

December 7, 2021

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HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
City of Long Beach
California

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager, or designee, to execute any necessary documents including subsequent amendments, to accept grant funds from the California Department of Parks and Recreation (California State Parks) in an amount not to exceed \$12,050,000, for capital improvements at Bixby, El Dorado, MacArthur, and Ramona Parks. (Districts 2, 5, 6 and 9)

DISCUSSION

The Fiscal Year 2022 State of California budget included a surplus projected at \$75.7 billion. Due to the State Appropriations Limit, certain revenues must be returned to taxpayers through direct payments and education spending. As a result, Senator Lena Gonzalez, Assembly Speaker Anthony Rendon, and Assemblymember Patrick O'Donnell requested and secured \$12,050,000 in allocations for park capital improvements. Park capital improvements are proposed for Bixby, El Dorado, MacArthur, and Ramona Parks.

Various improvements are proposed at the four park sites receiving allocations. Bixby Park will receive \$850,000 for improvements to be determined through a prioritization process. Preliminary recommendations include a splash pad, hydration stations, a basketball court, and a technology center/computer lab within the community recreation center. El Dorado Park will receive \$1.2 million for improvements to the youth softball and baseball fields and surrounding area. MacArthur Park will receive \$8.5 million to implement the MacArthur Park Vision Plan, which was received and filed by the City Council on July 16, 2019. Lastly, \$1.5 million will fund a signature playground to replace the existing playground at Ramona Park.

The California State Parks Office of Grants and Local Services will administer the state allocations as grants. Adopting a Resolution is the first step required to receive the funds. It is anticipated that the state contracts will be issued after January 1, 2022 and the grants will expire on June 30, 2024.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Anita Lakhani on November 5, 2021 and by Budget Analysis Officer Greg Sorensen on November 11, 2021.

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TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action is requested on December 7, 2021, to proceed with the grant agreements in January 2022.

FISCAL IMPACT

The City anticipates receiving grant funds in an amount not to exceed \$12,050,000, to complete capital projects at four park sites. No match or in-kind service mandate is required. Staff anticipate returning to the City Council in January 2022, when the grant contracts are received from California State Parks, to appropriate the grant funds. This recommendation has no staffing impact beyond the normal budgeted scope of duties and is consistent with existing City Council priorities. This recommendation will potentially result in a positive impact on jobs.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,



BRENT DENNIS
DIRECTOR OF PARKS, RECREATION AND MARINE



ERIC LOPEZ
DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS

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Attachment: Resolution

APPROVED:



THOMAS B. MODICA
CITY MANAGER

1 RESOLUTION NO.

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3 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE
4 CITY OF LONG BEACH APPROVING APPLICATIONS FOR
5 SPECIFIED GRANT FUNDS
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7 WHEREAS, the State Department of Parks and Recreation has been
8 delegated the responsibility by the Legislature of the State of California for the
9 administration of a grant to the City of Long Beach, setting up necessary procedures
10 governing applications; and

11 WHEREAS, said procedures established by the State Department of Parks
12 and Recreation require the City to certify by resolution the approval of project application(s)
13 before submission of said applications to the State; and

14 WHEREAS, the applicant will enter into a contract with the State of California
15 to complete projects.

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

18 Section 1. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption
19 by the City Council, and the City Clerk shall certify the vote adopting this resolution.

20 Section 2. Approves the filing of project application(s) for the grant project
21 at Bixby Park for \$850,000;

22 Section 3. Approves the filing of project application(s) for the grant project
23 at El Dorado Regional Park youth softball and baseball fields for \$1,200,000;

24 Section 4. Approves the filing of project application(s) for the grant project
25 at MacArthur Park rehabilitation for \$8,500,000;

26 Section 5. Approves the filing of project application(s) for the grant project
27 at Ramona Park Signature Playground for \$1,500,000.
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Section 6. Certifies that City has or will have available, prior to commencement of project work utilizing specified grant funds, sufficient funds, including those provided by this grant, to complete the project(s);

Section 7. Certifies that City has or will provide sufficient funds to operate and maintain the project(s);

Section 8. Certifies that City has reviewed, understands, and agrees to the General Provisions contained in the contract shown in the Grant Application Procedural Guide; and

Section 9. Delegates the authority to the City Manager, or designee to conduct all negotiations, sign and submit all documents, including, but not limited to applications, agreements, amendments, and payment requests, which may be necessary for the completion of the project scope(s); and

Section 10. Agrees to comply with all applicable federal, state and local laws, ordinances, rules, regulations and guidelines.

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the City Council of the City of Long Beach at its meeting of _____, 2021, by the following vote:

Ayes:	Councilmembers:	_____

Noes:	Councilmembers:	_____

Absent:	Councilmembers:	_____

Recusal(s):	Councilmembers:	_____

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