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SUBJECT: AMENDMENT OF PREVIOUS BOARD ACTIONS REGARDING REPORTING REQUIREMENTS FOR TEMPORARY HOMELESS SHELTER PROJECTS LOCATED AT NORTH HOLLYWOOD RECREATION CENTER, LAFAYETTE PARK, ARROYO SECO PARK, AND EAGLE ROCK RECREATION CENTER

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B. Jones _____ * C. Santo Domingo  _____

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General Manager

Approved X

Disapproved _____

Withdrawn _____

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Amend Recommendation No. 4 of Board Reports No. 24-206, No. 24-277, No. 25-016, and No. 25-017 previously adopted by the Board of Recreation and Parks Commissioners (Board) to modify reporting requirements so that Recommendation No. 4 for each report is restated in full as follows in quotation marks: "Direct Department of Recreation and Parks (RAP) staff to include provisions in any ROE permit issued pursuant to this Report that requires the City Administrative Officer (CAO) to provide the Board with a written and verbal report with performance review information of the Project annually as part of a consolidated report that addresses all active interim housing programs on RAP property. The report data shall be drawn from information and metrics already collected, including, but not limited to the number of client intakes, the number of client exits, the number of client housing placements, shelter occupancy, and other pertinent information requested by RAP"; and,
2. Authorize RAP's General Manager, or designee, to make technical corrections as necessary to carry out the intent of this Report.

SUMMARY

Previously, in response to the Mayor's declaration of local housing and homelessness emergency, the Board approved temporary homeless shelter projects at various RAP facilities, including: North Hollywood Recreation Center, Arroyo Seco Park, Lafayette Park and Eagle Rock Recreation Center (collectively, RAP Sites).

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As part of the most recent Board reports for these four RAP Sites, (Report Nos. 24-206, 24-277, 25-016, 25-017) the Board approved recommendations that directed RAP staff to include in the ROE permits for each of these RAP Sites a requirement that the CAO provide to the Board a written and verbal report with performance review information for each shelter site every six months.

In discussions with the CAO, the CAO identified various administrative burdens in providing stand-alone reports every six months for each individual site. The CAO has requested that they be permitted to provide one comprehensive annual report that will provide performance review information on all the homeless shelter projects/facilities operating on RAP property.

Based on discussions with CAO staff, RAP staff anticipates that the proposed annual report from the CAO would provide the necessary information to sufficiently inform the Board on the performance of the homeless shelter projects/facilities operating on RAP property while reducing the administrative burdens on the CAO.

Upon approval of this Report, RAP will amend the previously authorized ROE permits for the RAP Sites to require the CAO to provide an annual written and verbal report to the Board on all homeless shelter projects/facilities operating on RAP property. The provisions of the ROE permits shall remain enforceable solely at the discretion of RAP.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

The proposed Board action consists of reducing the frequency of reporting, included in the approval of the installation of a bridge home and tiny village sites (homeless mitigation projects) on park property.

The Board has exempted the installation of homeless mitigation project from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) based on existing statutory exemption specific to homeless mitigation projects and on exemptions that rely on the status of emergency declared by the Mayor on July 7, 2023. A change of the reporting frequency does not affect the nature of the projects or the conditions of the emergency, therefore does not change the rationale for exempting the projects.

Furthermore, Article 5, Section 15378 of California CEQA Guidelines define a project subject to CEQA as the whole of an action which has a potential for resulting in either a direct physical change in the environment, or a reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment, when it is directly undertaken by a public agency, or requires approval or funding by a public agency.

The change to reporting requirements does not have a potential for resulting in direct or indirect physical change on the environment.

Based on these considerations, staff recommends that the Board take make no CEQA determination on this action.

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FISCAL IMPACT

Approval of this Report will have no fiscal impact on RAP's General Fund. RAP is not responsible for any costs associated with the operation or maintenance of the Shelter.

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