

Building A Better Long Beach

October 18, 2010

REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY BOARD MEMBERS City of Long Beach California

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve and authorize the Executive Director to amend the contract with Yakar Corporation in an amount not to exceed \$50,000 for the construction of Rosa Parks Park. (Central – District 6)

DISCUSSION

On January 4, 2010, the Redevelopment Agency (Agency) Board approved a construction contract (Contract) with Yakar Corporation for the construction of Rosa Parks Park (Park), an 11,318-square-foot passive park located at the intersection of 15th Street and Alamitos Avenue, in an amount not to exceed \$243,188. The Park improvements include a walking path, benches and a bus plaza waiting area.

During the course of construction, the contractor discovered a number of unforeseen site conditions such as abandoned underground foundations and I-beams that required removal and a number of field changes resulting in contract change orders. In addition, Long Beach Transit has directed that security lighting be added to the bus stop plaza to provide for an enhanced pedestrian experience. Even though Long Beach Transit will reimburse the Agency for the lighting, this change order impacts the overall project Contract.

In order to complete construction of the Park, staff recommends increasing the construction contract with Yakar Corporation in an amount not to exceed \$50,000 for a total contract amount of \$243,188. Of the \$50,000 contract increase, Long Beach Transit will be reimbursing the Agency \$39,719 for the added security lighting.

Construction of the Park is anticipated to be completed in December 2010. Upon construction completion, the Department of Parks, Recreation and Marine will be responsible for the maintenance of the Park.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

AMY J. BODEK

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

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