



# CITY OF LONG BEACH

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, RECREATION & MARINE

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April 23, 2013

## HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

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### RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize the City Manager to accept a total of \$38,544 in grant funding, awarded by the Long Beach Navy Memorial Heritage Association, for the restoration of the Long Beach Navy Memorial in Shoreline Park; execute any documents necessary for the administration of the project; and increase appropriations in the Capital Projects Fund (CP) in the Department of Parks, Recreation and Marine (PR) by \$38,544. (District 2)

### DISCUSSION

For most of the 20<sup>th</sup> Century, the United States Navy had a compelling presence in the City of Long Beach. From 1919, when Long Beach was named homeport for the Navy's very first Pacific Fleet, to 1940, with a full-scale naval base, including a shipyard, naval hospital, and a naval air station, Long Beach was the focal point for the Navy in the southwestern United States. In 1997, the naval facilities closed and naval activities ceased in Long Beach.

In the year 2000, a local artist was commissioned by the Long Beach Navy Memorial Heritage Association (Association) to design a memorial to commemorate the United States Navy's presence and history in Long Beach. In July 2004, the Long Beach Navy Memorial (Memorial) was dedicated in the southwest portion of Shoreline Park (Attachment A). The Memorial includes a 15-foot high armillary sphere displaying images of naval history in Long Beach, a ship mast, an anchor, and a walkway comprised of dedicated brick pavers and a compass rose (Attachment B). The Memorial was constructed with funding from the Association and the City of Long Beach.

Over the years, the salt air, general wear and tear, and some vandalism to the Memorial have necessitated the refurbishment and restoration of the armillary sphere, ship mast, and brick walkway.

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On December 4, 2012, the City Council authorized the Department of Parks, Recreation and Marine (PRM) to apply to the Association for grant funding in the amount of \$38,544 in order to restore the Memorial. Recently, PRM was notified of the grant award.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Gary J. Anderson on March 27, 2013, and Budget Management Officer Victoria Bell on April 3, 2013.

TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action is requested on April 23, 2013, in order to allow timely execution of the grant agreement.

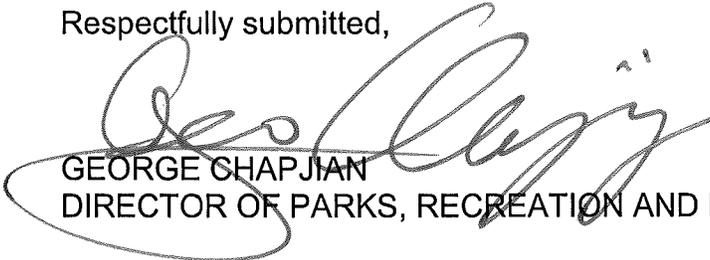
FISCAL IMPACT

As the award of this grant is not currently budgeted, an appropriation increase is requested in the Capital Projects Fund (CP) in the Department of Parks, Recreation and Marine (PR) in the amount of \$38,544. City staff time for eligible project management costs will be charged directly to the project. The final project cost estimate does not require \$1,000 of in-kind staff time, as was originally anticipated at the time City Council authorized the grant application on December 4, 2012. There is no impact to jobs associated with the recommended action.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,



GEORGE CHAPJIAN  
DIRECTOR OF PARKS, RECREATION AND MARINE

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Attachments

APPROVED:



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PATRICK H. WEST  
CITY MANAGER

# Long Beach Navy Memorial At Shoreline Park



## LONG BEACH NAVY MEMORIAL RESTORATION Shoreline Park



### **Armillary Sphere**

Damage to five of the enamel panels.

The five panels will be replaced with replica panels with the original artwork.

## View of the Ship Mast



Ship mast will be rigged with new rope and the rusted areas sanded, primed and the mast repainted.

## Walkway and Compass Rose



Close up view of sunken bricks creating a trip hazard

