SUBJECT: LATE NIGHT HOOPS BASKETBALL PROGRAM – DONATION FROM LOS ANGELES CLIPPERS FOUNDATION IN SUPPORT OF THE PROGRAM

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RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Accept a donation from the Los Angeles Clippers Foundation (LACF), consisting of funding and in-kind supplies in support of the Department of Recreation and Parks (RAP) Late Night Hoops Basketball program (Program), with a total estimated value of up to Sixty-One Thousand, Seven Hundred Twenty-Two Dollars ($61,722.00), to benefit adults ages eighteen (18) to twenty-five (25), and that appropriate recognition be given to the donor; and,

2. Direct the RAP Chief Accounting Employee to deposit funds received from the LACF for the Program in the amount of Thirty-Six Thousand, Seven Hundred Twenty-Two Dollars ($36,722.00) into Fund 302, Department 89, Account 89703H, Sub-Account LA, for RAP staff to pay Program related expenses from said sub-account.

SUMMARY

LACF has generously offered to provide RAP with a donation valued up to Sixty-One Thousand, Seven Hundred Twenty-Two Dollars ($61,722.00) for support of the Program. The donation consists of in-kind support in the form of uniforms, awards, a Job Fair, and other program related activities with an estimated value of Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars ($25,000.00). In addition, up to the amount of Thirty-Six Thousand, Seven Hundred Twenty-Two Dollars ($36,722.00) will be provided to pay for RAP staff, security, and other program related expenses.

The Program is a late evening basketball league providing positive alternatives for young adults that promotes non-violence and unity, health and fitness, educational opportunities, employment referral, organized recreation, and cultural activities.
Over the last twenty-seven (27) years, LACF has joined with RAP to work with inner city youth, adults, and families to promote the game of basketball, sportsmanship, and athletics as an alternative to negative influences. Since 1990, this collaboration has resulted in programs such as ‘Neighborhood Pride”, “Pride Jam”, “City Wide Basketball Finals”, “NBA 2 Ball”, “Junior Clippers”, and “Late Night Hoops”.

The Program started in mid-April and concludes in late June, with Championship Game Day Activities that include a Job Fair and a three point shooting contest. Rancho Cienega Sports Complex has served as the host site, with over one hundred sixty (160) young adults participating from Algin Sutton, Denker, EI Sereno, EXPO Center, Jackie Tatum/ Harvard, Jim Gilliam, Jim Gilliam All-Stars, Mount Carmel, Rancho Cienega, Rancho Cienega All-Stars, Ross Snyder, Saint Andrews, and Slauson Recreation Centers, as well as Los Angeles County’s Washington Park.

The Assistant General Manager of the Recreation Services Branch and the Superintendents support the Program and concur with RAP staff’s recommendations.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

Acceptance of this donation has no fiscal impact to RAP’s General Fund, as LACF is providing funding for the program related expenses.

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