BOARD REPORT

DATE ______January 21, 2021______

BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

SUBJECT: PROPOSITION 68 SPECIFIED – RHODES PARK (AKA VALLEY PLAZA PARK) PROJECT) (PRJ21331) – STATE CONTRACT AMENDMENT (STATE CONTRACT NO. C5053013) ACCEPTANCE

AP Diaz ______ M. Rudnick ______
H. Fujita ______ C. Santo Domingo ______
J. Kim ______ *N. Williams ______

Approved ______ X ______ Disapproved ______ Withdrawn ______

If Approved: Board President _______ Board Secretary _______

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Approve the amendment to correct the Proposition 68 (Prop 68) grant liquidation date from June 30, 2023 to June 30, 2022 for the Specified Rhodes Park (AKA Valley Plaza Park) (PRJ21331) Project (Project); and

2. Authorize the Department of Recreation and Parks' (RAP) General Manager, or designee, to execute the Prop 68 Grant Agreement Amendment No. 1 (State Contract No. C5053013) for the proposed Project as set forth in Attachment 1 of this Report, subject to approval by the City Attorney as to form.

SUMMARY

On June 5, 2018, Proposition 68 was passed by California state voters to fund a $4.1 billion "California Drought, Water, Parks, Climate, Coastal Protection, and Outdoor for All Act of 2018" (Prop 68). Prop 68 is intended to fund state and local parks, beaches, environmental protection and restoration, water infrastructure, and flood protection projects.

In early July 2019, the State notified RAP that through the State budget process, Prop 68 Specified Grant funds had been earmarked for one City of Los Angeles project through the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 California State budget process. The State awarded RAP a Prop 68 Grant Contract for $485,000 to construct walking path, outdoor fitness equipment, smart irrigation system, refurbished turf areas and landscaping, shade trees, benches, solar trash receptacles, and drinking fountains at Rhodes Park (AKA Valley Plaza Park) (PRJ21331) (Report No. 19-243, December 18, 2019).
On October 13, 2020, the State notified RAP that the Prop 68 Specified Contract No. C5052013 had the wrong State Fund and Account numbers. A new State Contract No. C5053013 was issued and executed on November 6, 2020 (Report No. 20-210, November 5, 2020). The new Prop 68 Specified Contract for the Project had a new contract number with the correct State Fund and Account number and a new grant liquidation date of June 30, 2023, instead of June 30, 2022. The grant amount remained the same at $485,000.

On December 23, 2020, the State notified RAP that due to an error in the budget process, the contract extending the liquidation date to June 30, 2023 was issued in error. The State issued RAP Amendment No. 1 to Contract No. C5053013 to correct the contract liquidation date back to its original date of June 30, 2022. The terms and conditions of the contract remain the same except for the liquidation date.

Since this project funding is from the State General Fund, the State requested that the Contract Amendment be returned as soon as possible or before January 22, 2021, whichever comes first. RAP has already spent approximately $219,131 of the grant.

TREES AND SHADE

Twenty-three (23) 36" Texas Red Oak (Quercus Shermadii) have been approved (Report No. 20-142, July 16, 2020) for planting as part of the Project.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) analysis for the Project, consisting of new landscaping and tree planting, installation of a new walking path, installation of a new irrigation system and installation of accessory structures (fitness equipment), was completed as part of a previous related approval (Report No. 20-142, July 16, 2020).

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no anticipated fiscal impact to RAP’s General Fund. The State Contract Amendment No. 1 is for $485,000.

STRATEGIC PLAN INITIATIVES AND GOALS

Approval of this Board Report advances RAP’s Strategic Plan by supporting:

Goal No. 1: Provide Safe and Accessible Parks
Outcome No. 1: Every Angeleno has walkable access to a park in their neighborhood.
Key Metric: Percentage of Angelenos with park access within a ½ mile radius of their home.

Target: 60% by 2023

Result: The improvements to this parcel of land will provide the approximately 8,900 residents in the ½ mile radius of the proposed Rhodes Park with improved access to recreational activities.

This report was prepared by Kai Wong, Senior Project Coordinator, Grants Administration, Finance Division, and reviewed by Bill Jones, Chief Management Analyst, Grants Administration, Finance Division.

LIST OF ATTACHMENTS

1) Proposition 68 Specified Contract Amendment No.1 – Rhodes Park (Contract No. C5053013)
AMENDMENT TO CONTRACT

Contract No. C5053013 Amendment No. 1

THIS AMENDMENT is hereby made and agreed upon by the State of California, acting through the Director of the Department of Parks and Recreation and by the City of Los Angeles

The State and City of Los Angeles in mutual consideration of the promises made herein and in the contract in which this is an amendment, do promise as follows:

This amendment changes the liquidation date from 6/30/2023 to the legislatively specified date of 6/30/2022. The performance period of this contract is 7/1/2019 through 6/30/2022.

In all other respects, the contract of which this is an amendment, and the terms and conditions if relevant thereto, shall remain in full force and effect. In witness whereof the parties hereto have executed this amendment as of the date entered below.

Applicant: City of Los Angeles

By ________________________________  By ________________________________
Title General Manager, Executive Officer, Assistant General Manager
Applicant’s Authorized Representative as shown in Resolution

Date ________________________________

CERTIFICATION OF FUNDING (FOR STATE USE ONLY)

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