

CITY OF LONG BEACH

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, RECREATION & MARINE



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April 1, 2008

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL City of Long Beach California

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt the revised Resolution to authorize the City Manager to submit a grant application to the California Department of Parks and Recreation for the Habitat Conservation Fund Program for the West San Gabriel River Parkway project. (District 5)

DISCUSSION

On September 18, 2007 (attached), the City Council adopted Resolution RES-07-0127 authorizing the City Manager to apply for grant funding for the West San Gabriel River Parkway Project for the restoration of habitat areas along the San Gabriel River with funding from the Habitat Conservation Fund Program (HCF).

Recently, the California Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) reviewed all submitted grant applications for sufficiency. Upon review of the grant application and Resolution submitted by the City of Long Beach (City), a discrepancy was identified in the Resolution. The DPR has requested the City submit a revised Resolution to include the following provisions:

- "Section 4. Certifies that said Applicant shall prepare, with full public participation, a management plan for lands that have been acquired with HCF funds, which plan shall reasonably reduce possible conflicts with neighboring land use and landowners, including agriculturists."
- "Section 7. Certifies that said Applicant agrees to comply with all applicable federal, state and local laws, ordinances, rules, regulations and guidelines."

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The revised Resolution, as prepared by the City Attorney's Office, is attached. Upon City Council approval, City staff will forward the revised Resolution to the DPR. It is expected that a representative from the DPR will contact the Department of Parks, Recreation and Marine for project site visits, with grant funding announced by June 2008.

Deputy City Attorney Gary Anderson reviewed this matter and prepared the attached Resolution on March 18, 2008, and Budget Management Officer Victoria Bell reviewed this matter on March 20, 2008.

TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action to approve the revised Resolution is requested on April 1, 2008, in order for the grant application to remain eligible.

FISCAL IMPACT

Approval of the recommendation will have no fiscal impact.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

PHIL T. HESTER

DIRECTOR OF PARKS, RECREATION AND MARINE

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Attachment: September 18, 2007 City Council letter

Resolution

APPROVED:

PATRICK H. WEST CITY MANAGER



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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, RECREATION & MARINE

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September 18, 2007

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL City of Long Beach California

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt a Resolution to authorize the City Manager to submit a grant application to the California Department of Parks and Recreation, through the Habitat Conservation Fund program, in the amount of \$280,440 for the West San Gabriel River Parkway project; and, execute any documents necessary for the implementation and administration of the project at a total cost of \$560,880. (District 5)

DISCUSSION

The Department of Parks, Recreation and Marine has identified a grant opportunity for funding of habitat and open space development through the California Department of Parks and Recreation, Habitat Conservation Fund (HCF) program. The HCF program provides funding to local governments annually under the California Wildlife Protection Act of 1990, Proposition 117. Funds are available for programs that bring urban residents into park and wildlife areas, and for programs that provide for the interpretation of the State's park and wildlife resources.

The West San Gabriel River Parkway will be a walking trail through the area between Spring Street and Atherton Street and between the west levee of the San Gabriel River and the El Dorado Golf Course, along with access trails through El Dorado Park. The City of Long Beach has received \$614,000 from the San Gabriel and Lower Los Angeles Rivers and Mountains Conservancy for construction of a walking trail between Spring Street and Willow Street, the first phase of this \$2.3 million project. HCF program funds will enable the City to complete Phase I of the project with habitat creation in the areas around the trail. Habitat will consist of California native landscaping, including trees, shrubs, and grassland, and an irrigation system to be used for plant establishment and during periods of drought thereafter. As a condition of the HCF grant, the City is required to provide 50 percent matching funds.

Deputy City Attorney Gary J. Anderson reviewed this matter and prepared the attached Resolution on September 7, 2007, and Budget and Performance Management Bureau Manager David Wodynski reviewed this matter on September 10, 2007.

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TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action is requested on September 18, 2007, as the grant application is due in Sacramento, California on October 1, 2007.

FISCAL IMPACT

The total project cost is estimated at \$560,880. If funded, the grant monies will offset \$280,440 of the project development costs. The City's 50 percent match from Park Impact Fees in the FY 2009 Capital Projects Fund budget will fund the remaining \$280,440. If the grant is awarded by the State, the Department of Parks, Recreation and Marine will request City Council approval to accept and appropriate the funds.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendations.

Respectfully submitted,

PHIL T. HESTER

DIRECTOR OF PARKS, RECREATION AND MARINE

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Attachment: Resolution

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CITY MANAGER

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RESOLUTION NO.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LONG BEACH AMENDING AND RESCINDING RESOLUTION NO. RES-07-0127 AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO SUBMIT A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE **CALIFORNIA** DEPARTMENT OF **PARKS** AND RECREATION, THROUGH THE **HABITAT** CONSERVATION **FUND PROGRAM FOR** THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE WEST SAN GABRIEL RIVER PARKWAY PROJECT.

The City Council of the City of Long Beach resolves as follows:

WHEREAS, the people of the State of California have enacted the California Wildlife Protection Act of 1990, which provides funds to the State of California for grants to local agencies to acquire and/or develop facilities for public recreational and fish and wildlife habitat protection purposes; and

WHEREAS, the State Department of Parks and Recreation ("Department") has been delegated the responsibility for the administration of the HCF Program, including the establishment of necessary procedures for applications by local agencies; and

WHEREAS, said procedures established by the State Department of Parks and Recreation require the Applicant to certify by resolution the approval of Application(s) before submission of said Application(s) to the State; and

WHEREAS, the Applicant will enter into a Contract with the State of California to complete the Project(s);

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the City Council of the City of

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following vote:								
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Noes:	Councilmembers:						·	
Absent:	Councilmembers:							
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