REPORT OF GENERAL MANAGER

NO. 05-190

DATE June 15, 2005

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BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

SUBJECT: GARVANZA PARK – SKATE PARK AND FACILITY IMPROVEMENTS (#1122A) (W.O. # E170955F) – FINAL PLANS AND CALL FOR BIDS

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Approved ______________ Disapproved ______________ Withdrawn ______________

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board:

1. Review, consider and adopt the Initial Study/Environmental Assessment (IS/EA) and the associated Mitigated Negative Declaration, finding that on the basis of the whole record, including the IS/EA and any comments received, there is no substantial evidence that the project will have a significant effect on the environment, and that all potentially significant environmental effects of the project have been properly disclosed and evaluated in the IS/EA in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the State and City CEQA Guidelines and reflects the Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks’ independent judgment and analysis;

2. Approve final plans and specifications for Garvanza Park – Skate Park and Facilities Improvements(#1122A) (W.O. #E170955F); and

3. Approve the date for receipt of bids as Tuesday, July 26, 2005, at 3:00 PM, in the Board Room.

4. Direct Staff to file a Notice of Determination with the Los Angeles County Clerk within 5 days of adoption.
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SUMMARY:

Submitted are final plans and specifications for the Garvanza Park – Skate Park and Field Improvements Project (#1122A) (W.O. #E170955F), located at 6240 E. Meridian St., Los Angeles, CA 0042, Council District 14. The project is funded by Sites and Facilities, Proposition 12 and Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) monies. Plans for this project were prepared in collaboration between Public Works, Bureau of Engineering’s Architectural Division and Purkiss Rose – RSI, a private landscape firm. Their estimate for the construction cost of this project is $857,000.00. The following is a general list of the improvements to be made to the park facilities.

1. New 12,000 square foot poured-in-place (in-ground) concrete skate park.
2. New children’s play area.
3. New historical plaque.
4. New Drinking fountains.
5. New driveway access.
6. Adjust existing irrigation and planting.
7. Replace and repair existing asphalt walkways.

Funds for construction are available for the proposed improvements in, Sites and Facilities, Proposition 12, and CDBG funds, in the following accounts:

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In accordance with the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), a Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) was prepared based on an Initial Study/Environmental Assessment (IS/EA), which determined that all potentially significant environmental effects would be mitigated to a level less than significant. The MND was circulated to all interested parties and responsible agencies, and filed with the State Clearinghouse for a 30-day review and comment period from January 29, 2004 through February 27, 2004. Seven comment letters were received that addressed primarily project design issues. There were no new substantive environmental issues raised. All comments and responses have been incorporated into the final MND, copies of which have been provided to the Board for its review and consideration. Mitigation measures for short-term temporary construction impacts have been identified in the MND that will either reduce or eliminate the potentially significant environment impacts of the project. It was determined that the project, as proposed, will not individually or cumulatively have an adverse effect on wildlife resources or their habitats as defined by Fish and Game Code 711.2.
The bid package has been approved by the City Attorney's Office.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

It is anticipated that the project will be completed in July 2006, so there will be no fiscal impact until Fiscal Year 2006/07. Annual operations and maintenance cost are estimated at $177,737.00.

This report was prepared by Robert Gutierrez, Project Manager, and reviewed by Neil Drucker, Program Manager, Recreational and Cultural Facilities Program; and by Bradley M. Smith, P.E., Bureau of Engineering.