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January 17, 2023

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 \$15,400,000, for capital improvements at El Dorado East Regional, El Dorado Park West, Houghton, and Stearns Parks. (Districts 4, 9)

DISCUSSION

The Fiscal Year 2022 State of California budget included a surplus. Due to the State Appropriations Limit, certain revenues must be returned to taxpayers through direct payments and education spending. As a result, Assembly Speaker Anthony Rendon and Assemblymember Patrick O'Donnell requested and secured \$15,400,000 in allocations for park capital improvements. Assemblymember Gipson is the new representative for Houghton Park due to the recent redistricting effort. Park capital improvements are proposed for El Dorado East Regional, El Dorado West, Houghton, and Stearns Parks.

Various improvements are proposed at the four park sites receiving allocations. El Dorado East Regional Park will receive \$10.2 million for improvements to be determined through a prioritization process. Preliminary recommendations include improvements to vehicle and pedestrian paths. El Dorado Park West is also slated to receive \$1.6 million for improvements to the youth softball and baseball fields. Houghton Park will receive \$2 million towards a signature playground. Lastly, \$1.6 million will fund softball and baseball field improvements at Stearns 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 for to receive these funds. It is anticipated that the state contracts will be issued after March 1, 2023. The work on each of these projects will be programmed for completion by December 1, 2025, as the grants will expire on June 31, 2026.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Anita Lakhani on December 16, 2022 and by Budget Analysis Officer Greg Sorensen on December 14, 2022.

TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action is requested on January 17, 2023, to proceed with the grant agreements in March 2023.

FISCAL IMPACT

The City anticipates receiving grant funds in an amount not to exceed \$15,400,000, to complete capital projects at four parks. No match or in-kind service mandate is required. Staff anticipate returning to the City Council when the grant contracts are received from the 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
PARKS, RECREATION AND MARINE

APPROVED:



THOMAS B. MODICA
CITY MANAGER

Attachment: Resolution

RESOLUTION NO.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF LONG BEACH APPROVING APPLICATIONS FOR
SPECIFIED GRANT FUNDS FROM THE CALIFORNIA
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION IN AN
AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$15,400,000 FOR CAPITAL
IMPROVEMENTS AT EL DORADO EAST REGIONAL, EL
DORADO PARK WEST, HOUGHTON, AND STEARNS
PARKS

WHEREAS, the State Department of Parks and Recreation has been
delegated the responsibility by the Legislature of the State of California for the
administration of a grant to the City of Long Beach (the "Applicant" or the "City"), setting up
necessary procedures governing the applications; and

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

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

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

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

Section 2. Approves the filing of project application(s) for the grant project
at Stearns Park softball and baseball field for \$1,600,000;

Section 3. Approves the filing of project application(s) for the grant project
at Houghton Park Youth signature playground for \$2,000,000;

1 Section 4. Approves the filing of project application(s) for the grant project
2 at El Dorado East Regional Park for \$10,200,000;

3 Section 5. Approves the filing of project application(s) for the grant project
4 at El Dorado Park West softball and baseball fields for \$1,600,000.

5 Section 6. Certifies that City has or will have available, prior to
6 commencement of project work utilizing grant funds, sufficient funds, including those
7 provided by this grant, to complete the project(s);

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

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

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

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

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I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the City Council
of the City of Long Beach at its meeting of _____, 202__ by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers: _____

Noes: Councilmembers: _____

Absent: Councilmembers: _____

City Clerk