

CITY OF LONG BEACH

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, RECREATION & MARINE



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August 19, 2014

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL City of Long Beach California

RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize the City Manager to accept a total of \$553,050 in Housing-Related Parks Program grant funds, awarded by the California Department of Housing and Community Development, for the replacement of the playground and the rehabilitation of park amenities and park grounds at MacArthur Park; execute any documents necessary for the administration of the project; and increase appropriations in the Capital Projects Fund (CP) in the Public Works Department (PW) by \$553,050. (District 6)

DISCUSSION

On November 7, 2006, California voters passed the Housing and Emergency Trust Fund Act of 2006 (Proposition 1C) to provide low-cost housing for needy families, seniors, and military veterans, as well as shelters for battered women. Subsequent enabling legislation authorized \$200 million in Proposition 1C grant funding for the Housing-Related Parks Program (HRP Program), which is administered by the California Department of Housing and Community Development. The HRP Program creates incentives and rewards local governments for building affordable housing with grant money to fund much-needed parks in their communities. Grant awards are based on the number of bedrooms in newly constructed ownership and the rehabilitation of rental housing units that are classified as being affordable to very low-income and low-income households. Applicants may be eligible for bonus funding for units developed as infill projects and for park projects that will serve disadvantaged communities. Grant funds may be used for the creation, development, or rehabilitation of park and recreation facilities.

On January 7, 2014, the City Council authorized the Department of Parks, Recreation and Marine (PRM), in partnership with the Development Services Department, to apply for grant funding through the HRP Program for the replacement of the playground and the rehabilitation of park amenities and park grounds at MacArthur Park (attached). Recently, PRM was notified of the award of grant funding in the amount of \$553,050 for this project.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Kendra L. Carney on July 29, 2014, and by Budget Management Officer Victoria Bell on July 30, 2014.

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TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action is requested on August 19, 2014, in order to allow timely execution of the grant contract.

FISCAL IMPACT

As the award of the grant funding is not currently budgeted, an appropriation increase in the amount of \$553,050 is requested in the Capital Projects Fund (CP) in the Public Works Department (PW) for the rehabilitation of MacArthur Park. The grant does not require matching funds or in-kind services. City staff time directly related to project management can be charged directly to the project; however, City administrative costs are not eligible for reimbursement. It is estimated that the rehabilitation of MacArthur Park will result in reduced maintenance and utility costs. There is no impact to jobs associated with the recommended action.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE CHAPJIAN

DIRECTOR OF PARKS, REPREATION AND MARINE

AMY BODEK

DIRECTOR OF DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

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DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS

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APPROVED:

PA∕TRICK H. WEST CITY MANAGER



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January 7, 2014

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL City of Long Beach California

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt the attached Resolution authorizing the City Manager to submit a grant application to the California Department of Housing and Community Development, through the Housing-Related Parks Program, for the replacement of the playground, and the rehabilitation of park amenities and park grounds at MacArthur Park, at an estimated total project cost of \$584,250. (District 6)

DISCUSSION

On November 7, 2006, California voters passed the Housing and Emergency Trust Fund Act of 2006 (Proposition 1C) to provide low-cost housing for needy families, seniors, and military veterans, as well as shelters for battered women. Subsequent enabling legislation authorized \$200 million in Proposition 1C grant funding for the Housing-Related Parks Program (HRP Program), which is administered by the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD). The HRP Program creates incentives and rewards local governments for building affordable housing with grant money to fund much-needed parks in their communities. Grant awards are based on the number of bedrooms in newly constructed ownership and the rehabilitation of rental housing units that are classified as being affordable to very low-income and low-income households. Applicants may be eligible for bonus funding for units developed as infill projects and for park projects that will serve disadvantaged communities. Grant funds may be used for the creation, development, or rehabilitation of park and recreation facilities.

On October 2, 2013, HCD released a Notice of Funding Availability for the HRP Program for the 2013 round of funding. The Department of Parks, Recreation and Marine (PRM), with the assistance of the Development Services Department, is proposing to apply for \$584,250 in grant funding through the HRP Program for the replacement of the playground, the installation of fitness zone equipment, and the rehabilitation of park grounds and facilities at MacArthur Park, at an estimated total project cost of \$584,250. MacArthur Park has been identified as one of the most heavily utilized parks in the City. The playground was rehabilitated in 1995 and does not currently meet ADA compliance or playground safety standards. The heavy use has impacted maintenance resources and availability of amenities to the public. Additional

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investment in the park will help address the ongoing maintenance efforts and will enhance the overall recreational opportunities to the surrounding community.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Gary J. Anderson on December 19, 2013, and by Budget Management Officer Victoria Bell on December 20, 2013.

TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action is requested on January 7, 2014, in order to submit the grant application and Resolution to the California Department of Housing and Community Development in Sacramento by the grant application deadline of January 22, 2014.

FISCAL IMPACT

If awarded, \$584,250 in grant funds will offset the direct project costs. The grant does not require matching funds or in-kind services. City staff time directly related to project management can be charged directly to the project; however, City administrative costs are not eligible for reimbursement. Should the grant application be selected for funding, a recommendation will be made to the City Council to accept the grant and appropriate the funding. 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

AMY BODEK

DIRECTOR OF DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

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Attachment: Resolution

APPROVED:

OFFICE OF THE CITY ATTORNEY CHARLES PARKIN, City Attorney 333 West Ocean Boulevard, 11th Floor Long Beach, CA 90802-4664

RESOLUTION NO.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LONG BEACH AUTHORIZING APPLICATION FOR HOUSING RELATED PARKS GRANT FUNDS

WHEREAS, the State of California, Department of Housing and Community Development (Department) has issued a Notice of Funding Availability dated October 2, 2013 (NOFA) under its Housing Related Parks (HRP) Program; and

WHEREAS, City of Long Beach desires to apply for a HRP Program grant and submit the 2013 Designated Program Year Application Package released by the Department for the HRP Program; and

WHEREAS, the Department is authorized to approve funding allocations for the HRP Program, subject to the terms and conditions of the NOFA, Program Guidelines, Application Package, and Standard Agreement;

NOW, the City Council of the City of Long Beach resolves as follows:

Section 1. The City Manager of the City of Long Beach is hereby authorized and directed to apply for and submit to the Department the HRP Program Application Package released October 2013 for the 2013 Designated Program Year. If the application is approved, the City Manager is hereby authorized and directed to enter into, execute, and deliver a State of California Standard Agreement (Standard Agreement), and any and all other documents required or deemed necessary or appropriate to secure the HRP Program Grant from the Department, and all amendments thereto (collectively, the "HRP Grant Documents"); and

Section 2. The City of Long Beach shall be subject to the terms and conditions as specified in the Standard Agreement. Funds are to be used for allowable capital asset project expenditures to be identified in "Exhibit A" of the Standard Agreement. The application in full is incorporated as part of the Standard Agreement.

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by the City Council, and the City Clerk shall certify the vote adopting this resolution.											
I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the City											
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