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September 18, 2007

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HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL City of Long Beach California

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

Adopt a Resolution to authorize the City Manager to receive a \$680,000 grant from the California Cultural and Historical Endowment, under the California Clean Water, Clean Air, Safe Neighborhood Parks, and Coastal Protection Act of 2002, for construction of a Visitor Education Center at Rancho Los Cerritos Historic Site; increase appropriations in the Capital Project Fund (CP) in the amount of \$680,000 in the Department of Public Works (PW); and authorize the City Manager to execute any documents necessary for the implementation and administration of the project. (District 8)

### DISCUSSION

On January 24, 2006, the City Council approved an application to the California Cultural and Historical Endowment (Endowment) under the California Clean Water, Clean Air, Safe Neighborhood Parks, and Coastal Protection Act of 2002, for a grant towards construction of a Visitor Education Center at Rancho Los Cerritos Historic Site (Rancho). The application required a one-to-one match, which was provided by the Rancho Los Cerritos Foundation (Foundation) and through existing Rancho Los Cerritos Capital Project funds. On February 15, 2007, the Endowment awarded a grant of \$680,000.

The cost of the Visitor Education Center is estimated at \$2,004,668. The Foundation has raised \$989,206 for this project, and is continuing to raise funds for the Visitor Education Center and other Master Plan projects through a \$5 million capital campaign. Existing Rancho Los Cerritos Capital Project funds will also be applied towards this project.

The architectural firm, Heritage Architecture and Planning, has designed the Visitor Education Center in accordance with the Rancho Los Cerritos Master Plan, which was approved in concept by the City Council in November 2002. The Visitor Education Center will be a multi-use structure and include a fast-paced, educational video on the history of the site, plus interpretive exhibits to prepare visitors for living history tours of the Rancho. Gallery space will also be used to highlight the Rancho's collections and explore historical issues of contemporary interest. These varied interpretive methods will provide guests with a clear understanding of the Rancho's place within the context of Long Beach, early California, and United States history. The Visitor Education Center is a priority project within the Rancho Los Cerritos Master Plan, and construction is expected to begin in April 2008.

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This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Gary J. Anderson on September 7, 2007, and Performance Management Bureau Manager David Wodynski on September 10, 2007.

## **TIMING CONSIDERATIONS**

City Council action is requested on September 18, 2007, as the California Cultural and Historical Endowment wishes to finalize all outstanding grant agreements by September 27, 2007. Failure to approve a grant contract and authorizing a resolution by September 27, 2007, may jeopardize the grant funds.

## FISCAL IMPACT

To expend the grant funds, an increase in appropriations in the Capital Projects Fund (CP) in the amount of \$680,000 in the Department of Public Works (PW) is requested. The cost of the Visitor Education Center is estimated at \$2,004,668. In addition to the California Cultural and Historical Endowment grant of \$680,000, the Rancho Los Cerritos Foundation has raised \$989,206 for construction of the Center. The remaining balance of \$335,462, carryover funding from money allocated to this project in 2002, and earlier, was primarily from Park Impact Fees. These funds are currently budgeted in the Capital Projects Fund (CP) in the Department of Public Works (PW).

#### SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendations.

Respectfully submitted,

PHIL T. HESTER

DIRECTOR OF PARKS, RECREATION AND MARINE

CHRISTINE F. ANDERSEN

DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS

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Attachment: Resolution

APPROVED:

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HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL City of Long Beach California

#### RECOMMENDATION

A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Long Beach Approving the Grant Agreement for the California Cultural and Historical Endowment ("CCHE") under the California Clean Water, Clean Air, Safe Neighborhood Parks, and Coastal Protection Act of 2002.

#### DISCUSSION

Pursuant to your request of September 4, 2007, this office has prepared and submits the above-described resolution for your consideration.

#### SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Very truly yours,

ROBERT E. SHANNON, City Attorney

Bv:

Gary Anderson
Deputy City Attorney

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## RESOLUTION NO.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LONG BEACH APPROVING THE GRANT AGREEMENT FOR THE CALIFORNIA CULTURAL AND HISTORICAL ENDOWMENT ("CCHE") UNDER THE CALIFORNIA CLEAN WATER, CLEAN AIR, SAFE NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS, AND COASTAL PROTECTION ACT OF 2002.

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

WHEAREAS, the people of the State of California have enacted the California Clean Water, Clean Air, Safe Neighborhood Parks, and Coastal Protection Act of 2002, which provides funds to the State of California for the California Cultural and Historical Endowment (CCHE) Grant Program and;

WHEREAS, the California Cultural and Historical Endowment (CCHE) has been delegated the responsibility for the creation and administration of the Grant Agreement between City of Long Beach, "Grantee" and CCHE; and

WHEREAS, the Grant Agreement requires the Grantee to certify by resolution the approval of the Grant Agreement and its terms before execution of the Agreement; and

WHEREAS, upon execution of this Agreement and approval of its terms and conditions, Grantee will perform all of the tasks stated in the Agreement; and

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

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Absent: Councilmembers: City Clerk OFFICE OF THE CITY ATTORNEY ROBERT E. SHANNON, City Attorney 333 West Ocean Boulevard, 11th Floor Long Beach, CA 90802-4664 GA:lkm 9/7/07

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