolino Bessera and the sculpture is entitled “Hermon on the Ball.” A rendering of the proposed sculpture is attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibit A. The proposed sculpture would be approximately five (5) feet tall and covered in a tile mosaic pattern. The grout would be covered with an anti-graffiti coating to facilitate maintenance. The ball portion of the sculpture would be made of tile and mementos from local residents including pieces of dog bowls and dog tags. A resume for Mr. Bassera is attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibit B. The proposal also seeks approval of an acknowledgement plaque the proposed text of which is attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibit C.

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There has been extensive community outreach regarding this proposal. To date the project has been presented to the Arroyo Seco Neighborhood Council, patrons of the Hermon Dog Park, fund-raiser guests, and information regarding the project status has been emailed in "Tails from Hermon Dog Park", an e-newsletter with over 400 subscribers. The Department has received no public comments regarding this project.

The "Hermon on the Ball" proposal was presented to, and approved by, the Cultural Affairs Commission at their regular meeting held on March 15, 2012.

Since the conceptual approval of the "Hermon on the Ball" sculpture on January 11, 2012 (Board Report No. 12-025) the applicant and the artist have worked closely with Department staff to identify an appropriate installation location which provides for both visual access and public safety. A concurrence was reached that the statue would be best placed at the entrance to the dog park near to the dog park identification signage. A rendering of the proposed placement is attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibit D. If final approval is granted it will be the responsibility of the applicant to secure all appropriate permits for the statue installation. The responsibility for permitting, along with issues of installation, maintenance and removal will be delineated in the ROE permit.

Staff has determined that the subject project is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), pursuant to Article III, Section 1, Class 11 (6), of the City CEQA Guidelines.

The Councilmember of the District and Metro Region management and staff have no objections to this project at Hermon Park in the Arroyo Seco.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

Installation of the sculpture and associated plaque will have negligible impact on the Department's General Fund, as the cost of the sculpture and plaque will be funded by the Beautification Grant. Required maintenance for the upkeep of the sculpture and the plaque will be the responsibility of the Friends of Hermon Dog Park. An agreement addressing issues regarding installation and required maintenance of the sculpture will be developed by staff.

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

Exhibit A



Hermon on the Ball – Rendering of Proposed Sculpture

Exhibit B

JOLINO BESERRA • PROFESSIONAL HISTORY

BORN: 1957 • East Los Angeles, CA • Raised: Temple City, CA

EDUCATION: 1975 --- Arroyo High School, El Monte, CA

1976-1978 ---- Pasadena Community College, Assoc. Degree

1978-1982 ---- Art Center School of Design, BFA Illustration

1984 – 1990

- Formed *Byrd-Beserra Studios* in Los Angeles with poster artist David Edward Byrd creating graphics for the Entertainment Industry.

1990 – PRESENT

- 2011 -- 6 foot Mosaic sculpture of a dog balancing on a ball for The Hermon Dog Park will begin in December with an estimated completion in Spring 2012.

Residential mosaics for residence in Tuxedo Park, New York: ongoing.

Mosaic installation for the South Pasadena Library's Children's Room.

Mosaic Stripes for Cal. King Snake path in Maywood for The Trust For Public Land opening in November 2011.

- 2010 -- Residential installations in Beverly Hills and Los Angeles

- 2009 -- Created residential Installations in Los Angeles and Toluca Lake and a Sculptural/Functional work for a group show in Philadelphia, Pa.

- 2008 -- Created entry portal and information desk column for Children's Room at The Alhambra Civic Center Library.

- 2006 -- Began work on two 20-foot tiled columns and a 30-foot tiled bench for The Camarillo Public Library completed in June 2007.

- 2000-05 -- Created custom mosaic work for several residential kitchens in Los Angeles area.

- 1998 -- Created a tiled & jeweled box as a prop for the indie film, "The Unknown Cyclist".

- 1995 -- Created a broken tile mosaic poster for director Taylor Hackford's film "Blood In, Blood Out".

- 1993-95 -- A series of tiled tables, jardinières and smaller pots were featured at New Stone Age Gallery in Los Angeles.

- 1992 -- My own kitchen design and counter installation was a prizewinner in Metropolitan Home Magazine's 1992 "Home of the Year" issue. This kitchen was also featured in Sunset Magazine's October 1992 issue.

- 1990 – Began creating custom pique-assiette mosaic installations & functional art pieces.

PUBLICATIONS:

- Los Angeles Times Home Section Feature Article "Piece By Piece" 2011

- Guild Source Book 24 – Page 135

- Mosaic Arts Yearbook 2009

- Mosaic Arts Yearbook 2010

- Creating Curb Appeal 2009 Schiffer Books

Exhibit B (Continued)

EDUCATION: Workshops for non-profit "Piece By Piece" in Los Angeles 2011
Home studio workshops: 2010/2011

EXHIBITIONS:

- Snyderman/Works Gallery – Philadelphia, PA – Found-Objects Show 2009/2010
- Mosaic Art Now • Exhibition in Print 2010
- SAMA Mosaic Arts International Show 2010
- SAMA Mosaic Arts International Show 2008

JOLINO BESERRA

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Exhibit C

(Draft Text)

The sculpture of the dog, “Hermon on the Ball”, was imagined and created by artist Jolino Beserra, with gratitude to Friends of Hermon Dog Park, and the City of Los Angeles Office of Community Beautification, the Department of Recreation and Parks, and Councilmember Jose Huizar, Council District 14.

Friends of Hermon Dog Park Dedicated this day: Month Day, 2012

Exhibit D



Hermon on the Ball – Proposed Placement of Sculpture

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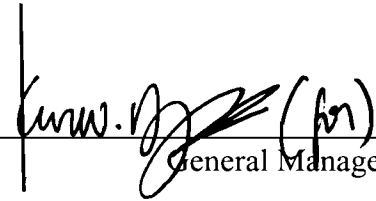
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BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

SUBJECT: GRIFFITH PARK – AUTRY MUSEUM OF WESTERN HERITAGE –
INSTALLATION OF STATUE

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



 General Manager

Approved _____ Disapproved _____ Withdrawn _____

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board grant final approval for the installation of the statue “Special Delivery” at the Autry Museum of Western Heritage located within Griffith Park.

SUMMARY:

Griffith Park is a regional park of over 4,000 acres and is bounded by Los Feliz Boulevard, the 134 Freeway and the 5 freeway. Griffith Park has many unique features including golf courses, the Greek Theatre, the Griffith Observatory, pony rides, the Travel Town Museum and the Autry Museum of Western Heritage. Griffith Park is a regional resource and a destination for residents of the City of Los Angeles and beyond.

On January 26, 2011, the Department of Recreation and Parks (Department) was contacted by the Autry Museum of Western Heritage (the Autry) with a request to install a statue on the exterior of the Museum. The statue is titled ‘Special Delivery’ and is a tribute to the Pony Express rider. ‘Special Delivery’ features a horse and rider as well as an individual reaching to hand the rider a mail pouch which contains Lincoln's Inaugural Address. The mochila is thrown across the saddle, two loaded cartridge belts cross the torso of the rider who is reaching for a pouch being held out by an individual who could be a station master. Images of the statue, maps and photos of the exact location are attached to this report and incorporated herein as Exhibit A and Exhibit B.

The statue was personally commissioned by Baron Hilton in 1994 and was previously on display at the Hilton Hotel in Reno, Nevada. The artist is Douglas Van Howd of Auburn, California. There is a plaque on the base of the statue which reads:

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“SPECIAL DELIVERY” by Sculptor Douglas Van Howd

The Pony Express was created on April 3, 1860, to move mail from St. Joseph, MO, to Sacramento, CA, a distance of 1960 miles. The Pony Express consisted of 190 stations, 500 select horses, and 80 experienced riders who averaged 75 miles a day and were paid \$25 per week. The mail cost \$1 to \$5 per ounce and was carried in a leather vest or mochila designed for a quick change. The most famous ride was in March 1861 when Abraham Lincoln became President. The news and Inaugural Address was to reach the west by Pony Express "Special Delivery". While the average ride took 9 to 10 days, this news was delivered in a record 7 days 17 hours.

Van Howd Studios, Auburn, California

The Autry is proposing to place the statue in front of the museum to the right of the entrance. A detail of the proposal is attached to this report as Exhibit B. The Commission granted a conceptual approval for this project on March 2, 2011. Since that time the statue request was presented to the Greater Griffith Park Neighborhood Council which was granted a sixty (60) day public comment period. No public comments have been received.

Staff has determined that the subject project is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), pursuant to Article III, Section 1, Class 11 (6), of the City CEQA Guidelines.

Council District 4 and West Region management and staff support this project at the Autry Museum of Western Heritage within Griffith Park.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

There shall be no cost to the Department as the costs of installation, maintenance, and removal shall be the responsibility of the Autry Museum.

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

Exhibit A

"Special Delivery"





"Special Delivery" – Additional Images



Exhibit B



SCULPTURE - Special Delivery

City National
SCULPTURE
INSTALLATION
PROPOSAL

Travis Wood

South Union

Tunnel

proposed installation

BUS DROP OFF

VISITOR PARKING

STAFF PARKING

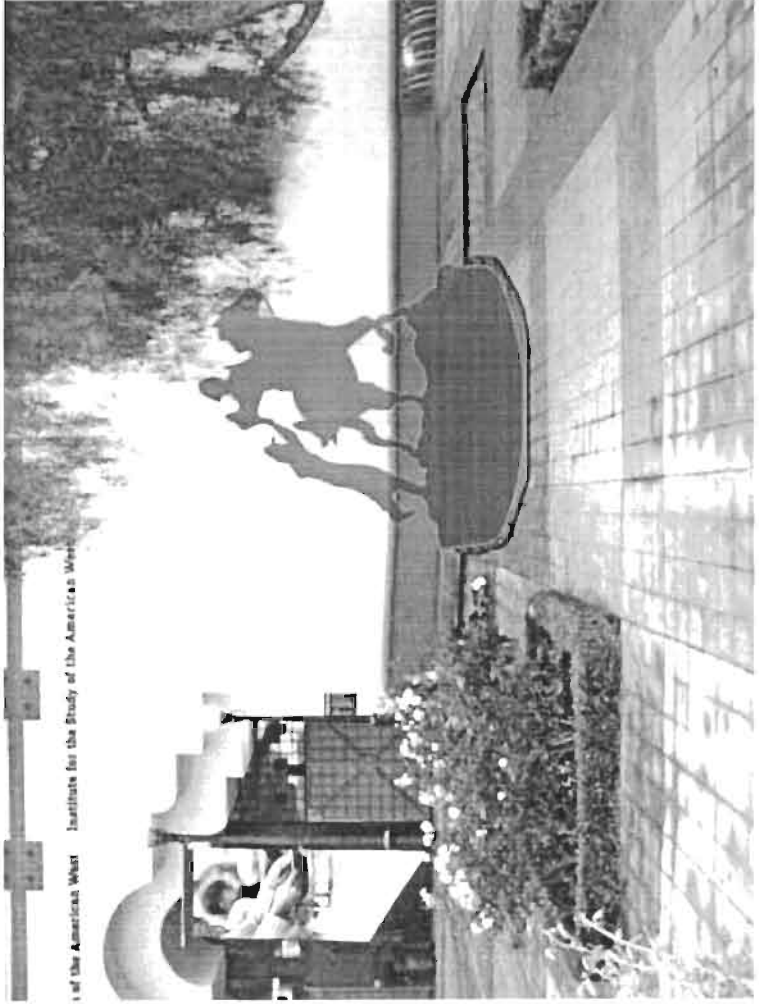
HANDICAP PARKING

PARKING

Exhibit - E



EXISTING



SCULPTURE
INSTALLATION
SPRING 2014
PROPOSAL
MAY 2014

OPTION 1
MUSEUM ENTRANCE

INSTALLATION NEEDS

- Remove 1 tree (already dying) & 1 rose planter
- Fill planters with mulch (as with Crazy Horse); add seating (existing benches)
- Addition of low barrier around sculpture
- Develop labeling solution
- Add lighting for night
- Location is visible by parking lot camera for nighttime security
- Good visibility for public/decent visibility for school groups

PROPOSED

Exhibit F

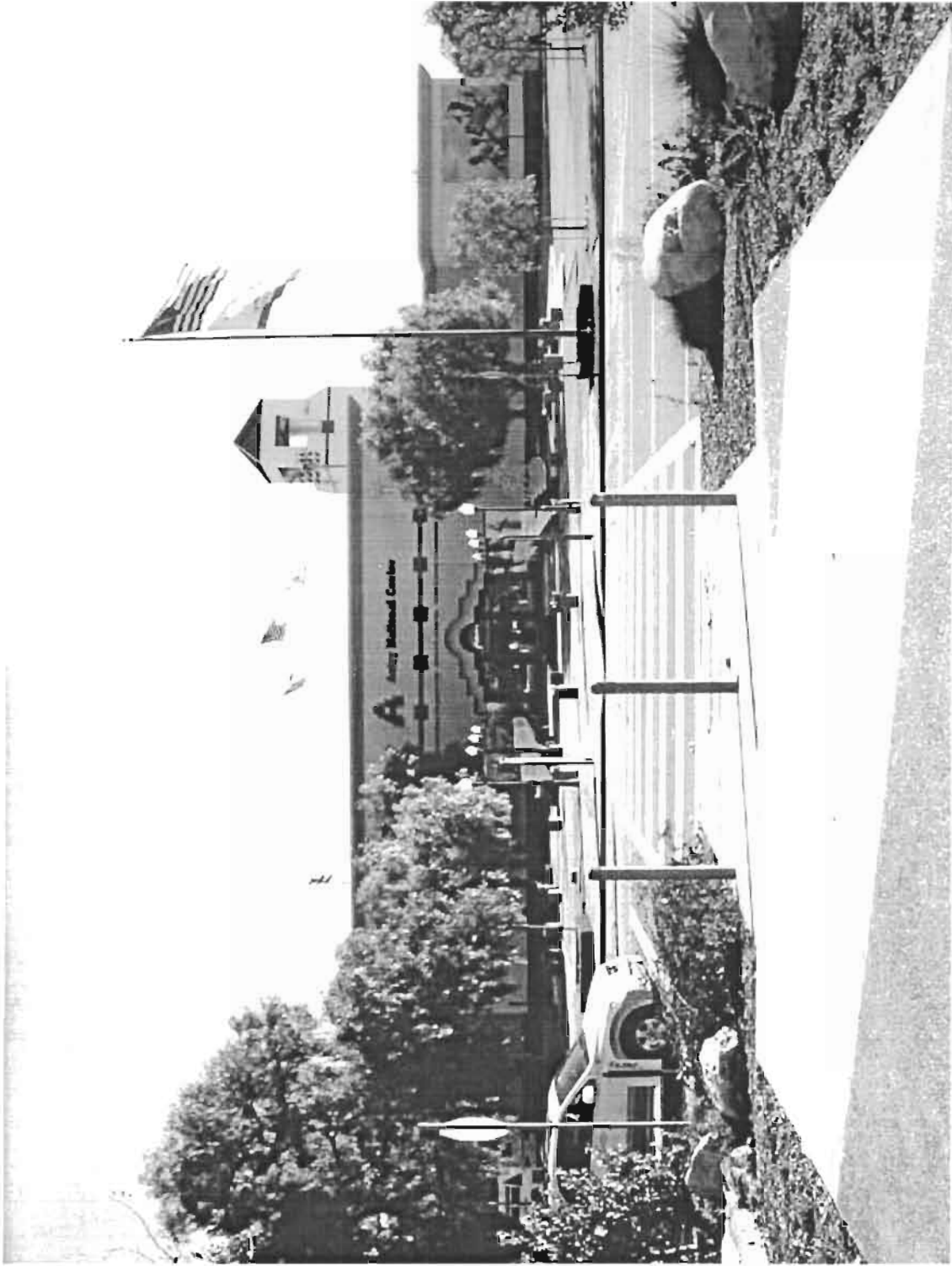
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PROPOSAL

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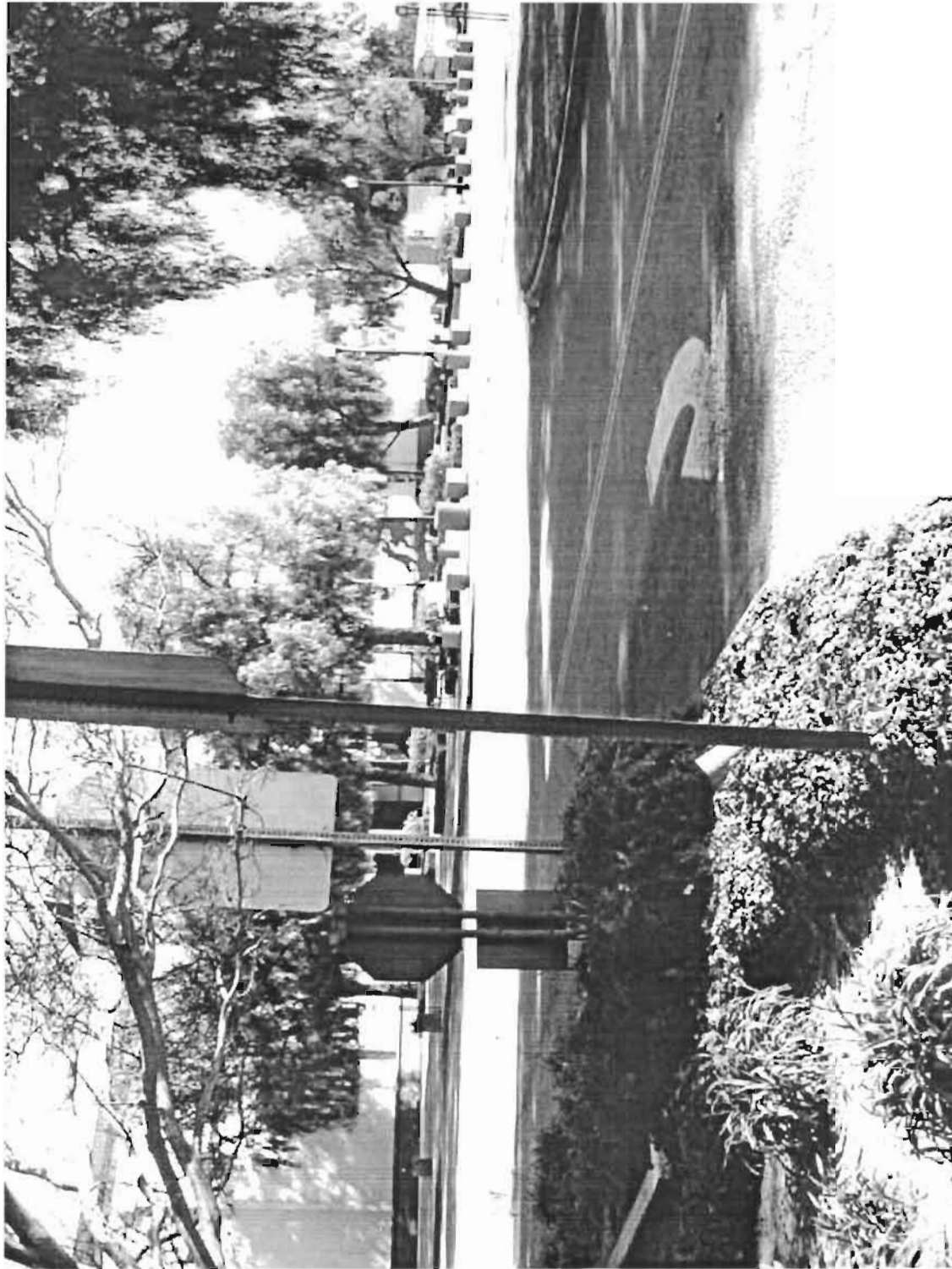
VIEW FROM ZOO WALKWAY

Exhibit B

City of Houston Project
SCULPTURE INSTALLATION
SUBMIT DELIVERABLE
PROPOSAL
Draw: 10/1/10



VIEW FROM SOUTH PARKING LOT/
DRIVING NORTH ON WESTERN HERITAGE WAY



VIEW FROM NORTH PARKING LOT/
DRIVING SOUTH ON WESTERN HERITAGE WAY

SCULPTURE
INSTALLATION

SPECTATOR ENTRY

PROPOSAL

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BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

SUBJECT: SEPULVEDA BASIN RECREATION AREA – ANTHONY C. BEILENSEN PARK – BARRY A. SANDERS SPORTS FIELD – DONOR RECOGNITION PLAQUE

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

K. Regan _____
*M. Shull *[Signature]*
N. Williams _____

[Signature]
General Manager

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Disapproved _____

Withdrawn _____

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the Board:

1. Grant approval for a donor recognition plaque to be installed at the Sepulveda Basin Recreation Area – Anthony C. Beilenson Park – Barry A. Sanders Sports Field; and
2. Authorize staff to issue the appropriate Right of Entry (ROE) Permit.

SUMMARY:

On August 12, 2009, the Board conceptually approved the development of a new sports field for persons with special needs at the Anthony C. Beilenson Park, subject to the Board’s approval of the final plans and specifications (Board Report No. 09-189). Anthony C. Beilenson Park is a 169.24 acre sub-park within the Sepulveda Basin Recreation Area located at 6200 Balboa Avenue, in the Van Nuys community.

On December 14, 2011, the Board approved an Agreement between the City of Los Angeles (CITY) and Los Angeles Parks Foundation (DONOR) for the design, construction and donation of improvements for the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Adaptive Ball Field at the Anthony C. Beilenson Park (Board Report No. 11-326). Section 10.B of the Agreement states: “DONOR shall be recognized for its generosity through a prominently displayed recognition signage (“RECOGNITION SIGNAGE”) at the IMPROVEMENTS, acknowledging DONOR’S GIFT, subject to the mutual approval of DONOR and CITY.” Section 10.C. of the Agreement states: “In addition to the signage, the logo of other contributing third parties, as approved by RAP, may be

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placed at and around the IMPROVEMENTS.” The Board Report also states that the Donor has obtained funding in the amount of \$500,000 through grants/sponsorships/donations from the following:

- Annenberg Foundation - \$250,000
- Weingart Foundation - \$150,000
- LA84 Foundation - \$100,000

On April 4, 2012, this accessible athletic field was named the Barry A. Sanders Sports Field in recognition of Mr. Sanders’ leadership in the campaign to secure funding needed to build this premier field (Board Report No. 12-113). The Barry A. Sanders Sports Field is scheduled to be dedicated on September 20, 2012. To coincide with the dedication of the field, the Los Angeles Parks Foundation has requested that the Board approve the installation of a plaque recognizing the generous donations of the aforementioned Foundations as conceptually approved within the Beilenson Park Agreement, as well as acknowledging an additional contribution from Chevrolet in the amount of \$85,000, and recognizing the support of the Department of Recreation and Parks (RAP), the Council Office, Shane’s Inspiration and the Los Angeles Parks Foundation. Shane’s Inspiration has been a partner with RAP as a consultant in both the design and programming of the Field. The text of the proposed plaque as provided by the Foundation is attached hereto as Exhibit A. While the dimensions of the proposed plaque vary slightly from the Board’s adopted policy of 12” x 18”, the dimensions of the proposed plaque at 13” x 16” yield a smaller overall area (1.44 square feet in-lieu of 1.5 square feet). The plaque is proposed to be installed under the traditional RAP sign at the main entrance to the field. Both the RAP sign and the plaque will be placed in a planter area off of any walkways so as not to impede anyone, regardless of physical ability. The proposed installation method of the plaque as provided by the Los Angeles Parks Foundation is attached hereto as Exhibit B.

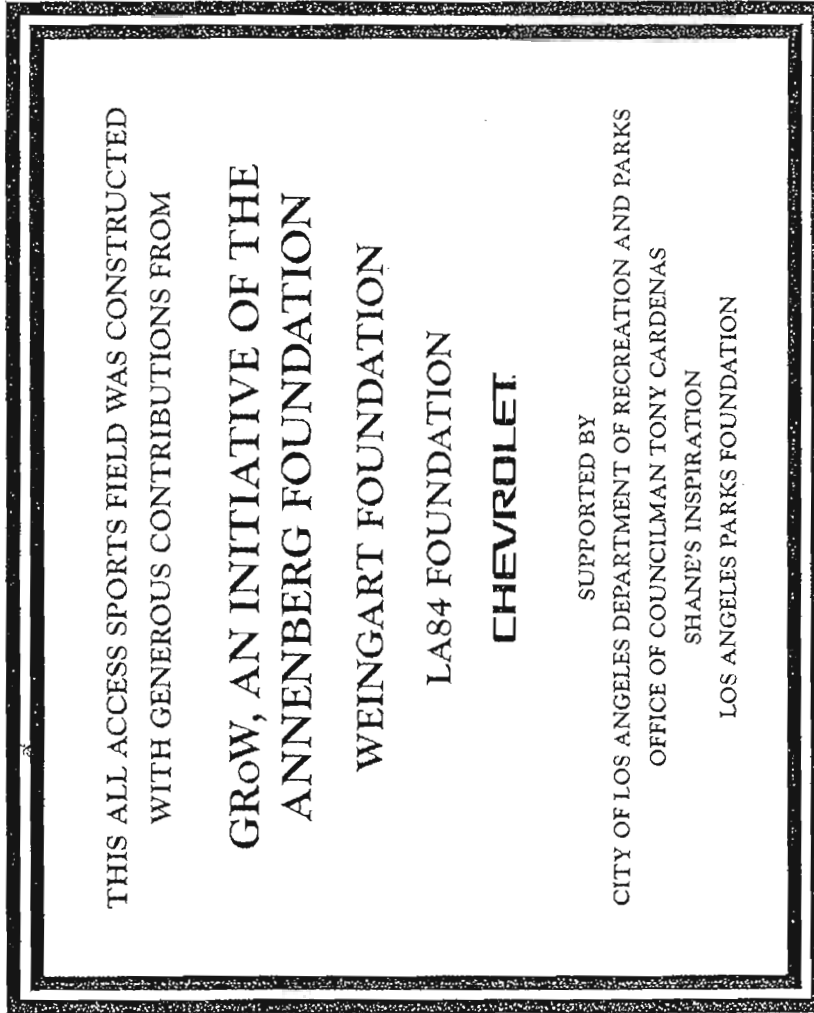
Staff has determined that the subject project is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), pursuant to Article VLL, Section 1, Class 11 (1) of the City CEQA guidelines, which provides for the placement of signs on park property as accessory structures to recreational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

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

There will be no impact on the RAP’s General Fund as the fabrication and installation of the proposed plaque will be paid for by the Los Angeles Parks Foundation.

This Report was prepared by Melinda Gejer, Planning Associate, Planning, Construction and Maintenance.

Exhibit A

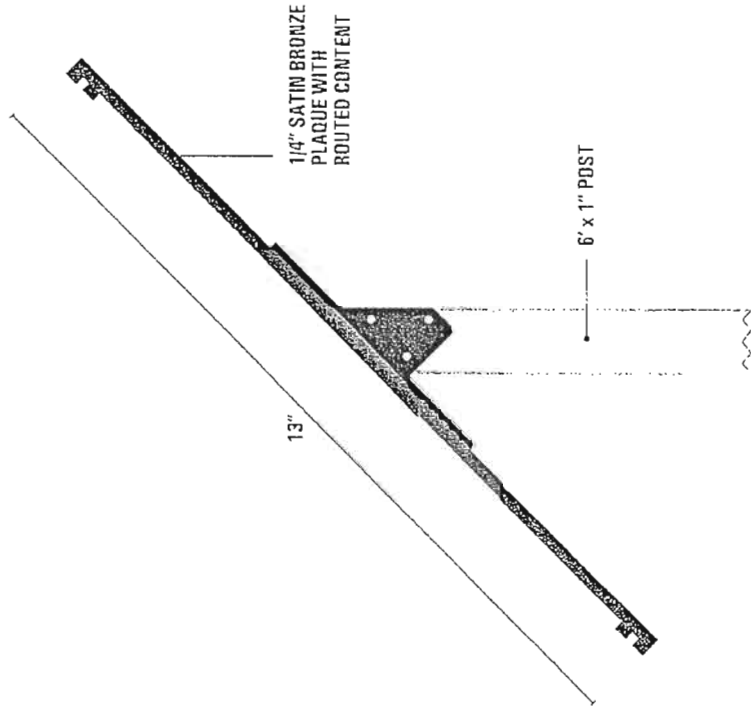
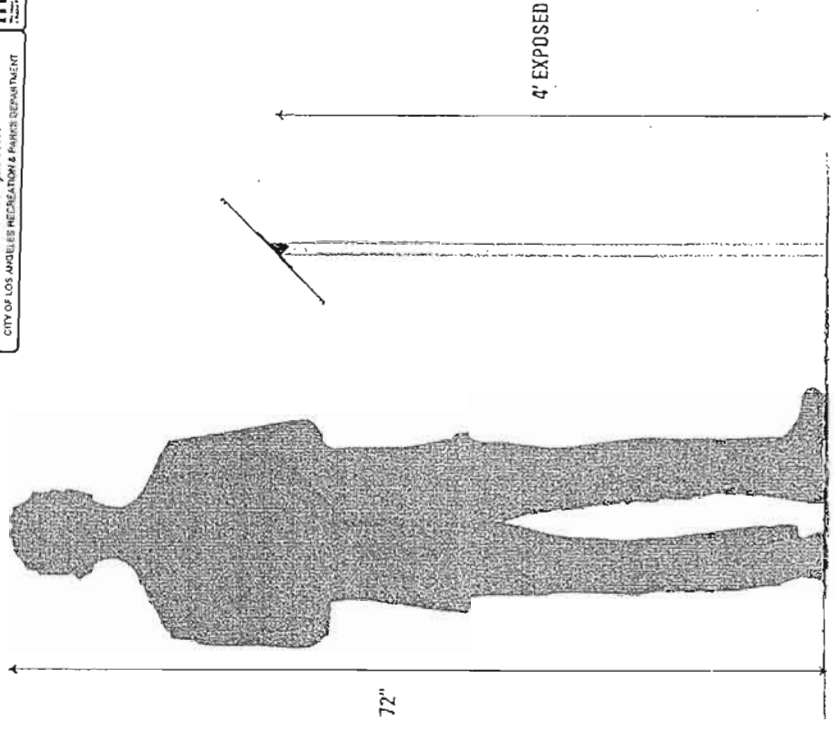


LA PARKS FOUNDATION

DESCRIPTION: BRONZE PLAQUE
DIMENSIONS: 13" x 16"
SUBSTRATE: 1/4" SATIN BRONZE ROUTED PLAQUE
COLOR:
QUANTITY: 1
NOTE:

Exhibit B

PARK FACILITY NAME
RECREATION CENTER
Wildcove
CITY OF LOS ANGELES RECREATION & PARKS DEPARTMENT



LA PARKS FOUNDATION
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QUANTITY: 1
NOTE:

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BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

SUBJECT: 50 PARKS INITIATIVE – GIFT AGREEMENT WITH THE LOS ANGELES PARKS FOUNDATION FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF A NEW PARK: 76TH STREET POCKET PARK INCLUDING LANDSCAPE IMPROVEMENTS AND SITE FURNISHINGS

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

[Signature]
General Manager

Approved _____ Disapproved _____ Withdrawn _____

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the Board:

1. Approve a proposed Gift Agreement (Agreement) with the Los Angeles Parks Foundation (LAPF), a California non-profit organization, substantially in the form on file in the Board Office, for landscape improvements and site furnishings (Improvements) for a new park at 833 West 76th Street known as “76th Street Pocket Park,” specifying the terms and conditions for the construction, installation, and donation of the proposed Improvements, subject to the approval of the Mayor and of the City Attorney as to form;
2. Authorize staff to issue temporary right of entry permit (ROE) to LAPF, allowing access to the new park site to construct and install Improvements in accordance with the terms and conditions of the proposed Agreement;
3. Direct the Board Secretary to transmit the proposed Agreement, to the Mayor in accordance with Executive Directive No. 3, and concurrently, to the City Attorney for review and approval as to form;
4. Authorize the Board President and Secretary to execute the Agreement upon receipt of the necessary approvals; and,

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5. Upon completion of the installation of the Improvements, accept the Improvements as a gift from LAPF, subject to post-development inspections by RAP, and thank the LAPF accordingly for its generosity.

SUMMARY:

On April 4, 2012, the Board approved the acceptance of a donation of a 0.13 acre parcel of real property from Restore Neighborhoods LA, Inc., a California non-profit corporation, for the purpose of creating new pocket parks and to meet the goals of "The 50 Parks Initiative" (Report No. 12-095). The parcel (APN 6020-007-024) is located in Council District 8 at 833 West 76th Street, Los Angeles, California 90044.

LAPF has secured funding through a grant awarded by The California Endowment, a California non-profit, public benefit corporation, for the purpose of new park development at the aforementioned new park site, and has agreed to fund the development of Improvements through the grant, and upon completion of the Improvements to donate the completed park to the City.

The Improvements shall include, but are not limited to, the construction and installation of landscaping (including water saving smart irrigation system, planting, fencing and gate(s), hardscape features, and walkways), and site furnishings including drinking fountains, benches, and equipment for playing and/or exercising, with appropriate surface(s) under the equipment (decomposed granite or resilient surfacing). Design rendering for the park are attached (Exhibit-A).

The Board's approval of this Report and the proposed Agreement will authorize LAPF to proceed with the construction and/or installation of Improvements pursuant to architectural drawings, designs, and specifications created by RAP, consistent with the general design elements previously approved by the Board, and provide the Board's acceptance of the same as a gift to the City, subject to the completion of post-development inspections by the Planning, Construction, and Maintenance Division. The Agreement specifies the terms and conditions under which LAPF will construct and/or install the Improvements at no cost to the City.

LAPF will contract directly with a licensed contractor or contractors, making payments directly to the contractor(s). The contractor's access to the site will be authorized through right of entry (ROE) permit(s) issued by RAP. Pursuant to the terms and conditions of the Agreement, the construction and installation of the Improvements will be overseen jointly by RAP and the LAPF.

Therefore, the gift to the City, consisting of completed Improvements at the new park, inclusive of all necessary plan preparation, permits, construction, and oversight has an estimated value of \$250,000.

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In accordance with the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), a Negative Declaration (ND) for the new park site as conceptually developed was prepared based on an Initial Study which determined that all potential significant environmental effects would be less than significant. The ND for the park site was circulated to all interested parties and responsible agencies for a twenty (20)-day review and comment period from February 23, 2012 to March 14, 2012. No substantive comments were received on environmental issues. A copy of the final Negative Declaration has been provided to the Board for review and consideration and is on file in the Board Office.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

There will be no fiscal impact to RAP's General Fund, as the proposed Improvements will be constructed and installed by the LAPF at no cost to the City. The future maintenance of the new park will be addressed through the annual budget process.

This report was prepared by Joel Alvarez, Senior Management Analyst, and Leslie Perez, Senior Recreation Director, Partnership Division.

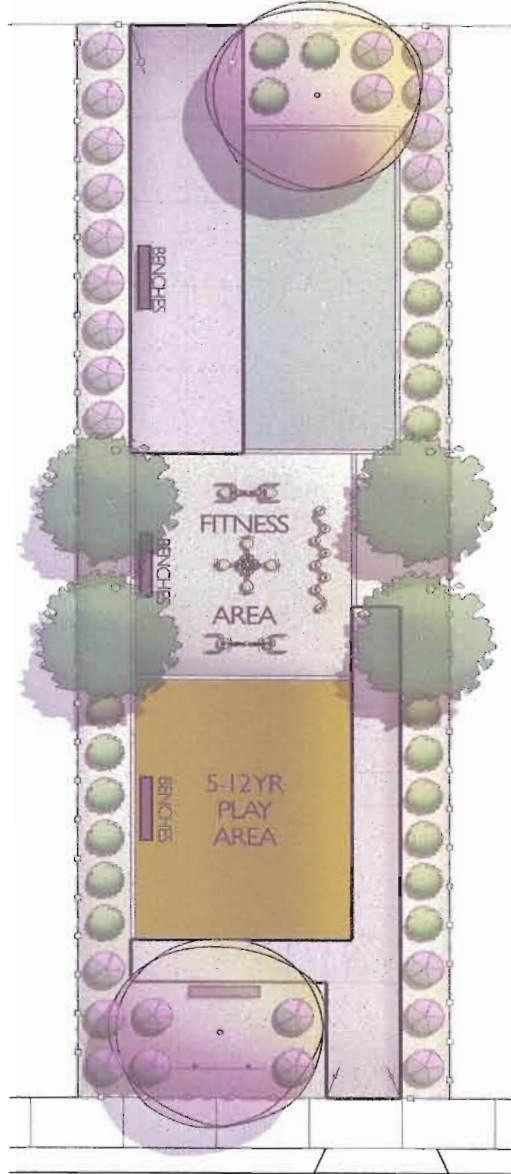
EXHIBIT A



DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION AND PARKS
NEW PARKS INITIATIVE



76TH ST. POCKET PARK
833 W. 76TH STREET
LOS ANGELES, CA



76th ST



PALO BREA

SMART IRRIGATION



LOW WATER USE PLANTS



WESTERN REDBUD



SEATING

PLAY AREA: 5-12YRS



OUTDOOR FITNESS EQUIPMENT

REMOTE CONTROLLED ELECTRONIC LOCKING GATES+ SECURITY CAMERAS

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BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

SUBJECT: GOLF CONCESSIONS – CANCELLATION OF FIVE REQUESTS FOR PROPOSALS PROCESSES, REJECTION OF ALL PROPOSALS RECEIVED AND RETURN OF PROPOSAL DEPOSITS

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



 General Manager

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Disapproved _____

Withdrawn _____

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the Board:

1. Cancel the Request for Proposals for the Hansen Dam Golf Restaurant Concession approved by the Board on February 6, 2008 (Board Report No. 08-38), released on June 1, 2009, and placed on hold on March 3, 2010;
2. Cancel the Request for Proposals for the Hansen Dam Golf Course Professional Concession approved by the Board on December 11, 2008 (Board Report No. 08-328) released on June 1, 2009, and placed on hold on March 3, 2010;
3. Cancel the Request for Proposals for the Woodley Lakes Golf Course Professional Concession approved by the Board on December 11, 2008 (Board Report No. 08-331), released on June 8, 2009, and placed on hold on March 3, 2010;
4. Cancel the Request for Proposals for the Woodley Lakes Golf Course Restaurant Concession approved by the Board on April 15, 2009 (Board Report No. 09-086), released on June 1, 2009, and placed on hold on March 3, 2010; and,
5. Cancel the Request for Proposals for the Rancho Golf Course Restaurant Concession approved by the Board on December 11, 2008 (Board Report No. 08-330) and released on February 23, 2009; reject all four proposals received on June 30, 2009; and, direct staff to return the proposal deposits to the proposers.

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SUMMARY:

On May 2, 2012, staff presented the "Evaluation of Operating Options for the Department of Recreation and Parks Golf Course System" to the Board (Board Report No. 12-125). One of the recommendations the Board approved was to conceptually approve the use of contracts, leases, or permits to continue operations of food services. This action was recommended pending further studies to determine the best operating model for golf retail operations.

Staff had previously released Request for Proposals (RFP) for three (3) golf food and beverage concessions and two (2) golf professional concessions. The five (5) RFPs were subsequently placed on hold by the Board on March 3, 2010.

Golf Food and Beverage Concessions

There are currently nine (9) golf food and beverage concessions. All nine currently operate on a month-to-month basis.

Staff recommends that the three (3) outstanding golf food and beverage concession RFPs that were placed on hold now be canceled. Two (2) of the RFPs were released and subsequently placed on hold on March 3, 2010 prior to proposals being submitted to the Department (Woodley Lakes and Hansen Dam).

One (1) RFP, Rancho Golf Course Restaurant Concession, had completed the evaluation process and a proposer was recommended by an independent panel of industry experts for the award of a proposed concession agreement. The Rancho Golf Course Restaurant Concession RFP was released on February 23, 2009 and four proposals were received on June 30, 2009:

- AM Best Food, Inc.
- OmniEnt Corporation
- Taj Management, Inc.
- JL Dining Services

On July 14, 2010, staff submitted the recommended award of the proposed concession agreement to Taj Management Inc., dba Rancho Golf Restaurant, Inc., for consideration by the Board (Board Report No. 10-176). The award report was withdrawn on August 11, 2010.

The Woodley Lakes Golf Restaurant, Hansen Dam Golf Restaurant, and Rancho Golf Restaurant will be operated on a month-to-month basis by the incumbent operators. A future board report will be presented to the Board to enter into short-term formal agreements with all of the incumbent operators of golf food and beverage operations until a staff review is completed and a determination is made on the best business model for long-term operations of golf food and beverage operations.

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Golf Professional Concessions

There are three (3) existing golf professional concessions. One is operated through Concession Agreement No. 266 that expires on May 4, 2013 (Griffith Park); one operates on a month-to-month basis (Hansen Dam) until further notice; and one was terminated on December 20, 2011 and is currently pending litigation (Sepulveda).

It should be noted that the Golf Division began self-operation of the Rancho Park golf course driving range on October 1, 2011 and the Woodley Lakes golf course driving range on October 31, 2011.

Staff recommends that the two (2) outstanding golf professional concession RFPs that were placed on hold now be canceled. Both RFPs were released and subsequently placed on hold on March 3, 2010 prior to proposals being submitted to the Department.

A future board report will be presented to the Board after a staff review is completed and a determination is made on the best business model for a long-term operation of golf instructions and golf professional shops.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

Canceling the RFPs, rejecting all the proposals received, and returning the proposal deposits have no impact on the Department's General Fund.

Report prepared by Noel Williams, Chief Management Analyst, Finance Division

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
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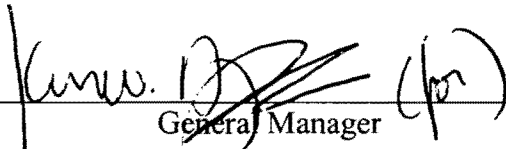
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BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

SUBJECT: GRIFFITH OBSERVATORY – MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH FRIENDS OF THE OBSERVATORY

R. Adams		K. Regan	_____
H. Fujita		M. Shull	_____
*V. Israel		N. Williams	_____



 General Manager

Approved _____ Disapproved _____ Withdrawn _____

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the Board:

1. Approve a proposed Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), substantially in the form on file in the Board office, between the Department of Recreation and Parks and Friends Of The Observatory (FOTO), to define, codify, and continue the relationship of support to the Griffith Observatory, subject to the approval of the Mayor and of the City Attorney as to form;
2. Direct the Board Secretary to transmit the proposed MOU to the Mayor for approval in accordance with Executive Directive 3, and concurrently, to the City Attorney for review and approval as to form; and,
3. Authorize the Board President and Secretary to execute the MOU, subsequent to receipt of the necessary approvals.

SUMMARY:

The collaboration between the Department and FOTO in support of Griffith Observatory is a model for successful public-private partnerships in the City. This is the third MOU between the partners.

FOTO was founded as a non-profit organization in 1978 by Observatory Director Dr. E. C. Krupp, Harold Griffith (the grandson of founding Observatory benefactor Griffith J. Griffith),

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and Harold's wife Debra, to offer a way for the public to support and improve the Griffith Observatory.

In the 34 years since then, FOTO has repeatedly provided essential financial, logistical, organizational, advocacy, programming, and other forms of support to enhance the Griffith Observatory for the public benefit. Most notably, the Department and FOTO formed a uniquely successful public-private partnership to renovate and expand the Observatory. This \$93-million project, executed between 2002 and 2006, preserved and transformed the Observatory and then returned it to public use on November 3, 2006. FOTO was instrumental in raising the funds for the renovation project, including direct private contributions of over \$30 million, but its impact extended far beyond that amount, with efforts to win public grants, purchase and coordination of the new equipment for the Samuel Oschin Planetarium and Leonard Nimoy Event Horizon, management of the design, fabrication, and installation of the new exhibit program, and extensive service on the Renovation and Expansion Steering Committee guiding the entire project.

Since the conclusion of the renovation and expansion project and reopening of the Observatory in November, 2006, FOTO has continued to provide vital funding and programming support to the Observatory and Department. Notable among these contributions are: four \$175,000 gifts (Board Reports 08-260, 09-251, 10-250, 11-283) to support the Observatory's School Program; over \$600,000 in equipment to upgrade the Samuel Oschin Planetarium, Leonard Nimoy Event Horizon theater, and the Observatory programming studio; ongoing funding (over \$11,000 a year) for enhanced internet/satellite connectivity to enable programming objectives; media relations support; and organization and funding of the 2009 and 2010 Cosmic Conjunction events and the 2012 premieres for the new *Time's Up* planetarium show.

This agreement is the same in form and intent as the first and second three-year MOUs between the Department and FOTO. The term of the first MOU (Board Report 06-126) was July 1, 2006 to June 30, 2009. The Board subsequently approved (Board Report 09-173) an extension of that MOU by six months to December 31, 2009. The term of the second MOU (Board Report 09-316) was January 1, 2010 to December 31, 2012. Changes from the prior MOU documents are minimal. Most of the changes are updates to dates and citations, as well as the addition of Section 1b prohibiting all non-City fundraising at the Observatory except by FOTO.

Key provisions of the agreement include:

- Authorization for FOTO to raise funds and provide donor and member services and recognition under the same conditions already approved by the Board as the exclusive non-profit organization so authorized.
- Clear definition of FOTO as an organization separate from the City, and accountable for hiring decisions and its staff, paying all its own expenses, indemnifying the City as

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appropriate, conforming to the City's non-discrimination policies, reporting on its finances and fundraising, and obeying all relevant laws.

- Assignment of two office spaces and related utility support for FOTO in the Observatory and permission for FOTO to utilize Observatory premises and facilities for meetings, membership services, and donor cultivation and recognition, all in accordance with established rules in any Schedule of Rates and Fees policies approved by the Board, and with approval of Observatory management.
- Indemnification of FOTO by City for FOTO's activities in support of the Observatory except in cases of gross negligence or intentional misconduct.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

This MOU will not have any fiscal impact on the Department's General Fund. There is no cost to the Department for its implementation, and it does not provide for any specific transfer of funds. By defining and codifying the relationship between the CITY and FOTO, however, the MOU provides the foundation for continued support of the Observatory by FOTO. The relationship with FOTO almost certainly will afford additional fundraising opportunities, which will enable the Observatory to continue and/or expand services without bearing the full cost of those services. For example, without the funds contributed by FOTO, the Griffith Observatory School Program would have been canceled for the 2008-09, 2009-10, 2010-11, and 2011-12 school years.

This report was prepared by Mark Pine, Deputy Director, Griffith Observatory.

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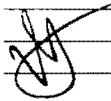
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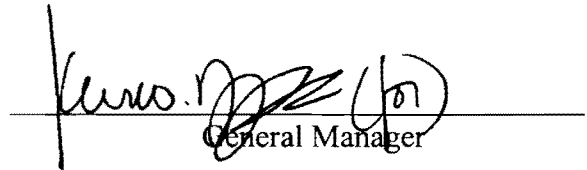
BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

SUBJECT: LAS PALMAS SENIOR CITIZEN CENTER – AGREEMENT WITH CANYON SCHOOL, INC., FOR THE OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF A CHILD CARE AND DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM ON PARK PROPERTY

R. Adams
H. Fujita
*V. Israel



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


General Manager

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RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the Board:

1. Approve a proposed three (3) year agreement (Agreement), substantially in the form on file in the Board Office, between the Department of Recreation and Parks (RAP) and Canyon School, Inc. (Canyon), a California non-profit organization, setting forth the terms and conditions for Canyon's use of park property at Las Palmas Senior Citizen Center, in accordance with RAP's Partnership Policy, to provide child care and development services to the surrounding community, subject to the approval of the Mayor and of the City Attorney as to form;
2. Direct the Board Secretary to transmit the proposed Agreement, to the Mayor in accordance with Executive Directive No. 3, and concurrently, to the City Attorney for review and approval as to form;
3. Authorize the Board President and Secretary to execute the Agreement upon receipt of the necessary approvals; and,
4. Direct the Department's Chief Accounting Employee to deposit fees for utility and other cost recovery reimbursements received from Canyon in the accounts established for such purpose.

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SUMMARY:

Canyon, a private non-profit corporation, is a cooperative child care and development program provider currently receiving funds through tuition fees, donations and fundraising events. Canyon is located within Las Palmas Senior Citizen Center at 1820 Las Palmas Ave. Los Angeles, CA 90028. Canyon currently operates the child care program through Right Of Entry (ROE) Permit No. PD-ROE-022 issued in February 2012, allowing time for the Partnership Division to formalize an Agreement between Canyon and RAP, in accordance with RAP Policies.

Pursuant to Board Report No. 11-296 approved November 2, 2011, the Board made a finding that non-profit cooperative nursery, Head Start, pre-school and child care organizations are a recreational use as these programs provide outdoor child development through recreational and educational pre-school experiences such as game playing, free play, and group sports play. During the traditional school year, Canyon provides a child care and development program to children ages two through five from families within the surrounding community of Las Palmas Senior Citizen Center. Serving thirty (30) children in the morning and fifteen (15) children in the afternoon (two half day sessions) each day, this child care and development program encourages physical activity, demonstrates healthy lifestyle choices, helps prepare participants enrolled in the programs for success in school, and meets the needs of special populations, including children with disabilities. Canyon is licensed and operates under the California Childcare Center General Licensing requirements.

Incorporated in 1959, Canyon has provided child care and development services since its beginnings in 1948, when it began parent-participation child care in nearby homes, backyards, and garages. Arrangements were made between RAP and Canyon to allow Canyon a more formal space to conduct a cooperative nursery school at Las Palmas Senior Citizen Center in 1961. At that time Canyon was given use of one room, restrooms, and an enclosed outside area for play equipment and storage facilities - total area utilized, approximately 6,282 square feet.

In 1973, RAP conducted a thorough study of organized child care and development activities operating on RAP facilities, which resulted in the Board adopting RAP's first child care policy in 1974. The policy allowed non-profit child care and development program groups to utilize RAP facilities by permit without charge during normal operating hours, siting the importance of outdoor child development specifically for those organizations operating on RAP property at the inner-city areas (Report No. 678, June 6, 1974). And on May 17, 1984, the Board approved Report No. 418-84, re-affirming the former child care policy but with additional child care and development organization criteria. Canyon has continued to operate a cooperative child care and development program on park property for more than 50 years.

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In 2002, in Board Report No. 02-349, the Board approved a policy that requires all non-profits operating or providing services using park land or other land under RAP control pay all utility costs (gas, water, electricity) associated with the use of that RAP facility. In 2003, Canyon began to pay electricity usage directly to the utility provider as there was a separate utility meter for that area at Las Palmas Senior Citizen Center. However, Canyon has not paid for water usage as there was no separate water meter for the child care facility.

In March 2011, RAP established the Partnership Division, which was assigned the task of formalizing agreements with organizations utilizing park property for the mutual benefit of the community, RAP, and the organizations. Additionally, the Division has implemented mechanisms to recover certain costs from organizations operating on park property, which are not currently paying for their own utility usage, trash removal, custodial services, maintenance, and/or other expenses which are fiscally impacting RAP through the organization's operation of public programs. On November 2, 2011, Board approved Report No. 11-296, so that all non-profit cooperative nursery, Head Start, pre-school, and child day care organizations be subject to RAP's Partnership Policies, including those related to cost recovery fees.

Furthermore, in order for RAP to recover costs for utilities, solid waste removal, and staff impact costs from organizations using RAP facilities on a shared use or exclusive use basis, the Board has approved a series of reimbursement fee schedules: for utilities, Report No. 11-202 approved July 13, 2011; trash and solid waste disposal, Board Report No. 12-028 approved February 1, 2012; Staff impact cost, Report No. 12-217 approved July 19, 2012, to allow RAP to recover a portion of costs associated with organization's shared or exclusive use of certain space. Specifically to Canyon, RAP has determined that Canyon shall pay a monthly Cost Recovery Fee of \$207 for water usage, trash and solid waste disposal, and staff impact costs. To allow ample time for the school budget and tuition fees to be adjusted for Canyon's new school year, under the current ROE, RAP has begun the collection of monthly Cost Recovery Fees in August, 2012.

The yearly value of Canyon's child care and development program services to the public has been determined to be \$177,000, based on their annual operating budget. Staff recommends approval of the proposed Agreement, so Canyon may be allowed to continue using park property to operate a child care program which provides recreational benefits and is in the best interest of the community around the Las Palmas Senior Citizen Center.

Should the proposed Agreement be approved, Canyon's performance will be monitored through an annual performance review to ensure compliance with the Agreement. As part of the proposed Agreement, Canyon will be responsible at its sole cost and expense for repair costs related to the operation and maintenance of the Canyon child care and development program as well as the Cost Recovery Fees associated with their respective child care and development operation, as discussed above.

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ENVIRONMENTAL:

Staff has determined that the execution of the proposed Agreement is for the operation of programming at an existing park facility involving negligible or no expansion of use and, therefore, is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article III, Section 1, Class 1 (14) of the City CEQA Guidelines.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

The proposed Agreement will have no adverse impact on RAP's General Fund as operations and program costs associated with Canyon's use of park property will be paid for by Canyon at no cost to the City, and costs impacting RAP shall be compensated through the collection of Board approved Cost Recovery Fees.

This report was prepared by Joel Alvarez, Senior Management Analyst and Leslie Richter, Senior Recreation Director I, Partnership Division.

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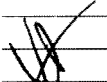
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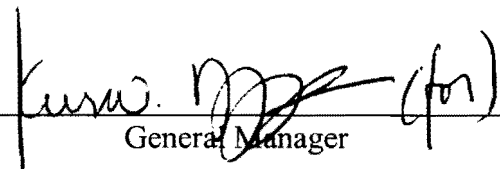
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BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

SUBJECT: ROSS SNYDER RECREATION CENTER – AGREEMENT WITH PACIFIC ASIAN CONSORTIUM IN EMPLOYMENT, FOR THE OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF A LICENSED HEAD START PROGRAM ON PARK PROPERTY

R. Adams		K. Regan	_____
H. Fujita	_____	M. Shull	_____
*V. Israel	_____	N. Williams	_____



 General Manager

Approved _____ Disapproved _____ Withdrawn _____

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the Board:

1. Approve a proposed three (3) year agreement (Agreement), substantially in the form on file in the Board Office, between the Department of Recreation and Parks (RAP) and Pacific Asian Consortium in Employment, (PACE), a California non-profit organization, setting forth the terms and conditions for PACE's use of park property at Ross Snyder Recreation Center, in accordance with Policies, to provide Head Start services to low income families, subject to the approval of the Mayor and of the City Attorney as to form;
2. Direct the Board Secretary to transmit the proposed Agreement, to the Mayor in accordance with Executive Directive No. 3, and concurrently, to the City Attorney for review and approval as to form;
3. Authorize the Board President and Secretary to execute the Agreement upon receipt of the necessary approvals; and,
4. Direct the Department's Chief Accounting Employee to deposit fees for utility and other cost recovery reimbursements received from PACE in Department 302 Fund 89, in the accounts established for such purpose.

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SUMMARY

PACE, a private non-profit agency, is a delegate Head Start service provider receiving federal Head Start funding through the Los Angeles County Office of Education (LACOE) to operate the Lindsay Center located at 1584 East Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard, Los Angeles, California 90011, on Ross Snyder Recreation Center property. Right Of Entry (ROE) Permit No. PD-ROE-012 was issued by RAP in July 2011 to allow PACE to operate at the facility. The original term of the ROE was for six months but the term was extended to allow time for the Partnership Division to formalize an Agreement between PACE and RAP, in accordance with RAP's Policy.

Pursuant to Board Report No. 11-296 approved November 2, 2011, the Board made a finding that non-profit cooperative nursery, Head Start, pre-school and child care organizations are a recreational use as these programs provide outdoor child development through recreational and educational pre-school experiences such as game playing, free play, and group sports play. Additionally, Head Start Programs are free services provided by various organizations to children ages two through five from low income families. These programs encourage physical activity, demonstrate healthy lifestyle choices, help prepare participants enrolled in the programs for success in school, and meet the needs of special populations, including children with disabilities. Head Start Programs are required to be operated under California Childcare Center General Licensing requirements.

PACE has provided licensed Head Start services for over 20 years in Los Angeles County at no cost to the community's participants. The licensed Head Start Program provided by PACE follows the traditional school-year calendar. The Program promotes the development of self-sufficiency and school readiness in participants through constructive play and outdoor activities. PACE provides morning and afternoon sessions, servicing up to 120 children per day. The annual value of services PACE provides at the Lindsay Center is estimated at \$840,000, based on PACE's annual budget for the operation.

The Lindsay Center at Ross Snyder consists of two pre-fabricated classrooms with playground equipment in an adjacent gated and enclosed outside area. The classrooms were purchased years ago by the Head Start delegate prior to PACE, with funding through LACOE. At that time, the Head Start delegate received approval from RAP to have the classrooms placed on RAP property. The classrooms and play equipment are the property of the issuing delegate to run Head Start programming and are handed down to or replaced by future Head Start delegates at sites that require modular classrooms and equipment. Under the terms of the contract between PACE and LACOE, PACE is responsible to maintain the classrooms and playground equipment. LACOE performs regular evaluations and maintains oversight of PACE for compliance with relevant licensing requirements. If a notice of termination of the Agreement is initiated, RAP will allow a period of 180 calendar days for PACE to remove classrooms and playground

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equipment from the property thereby giving enough time for PACE to acquire emergency funds from LACOE in order to implement and pay for PACE's removal of the classrooms.

Staff recommends approval of the proposed Agreement in order that PACE may be allowed to continue using park property to provide a licensed Head Start Program which provides recreational benefits and is in the best interest of the Central Los Angeles community.

Should the proposed Agreement be approved, PACE's performance will be monitored through an annual performance review to ensure compliance with the Agreement. As part of the proposed Agreement, PACE will be responsible, at its sole cost and expense, for all utility, maintenance, solid waste disposal, and repair costs related to the operation and maintenance of the Lindsay Center. Additionally, PACE will pay a Cost Recovery Fee to RAP in the amount of \$142 per month or \$1,704 a year. The Cost Recovery Fee will cover indirect costs associated with the administrative impact of PACE's program to RAP in accordance with the Rates and Fees for Staff Impact Cost Reimbursement approved by the Board.

ENVIRONMENTAL

Staff has determined that the execution of the proposed Agreement is for the operation of programming at an existing park facility involving negligible or no expansion of use and, therefore, is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article III, Section 1, Class 1 (14) of the City CEQA Guidelines.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

The proposed Agreement will have no adverse impact on RAP's General Fund as operations and program costs associated with PACE's use of park property will be paid for by PACE at no cost to the City.

This report was prepared by Joel Alvarez, Senior Management Analyst and Leslie Perez, Senior Recreation Director I, Partnership Division.

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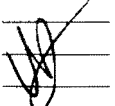
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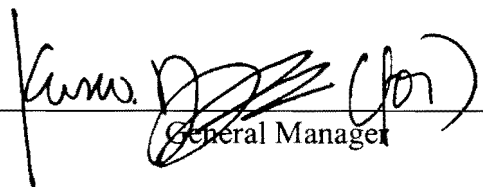
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BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

SUBJECT: EXPO CENTER – DONATION FROM FRIENDS OF EXPO CENTER FOR
2012 SUMMER CAMP SCHOLARSHIPS

R. Adams		K. Regan	_____
H. Fujita	_____	M. Shull	_____
*V. Israel	_____	N. Williams	_____



 General Manager

Approved _____ Disapproved _____ Withdrawn _____

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board accept the donation as noted in the Summary of this Report and that appropriate recognition be given to the donor.

SUMMARY:

EXPO Center has received ninety thousand dollars (\$90,000) in scholarship assistance for the 2012 Summer Youth Camp Programs from the Friends of EXPO Center.

The Friends of EXPO Center was established as a 501 (c)(3) organization in 1998 to develop the site of the 1932 Los Angeles Swim Stadium and construct a state-of-the-art recreational and community center. Today, a thirty-two (32)-member volunteer Board comprised of community and business leaders continues to provide strategic support and financial assistance to EXPO Center. A major goal of the Friends of EXPO Center is to serve low income families in the Exposition Park community by providing scholarship assistance to subsidize all fee-based camp programs. Campers must be residents of the City of Los Angeles to receive scholarship assistance.

The \$90,000 was used to offer approximately 1,200 full and partial camp scholarships to families that complete an application and qualify to receive assistance based on their financial situation. Scholarships are given out on a first come, first served basis to families that meet the qualifications.

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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

Acceptance of this donation results in no fiscal impact to the Department's General Fund, except for unknown savings, as donations may offset some expenditures. Without this donation camp attendance would be much lower than the levels we have been able to achieve.

The funds were deposited into MRP Account 311.

This report was prepared by Belinda Jackson, Executive Director, EXPO Center.

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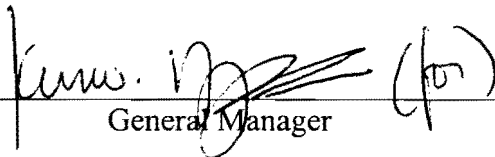
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BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

SUBJECT: GRIFFITH OBSERVATORY – DONATION FROM FRIENDS OF THE OBSERVATORY

R. Adams _____	K. Regan _____
H. Fujita _____	M. Shull _____
*V. Israel _____	N. Williams _____



 General Manager

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RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board accept the donation as noted in the Summary of this Report and that appropriate recognition be given to the donor.

SUMMARY:

The Griffith Observatory has received a donation of a Tricaster video switcher system, estimated value of \$20,000, from the Friends Of The Observatory (FOTO) to be used for Observatory video production and online broadcasting. This professional video switcher enables the Observatory to process and select multiple camera and signal inputs for both live production and quality post-production. The first use of the switcher was during the Observatory's pioneering live webcast of the transit of Venus (June 5, 2012), when the Programming staff was able to choose among live feeds of Venus moving across the face of the Sun from its solar and optical telescopes, computer imagery, live camera imagery, and live commentary for the production. More than 80,000 people viewed a portion of the videocast online, despite minimal advance notice or promotion. The switcher enables a new era of global Griffith Observatory online live and recorded public outreach, including special events, lectures, and notable moments. The switcher transforms the Observatory's production capabilities.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

Acceptance of this donation results in no fiscal impact to the Department's General Fund except unknown savings as the donation may offset some expenditures.

This report was prepared by Mark Pine, Deputy Director, Griffith Observatory.

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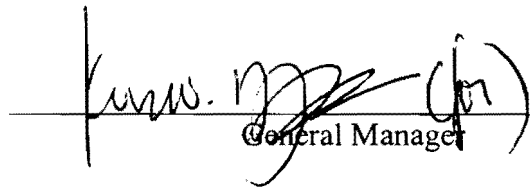
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BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

SUBJECT: GRIFFITH OBSERVATORY – DONATION FROM FRIENDS OF THE OBSERVATORY TO SUPPORT THE GRIFFITH OBSERVATORY SCHOOL PROGRAM IN SCHOOL YEAR 2012-2013

R. Adams _____	K. Regan _____
H. Fujita _____	M. Shull _____
*V. Israel _____	N. Williams _____



 General Manager

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RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the Board:

1. Accept with gratitude, a donation from Friends Of The Observatory (FOTO) of \$175,000 to support the Griffith Observatory School Program during the 2012-13 school year and that appropriate recognition be given to FOTO; and,
2. Direct the Department's Chief Accounting Employee to deposit the funds in the existing special account in Fund 302, Department 89, Account 89843M (Observatory School Program) upon receipt of the funds from FOTO.

SUMMARY:

For a fifth year, FOTO has generously agreed to donate \$175,000 to the Griffith Observatory (the Observatory), located at 2800 East Observatory Road, Los Angeles, California 90027. The donation is intended to continue FOTO's support for the Observatory School Program through the 2012-13 school year.

The Griffith Observatory School Program serves fifth-grade students from across the region, with roughly half coming from the Los Angeles Unified School District. Due to significant reductions in the Observatory's staffing and expense budgets in FY 2008-09, the Observatory sought FOTO's assistance in supporting the continuation of the Griffith Observatory School Program for the 2008-09 school year. FOTO provided support again for the 2009-10, 2010-11,

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and 2011-12 school years. FOTO is continuing to seek a multi-year private sponsor for the program.

The donation funds will be deposited into the existing interest-bearing account in Fund 302, Department 89, Account 89843M (Observatory School Program) and used solely and exclusively for costs associated with the implementation of the Griffith Observatory School Program including reimbursements for part-time staffing, program expenses, and other related activities. The Department will continue to provide regular reports to FOTO on the disposition of the funding and status of the funds in the account.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

Acceptance of the donation will have no fiscal impact on the Department's General Fund, as the General Fund would not have been used for the program in the 2012-13 school year. Without the funds contributed by FOTO, the Griffith Observatory School Program would have been cancelled for the 2008-09, 2009-10, 2010-11, 2011-12, and 2012-13 school years.

This report was prepared by Mark Pine, Deputy Director, Griffith Observatory.

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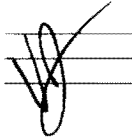
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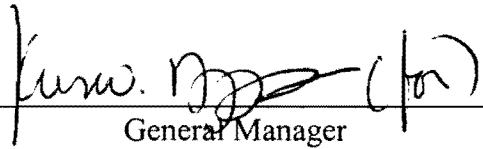
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SUBJECT: GRIFFITH PARK – HOLLYWOOD SIGN – DONATION OF MATERIALS AND SERVICES TO STRIP AND REPAINT THE HOLLYWOOD SIGN

R. Adams _____		K. Regan _____
H. Fujita _____		M. Shull _____
* V. Israel _____		N. Williams _____



 General Manager

Approved _____ Disapproved _____ Withdrawn _____

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the Board:

1. Accept a donation from The Sherwin-Williams Company (SW) valued at \$140,674, and from the Hollywood Sign Trust (Trust) valued at \$35,000, (collectively referred to as Donors), consisting of materials and services collectively valued at \$175,674, to strip and repaint the Hollywood Sign (Project), as described in the Summary of this Report, and that appropriate recognition be provided to Donors; and,
2. Direct staff to issue a temporary Right-Of-Entry (ROE) permit to the Trust to authorize the Trust and their contractor to perform all work related to the Project, as described in the Summary of this Report.

SUMMARY:

The Hollywood Sign (Sign) is recognized as Los Angeles Historic-Cultural Monument #111. This historic monument is recognized world-wide; it is an icon of Southern California and the Motion Picture Industry. The Sign is located on the south-facing Mt. Lee area of Griffith Park. The Sign consists of nine (9) 45-foot high letters that span approximately 33 feet each. The Sign has three (3) generations, or layers, of paint. The first layer was applied in 1978 when the current structure was built. This layer is an oil base paint that has lost its adherence to the corrugated metal of the letters. The second layer is a latex paint that was applied in 1995. The third layer is an elastomer paint that was applied in 2006. The third layer does not have the proper “breathability” characteristics for this usage and thus is collecting large amounts of water and causing blistering that is bulging out from

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the letters. The Sign needs to be completely stripped of all layers of paint and repainted with a paint whose characteristics allow it to adhere to the metal letters and allow it to breathe properly.

The Donors collectively have committed to donating materials and services valued at \$175,674, pending the Board's approval, to strip and repaint the Sign at no cost to the City. A Right Of Entry (ROE) permit will be required to allow the Donor's contractor, Duggan and Associates, Inc. (Contractor), to carry out the services of the Project. The Project will take approximately eight (8) weeks to complete, although the ROE will allow four (4) months to account for any potential contingencies such as "inclement weather." The Contractor will work on the Project between 6:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

The Trust is a 501(c)(3) non-profit group with the stated mission in its Declaration of Trust of, "...repairing, maintaining, refurbishing, and providing capital improvements to the Hollywood Sign or related thereto for the benefit of the public at large and so as to help preserve and maintain the image of Hollywood as the Worldwide Center of Motion Pictures and Cinema Arts." The Trust and Contractor will work with RAP's Forestry Division to gain access to the Sign and to ensure work is performed in a high-quality manner as to not detract from the historic integrity and character of the Sign to the satisfaction of RAP.

The Contractor is set to perform the work with a crew of ten (10) painters. Contractor will erect a safety system consisting of a rope rail system anchored to the ground above the Sign and a fall protection guardrail in front of and below the Sign. A swing stage system attached to the top of the structure columns will be utilized to access the front of the Sign and extension ladders will be utilized to access the backside of the Sign. All workers at eight (8) feet and above will utilize a fall protection harness system that meets OSHA requirements. The Risk Management Office of the City Administrative Officer has reviewed the project and set insurance requirements that will have to be met by the Trust and the Contractor.

The stripping of old paint from the Sign will be performed with the use of Smart Strip, a paint remover that its manufacturer, Dumond Chemicals, Inc., claims to be safe for the user, the substrate and the environment. It is classified as non-hazardous, is pH neutral, contains no methylene chloride, caustic or volatile organic compounds, and is 100% biodegradable. This water-based stripper is effective for removing multiple layers from virtually any surface including metal and can be used on intricate, carved, or molded surfaces.

Painting will be performed with a high volume low pressure spray machine that applies a uniform primer and finish to ensure that all cracks and joints receive proper thickness while containing and reducing overspray. Spraying will be halted when high winds prevail. Plastic protection will be placed under the Sign to contain stripping and painting debris.

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This donation adds to the long list of support which has been offered by and through the efforts of the Trust and the Chamber, and staff recommends approval with thanks to the Donors.

Staff has determined that the proposal to issue a ROE permit to the Trust to strip and repaint the Sign constitutes maintenance work that is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article III, Section 1, Class 1 (14) of the City CEQA Guidelines.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

This project is a gift of material and services valued at approximately \$175,674 for work which RAP is not budgeted to perform and, therefore, contributes beneficially to the City. There will be unknown but probably negligible costs associated with preparation of the permit and monitoring of the work.

This report was prepared by Joel Alvarez, Senior Management Analyst and Robert De Hart, Senior Recreation Director II, Partnership Division.

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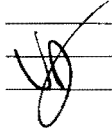
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BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

SUBJECT: LOS ANGELES PARKS FOUNDATION – APRIL 2012 THROUGH JUNE 2012
QUARTERLY REPORT OF GIFTS MADE FOR THE BENEFIT OF LOS ANGELES CITY PARKS

R. Adams



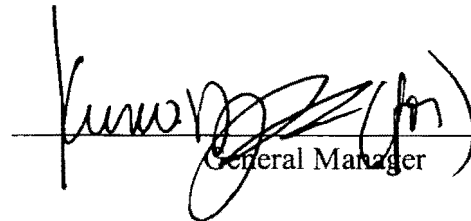
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General Manager

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RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board accept the Gifts listed in Exhibit-A of this Report which were provided to the Department of Recreation and Parks (Department) by the Los Angeles Parks Foundation (LAPF) during the period of April 2012 to June 2012, for each of the listed facilities and/or respective purposes.

SUMMARY:

In April 2008, LAPF was incorporated in the State of California as a not for profit corporation for the benefit and enhancement of Los Angeles City parks and their related programs and services. LAPF's mission is to enhance, preserve, expand, and promote recreational opportunities and parks for the benefit of the people of Los Angeles. In coordination with the Department, LAPF fulfills its mission by raising funds from public and private sources for improvements and enhancements at our City parks that are above and beyond available City revenues. LAPF solicits and receives gifts, donations, sponsorships, and contributions (collectively referred to as "Gifts"), which may or may not be restricted and/or specified for a specific park or purpose. In turn, LAPF works closely and cooperatively with the Department to provide Gifts that meet the unmet needs of City parks.

In accordance with established quarterly reporting procedures approved by the Board on January 5, 2011 (Report No. 11-011), attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibit-A is a list of Gifts provided by LAPF to the Department during a three month period from April 2012 through June 2012, including the names of the benefitting facilities and/or intended purpose(s), with a total value of \$61,755.03.

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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

Acceptance of these Gifts results in no fiscal impact to the Department's General Fund except for unknown savings as such gifts may offset certain Department expenditures.

This report was prepared by Joel Alvarez, Senior Management Analyst I, Raymond Chang, Management Analyst II, Partnership Division, in coordination with Judith Kieffer, Executive Director of the Los Angeles Parks Foundation.

Exhibit–A

Los Angeles Parks Foundation
Gifts to Department of Recreation and Parks
April 2012 to June 2012

Program	Amount
Banning Recreation Center / Wells Fargo Adoption –	
Roof Decks, Opening Day Costs	\$ 3,888.59
CAN Project / Weingart Grant –	
Promotional Materials	2,172.00
City Hall Park –	
Materials and Supplies	18,888.56
Costello Recreation Center –	
Baseball and Basketball Supplies	1,673.00
Palms Recreation Center –	
Licensing for Movies in the Park	763.00
Pershing Square PAB Fund –	
Art Squared Event Disbursements	3,246.38
Rustic Canyon –	
Tennis Court Refurbishment	17,517.14
Wabash Recreation Center / Sperber Adoption –	
Sports Equipment and Supplies	613.12
Watts Cluster Program –	
Tutors, Coordinator and Supplies	12,993.24
Total Gifted	\$ 61,755.03

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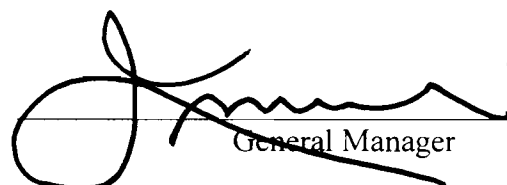
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BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

SUBJECT: VARIOUS DONATIONS TO OPERATIONS BRANCH – VALLEY REGION

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

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



General Manager

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RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board accept the following donations, as noted in the Summary of this Report, and that appropriate recognition is given to the donors.

SUMMARY:

Operations Branch – Valley Region, has received the following donations:

Cheviot Hills Recreation Center

Gamblers Anonymous donated \$100 to be used for center programs.

North Hollywood Recreation Center

The Eagle Rock Yacht Club donated a water slide for day camp. The total estimated value of this donation is \$500.

Palisades Recreation Center

Haldis and Kurt Toppel donated a Dyson vacuum cleaner. The total estimated value of this donation is \$250.

Stoner Community Center

Cesar Landaverde donated indoor soccer equipment. The total estimated value of this donation is \$1,600.

Studio City Recreation Center

Studio City Co-op Preschool donated \$1,500 to be used for center programs.

Valley Plaza Recreation Center

Ronald Reyes donated \$150 to be used for baseball/softball and basketball scholarships.

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Venice Beach Recreation Center

Ivanko Barbell Company donated a weight set. The total estimated value of this donation is \$3,000.

Racquets4Less.com donated paddle tennis equipment. The total estimated value of this donation is \$500.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

There is no fiscal impact to the Department's General Fund, except unknown savings, as the donations may offset some expenditures.

Report prepared by Louis Loomis, Management Analyst II, Operations Branch, Valley Region.

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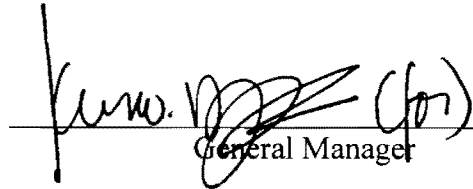
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BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

SUBJECT: VARIOUS COMMUNICATIONS



General Manager

Approved _____

Disapproved _____

Withdrawn _____

The following communications have been received by the Board and recommended action thereon is presented.

From:

Recommendation:

1) Mayor, relative to a proposed Memorandum of Understanding with the Port of Los Angeles for landscape maintenance services at various facilities.

Refer to staff for further processing.

2) Mayor, relative to a proposed Agreement with the Los Angeles Parks Foundation and the Diller-von Furstenberg Family Foundation for the refurbishment of basketball courts.

Refer to staff for further processing.

3) Councilmember LaBonge, to the Department of Water and Power, relative to leasing land along Beverly Drive to the Department.

Note and file.

4) Councilmember Huizar, proposing that a plaque in honor of John Stillion be installed on the Eagle Rock Monument.

Refer to General Manager.

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- 5) City Clerk, relative to the status of all fees charged for film and television productions and the impact of waiving all City fees for television pilots filmed substantially in the City. Refer to General Manager.
- 6) City Clerk, two communications relative to destruction of obsolete Departmental records. Note and file.
- 7) Chief Legislative Analyst, forwarding the Legislative Report for the weeks ending July 20, July 27, and August 3, 2012. Note and file.
- 8) Golf Advisory Committee, relative to the proposed Golf Business Analysis Section. Refer to General Manager.
- 9) Miguel Lopez, relative to the new synthetic field at Lanark Park. Refer to General Manager.
- 10) Nicole Martinez, relative to the programs for children at Reseda Park. Refer to General Manager.
- 11) Dorothy Wardlaw, relative to St. Andrews Park. Refer to General Manager.
- 12) Echo Park Tennis Association, thanking the Department for the refurbishment of the tennis courts at Echo Park. Note and file.
- 13) Laurie Smith, relative to incidents at EXPO Park. Refer to General Manager.
- 14) Four communications, relative to Lake Hollywood Park. Note and file.
- 15) Kenneth Gross, relative to re-opening Chatsworth Park South. Refer to General Manager.

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- 16) Juan Valencia, to Trish Delgado, Aquatic Director, relative to events at some recent water polo games. Refer to General Manager.
- 17) Martha Hernandez, relative to programs for her disabled, sight impaired, Spanish-speaking, senior citizen mother. Refer to General Manager.
- 18) David Green, Sr. Vice President/ CFO, Nederlander West Coast, to the General Manager, relative to the Department's audit of the Greek Theatre Concession. Note and file.
- 19) Mickey Prince, relative to alleged discrimination regarding bathing suits. Refer to General Manager.
- 20) Karen, relative to Eddie's Garden in Cheviot Hills Recreation Center. Refer to General Manager.
- 21) John A. Henning, Jr., relative to allegedly illegal camping at Venice Beach Recreation Area. Refer to General Manager.
- 22) Alveraz Ricardez, Founder & Club President of Los Angeles Soccer Academy, relative to the availability of soccer fields in the Cheviot Hills area. Refer to General Manager.
- 23) Samuel M. Sperling, relative to the Civil Service system in Los Angeles. Note and file.
- 24) Joyce Dillard, relative to the Los Angeles Parks Foundation involvement with the development of three 50 Park Initiative sites. Refer to General Manager.

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25) Joyce Dillard, relative to the proposed lease of a portion of Bette Davis Picnic Area to the City of Glendale.

Refer to General Manager.

26) Soraya Romero, requesting that El Cariso Pool be kept open year round.

Refer to General Manager.

27) Luis A Medrano, relative to mountain lion in Griffith Park.

Refer to General Manager.


This report was prepared by Paul Liles, Clerk Typist, Commission Office.

FOR INFORMATION ONLY

CITY OF LOS ANGELES
DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION & PARKS

September 5, 2012

TO: BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS
FROM: JON KIRK MUKRI, General Manager
SUBJECT: CITYWIDE PILOT RECYCLING PROGRAM – DREAM MACHINE KIOSKS



On July 9, 2012, the Department of Recreation and Parks (RAP) executed Right of Entry (ROE) permits to Recycle Rewards, Inc. (RR), Los Angeles Conservation Corps. (LACC), and SVC Manufacturing, Inc. (SVC), to collaborate on installing, maintaining, and promoting Dream Machine Kiosks in a pilot program for recycling beverage containers.

This pilot recycling program of Pepsico, Inc. (Pepsi), central to the Mayor's Environmental agenda by promoting good stewardship of the lands as a means to a more sustainable future, will be instituted at the following fifteen (15) RAP facilities, one in each of the fifteen (15) city council districts: 1 – Rio de Los Angeles State Park, 2 – Valley Plaza Recreation Center, 3 – Woodland Hills Recreation Center, 4 – Pan Pacific Recreation Center, 5 – Cheviot Hills Recreation Center, 6 – Balboa Sports Complex, 7 – Hansen Dam Recreation Area, 8 – Van Ness Recreation Center, 9 – Augustus F. Hawkins Nature Center, 10 – Rancho Cienega Sports Complex, 11 – Stoner Recreation Center, 12 – Granada Hills Recreation Center, 13 – Echo Park Recreation Center, 14 – Eagle Rock Recreation Center, and 15 – Peck Park Recreation Center. These Dream Machine Kiosks will be the first in Los Angeles and add to the over 4,000 kiosks in forty (40) states.

Dream Machine interactive kiosks (Kiosks) are computerized recycling receptacles that include a personal reward system to promote and motivate the public to recycle. Consumers will earn points for every bottle or can they recycle in the Kiosk, which can be redeemed for local discounts on entertainment, dining and travel. Pepsi and its subsidiary, SVC, will partner with RR and LACC to bring 15 Kiosks to the City of Los Angeles at no cost to the City. The goals are to help address the gap in the recycling system by providing access to recycling at on-the-go public venues, to motivate the public to want to recycle more by making recycling more accessible and rewarding, and to support Pepsi's goal to increase the U.S. beverage container recycling rate to fifty (50%) percent by 2018. These ROE's allow these Kiosks to operate in the fifteen (15) RAP facilities for one (1) year, with the hope that this pilot program advances the goals above and is adopted in a longer term agreement in the future, potentially at more locations.

The three (3) permittees, RR, LACC, and SVC, will work collaboratively with each other and with RAP to install, operate, and maintain the Kiosks. RR is responsible for the costs associated with the installation and technical maintenance of the Kiosks including necessary electrical improvements, administration of the personal reward system, technical service and repair of Kiosks. LACC is responsible for the costs associated with emptying and removing recycled materials containers from Kiosks to an off-site location, providing collection bags and transaction receipt tape for Kiosks, and providing light maintenance of Kiosks. SVC is responsible for all costs associated with supplying each Kiosk, paying utility cost and recovery fees to RAP, and providing media and communications support for the Kiosks.

Where possible, Kiosks will be installed near the vending area of each facility. The exact location and electrical hookup will be approved and supervised by RAP personnel to insure proper spacing, safety, and electrical capacity at each facility. Utility costs will be recovered from SVC in the monthly payment of cost recovery fees in the amount of \$60.00 per month per Kiosk, or \$900.00 total per month for all fifteen (15) locations. Permittees are responsible for all costs associated with this program including installation, operation, maintenance, and possible relocation, replacement, or removal of Kiosks. Partnership Division staff will monitor this recycling program for the first year.

Currently, less than a third of plastic beverage containers are being recycled each year. Only twelve (12%) percent of public spaces are equipped with recycling receptacles. Every ton of plastic bottles recycled saves approximately 3.8 barrels of oil. If every household in the U.S. recycled just three more plastic bottles a month, more than twenty-three (23) million pounds of plastic could be diverted from our landfills and increase the amount of recycled plastic used to manufacture new bottles. Recycling a single aluminum can conserves the equivalent energy required to light a 100-watt light bulb for up to twenty (20) hours.

This report was prepared by Joel Alvarez, Senior Management Analyst and Robert De Hart, Senior Recreation Director II, Partnership Division.

MATTERS PENDING

Matters Pending will be carried for a maximum of six months, after which time they will be deemed withdrawn and rescheduled whenever a new staff report is received.

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORTS:

ORIGINALLY	PLACED	
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<u>BOARD AGENDA</u>	<u>PENDING</u>	<u>WITHDRAWN</u>

None

BIDS TO BE RECEIVED:

PROPOSALS TO BE RECEIVED:

TBD	Film Production Instruction (CLASS Parks)
ON HOLD	Hansen Dam Golf Course Professional Concession
ON HOLD	Hansen Dam Golf Course Restaurant Concession
ON HOLD	Woodley Lakes Golf Course Restaurant Concession
ON HOLD	Woodley Lakes Golf Course Professional Concession