REPORT OF GENERAL MANAGER

DATE June 5, 2013

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BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

SUBJECT: COMMUNITY HEALTH COUNCILS, INC. – SMALL COMMUNITY TRANSFORMATION GRANT – ACCEPTANCE OF FUNDS

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the Board:

1. Authorize the Department of Recreation and Parks (RAP) General Manager to accept and receive the Small Community Transformation grant funds in the approximate amount of $403,232.00 from the Community Health Councils, Inc. (CHC) for assistance with the development of open space plans;

2. Designate RAP’s General Manager, Executive Officer, or Assistant General Manager, as the agent to conduct all negotiations, execute and submit all documents, including, but not limited to applications, agreements, amendments, and payment requests, which may be necessary for the completion of the project; and

3. Authorize RAP’s Chief Accounting Employee to establish the necessary accounts and/or to appropriate funding received within “Recreation and Parks Grant” Fund 205 to accept the Small Community Transformation Grant from CHC in the approximate amount of $403,232.00.

SUMMARY:

In July 2012, the Community Health Councils, Inc. (CHC) applied for and received a Community Transformation Grant (CTG) from the Department of Health and Human Services in the amount of $7.9 million. Prior to making that grant application, the CHC invited the Department of Recreation
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and Parks (RAP) to participate as a partner/subcontractor to CHC in the CTG grant for the
development of open space plans for the following Community Plan Areas within the City of Los Angeles: Central City, Arleta-Pacoima, Boyle Heights, Southeast Los Angeles, and Wilmington–Harbor City.

As a partner with CHC, RAP’s Planning, Construction, and Maintenance Branch staff will work collaboratively with CHC staff. RAP’s staffing costs will be reimbursed for expenses associated with the development of the open space plans in an amount not to exceed $403,232.00 over the remaining portion of the two (2) year grant performance period of October 2012 to September 2014. It is the intention of RAP to pursue additional grant funding in order to develop open space plans for all areas of the City.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

There is no negative fiscal impact to RAP’s General Fund. Staff costs will be reimbursed for work performed on the open space plans.

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