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BOARD REPORT

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AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

NO. 18-001

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**BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS**

SUBJECT: 50 PARKS INITIATIVE - JACARANDA PARK - ACCEPTANCE OF  
LANDSCAPE AND RECREATIONAL IMPROVEMENTS INSTALLED BY THE  
LOS ANGELES NEIGHBORHOOD LAND TRUST

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General Manager

Approved

Disapproved

Withdrawn

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Accept landscape and recreational improvements installed at Jacaranda Park pursuant to the Donation Agreement between the Department of Recreation and Parks (RAP) and the Los Angeles Neighborhood Land Trust (LANLT) for the acquisition, development, and construction of new parks in Los Angeles as a gift from LANLT;
2. Authorize the Board Secretary to furnish LANLT with a letter of acceptance; and,
3. Authorize the installation of appropriate park signage and acknowledgement signage.

SUMMARY

On July 19, 2012, the Board of Recreation and Park Commissioners (Board) approved a Donation Agreement (Agreement No. C-121941 of City Contracts) (Agreement) between the Department of Recreation and Parks (RAP) and the Los Angeles Neighborhood Land Trust (LANLT) for the acquisition, development, and construction of new parks in Los Angeles (Report No. 12-222).

As detailed in the Agreement, LANLT and RAP are to collaborate on the preparation and submittal of grant applications and conceptual plans for the prospective park projects identified in Exhibit A of the Agreement. Once funding is successfully identified and awarded to those prospective park projects, LANLT is responsible to coordinate the acquisition (where necessary), development, and construction of each park project. LANLT is required to develop plans for each park project and present those plans to RAP for review and approval. Upon completion of construction of each prospective park by LANLT, RAP staff will submit the completed project to the Board for final approval and acceptance. If accepted by the Board,

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RAP will be responsible for long-term maintenance and operation of each park developed and constructed under the terms of the Agreement.

One of the prospective park projects identified in Exhibit A of the Agreement was the 98th Street Park (now known as Jacaranda Park), which proposed the development of a new 5.35 acre park located along 98<sup>th</sup> Street between Avalon Boulevard and Wadsworth Avenue in Los Angeles on land owned by the City of Los Angeles, Department of Water and Power (LADWP). The project scope of work included open space areas, children's playground, picnic areas, family game table area, basketball half-courts, multi-use open spaces and turf areas, walking/jogging trails with outdoor fitness stations, perimeter fencing and gates, and landscaping.

Project funding was provided by \$4,997,584.00 in Proposition 84 Statewide Park Program grant funds.

Jacaranda Park project is now complete, and LANLT has furnished RAP with the required permits, drawings, operation and maintenance manuals, warranties and guarantees.

### ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT

Staff has determined that the subject project is a continuation of an existing project approved on December 10, 2012 (Report No. 12-325) that is exempted from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article III, Section 1, Class 3(6), Class 4(1,3), Class 11(3) of the City CEQA Guidelines, and Article 19, Section 15325, Class 25(f) of the State CEQA Guidelines. The current Board action is consistent with the existing CEQA exemption and the project will not result in any additional environmental impacts. No additional CEQA documentation is required.

### FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

The estimated annual maintenance costs for the park, including the costs for part-time staff, materials and supplies, is \$25,000.00.

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