RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board, subject to approval of the Mayor and the City Council as required by Los Angeles Administrative Code Section 14.6, adopt a Resolution as attached, certifying the Board's approval to accept funding from the California Department of Education for the General Child Care and Extended Day Care grants.

SUMMARY:

On December 12, 2007, the Board approved the submission of grant applications to the California Department of Education (CDE) for the General Child Care Grant at Jim Gilliam Child Care Center and for the Department’s Extended Day Care programs at various facilities (Board Report No. 07-302). In order to execute the resulting grant agreements, the Department must also submit a signed Resolution form, certifying the Board’s approval to accept grant funding from the CDE (see attached).

The General Child Care grant is awarded at $216,454, and will provide grant monies to the Jim Gilliam Child Care Center for its subsidized pre-school program. The program is the Department’s first licensed pre-school program and serves children of families with incomes at or below the 75% State median income level. Since January of 1986, the Department has received CDE funds to operate the child care services at this facility. Prior to the CDE subsidy, many parents could only afford to enroll their children for a portion of the day. The center is
licensed by the State to serve 45 children from three to five years of age, and is currently operating at full capacity. The grant funded program at Jim Gilliam Child Care Center makes it possible for children to remain at the center all day.

The Extended Day Care (Latchkey) grant is awarded at $477,694, and will provide after school child care services at the following seven licensed Department child care centers: Baldwin Hills, Echo Park, Eagle Rock, Evergreen, Loren Miller, South Park, and Hubert Humphrey. Since 1986, the Department has used these grant funds to subsidize latchkey services to children of families with incomes at or below the 75% State median income level. This grant will continue to require 50% of the program’s participants to pay full or partial fees to match the 50% subsidized participants.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:
Without these funds, the Department will lose the ability to offer participants subsidized child care. Approximately 95% of the participants would not be able to afford the program cost, and there would not be enough enrollees to continue operating the child care centers. This Board action provides the CDE with the necessary Resolution to execute the grants.

This report was prepared by Alexa Esparza, Senior Management Analyst, and Sophia Piñacortez, Superintendent, West Region.
RESOLUTION

This resolution must be adopted in order to certify the approval of the Governing Board to enter into this transaction with the California Department of Education for the purpose of providing child care and development services and to authorize the designated personnel to sign contract documents for Fiscal Year 2008/09.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Board of The City of Los Angeles Department Recreation and Parks

authorizes entering into local agreement number/s CLTK-8024 and CCTR-8123 and that the person/s who is/are listed below, is/are authorized to sign the transaction for the Governing Board.

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PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS _____ day of ___________ 2008/09, by the Governing Board of The City of Los Angeles Department Recreation and Parks of Los Angeles County, California.

I, ____________________, Clerk of the Governing Board of ____________________, of ____________________, County, California, certify that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of a resolution adopted by the said Board at a ______________________ meeting thereof held at a regular public place of meeting and the resolution is on file in the office of said Board.

(Clerk's signature) (Date)