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 an estimated value of up to Thirty-Nine Thousand, Six Hundred Sixty Dollars ($39,660.00), to benefit adults ages eighteen (18) to twenty-five (25), and direct that appropriate recognition be given to the donor; and,

2. Direct RAP's Chief Accounting Employee to deposit the funds received from LACF for the Program in the amount of Twenty-Three Thousand, Six Hundred Twenty-Two Dollars ($23,622.00) 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 Thirty-nine Thousand, Six Hundred Sixty Dollars ($39,660.00) for support of the Program. The donation consist of in-kind support in the form of uniforms, awards, a Job Fair, and other program related activities with an estimated value of Sixteen Thousand Thirty-Eight Dollars ($16,038.00). In addition, up to Twenty-Three Thousand, Six Hundred Twenty-Two Dollars ($23,622.00) 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-nine (29) 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 late March and concludes mid-June, with Championship Game Day Activities that include a Job Fair and a three-point shooting contest. Westchester Recreation Center and El Sereno Recreation Center serve as the host sites, with over one hundred forty (140) young adults participating from the following Recreation Centers: Costello, El Sereno, Green Meadows, Jim Gilliam, Mt. Carmel, Montecito Heights, Ramon Garcia, Rancho Cienega, Ross Synder, St Andrews, Trinity, and Westchester.

The Assistant General Manager, Recreational Services Branch, and Superintendents alike support the Program and concur with 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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