



# CITY OF LONG BEACH

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, RECREATION & MARINE

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### RECOMMENDATION:

Recommend to the City Manager the approval of a Tot Lot as an improvement for public recreation at Promenade Square Park, which meets a recreational need within the City. (District 2)

### DISCUSSION

In 2013, the Promenade Area Residents Association (PARA) approached the City of Long Beach with a recommendation to build a Tot Lot at Promenade Square Park, located at 1<sup>st</sup> Street and The Promenade in Downtown Long Beach (Attachment 1). PARA advocated that there are many growing families in downtown, with the nearest playground involving a drive in a car or a very long walk, and advocated for the first playground in downtown Long Beach.

While funding was not available for this project, the City supported PARA's efforts to fundraise necessary funds for the project. PARA received several letters of support for the project and initiated fundraising activities. PARA conducted a community process to build support for a Tot Lot, including a survey where a majority of the 450 participants indicated they were in favor of a Tot Lot being added to Promenade Square Park.

PARA worked with a playground design company and the community to establish the design and layout for the Tot Lot. The proposed Tot Lot features a fun, but sophisticated design to match the present design elements of the park and The Promenade, and includes a slide, several climbing structures and climbing rocks, a bench and playground safety surfacing. (Attachment 2).

The Parks and Recreation Commission recommends to the City Manager plans for the development, beautification and maintenance of public-park and recreational areas, so Commission support of the proposed improvements is requested.

### FISCAL IMPACT

The recommended action would use \$75,000 in City funds, \$75,000 from Council District 2 one-time infrastructure funds, \$17,445 from Supervisor Knabe, \$10,000 from the Downtown Long Beach Business Association, and \$12,300 from the Promenade Area Residents

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Association, totaling \$189,746, which would be sufficient to cover installation costs for the Tot Lot. There will be ongoing costs estimated at close to \$2,500 annually related to maintenance, which will be requested by the Department as part of the FY17 budget process.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve Recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,



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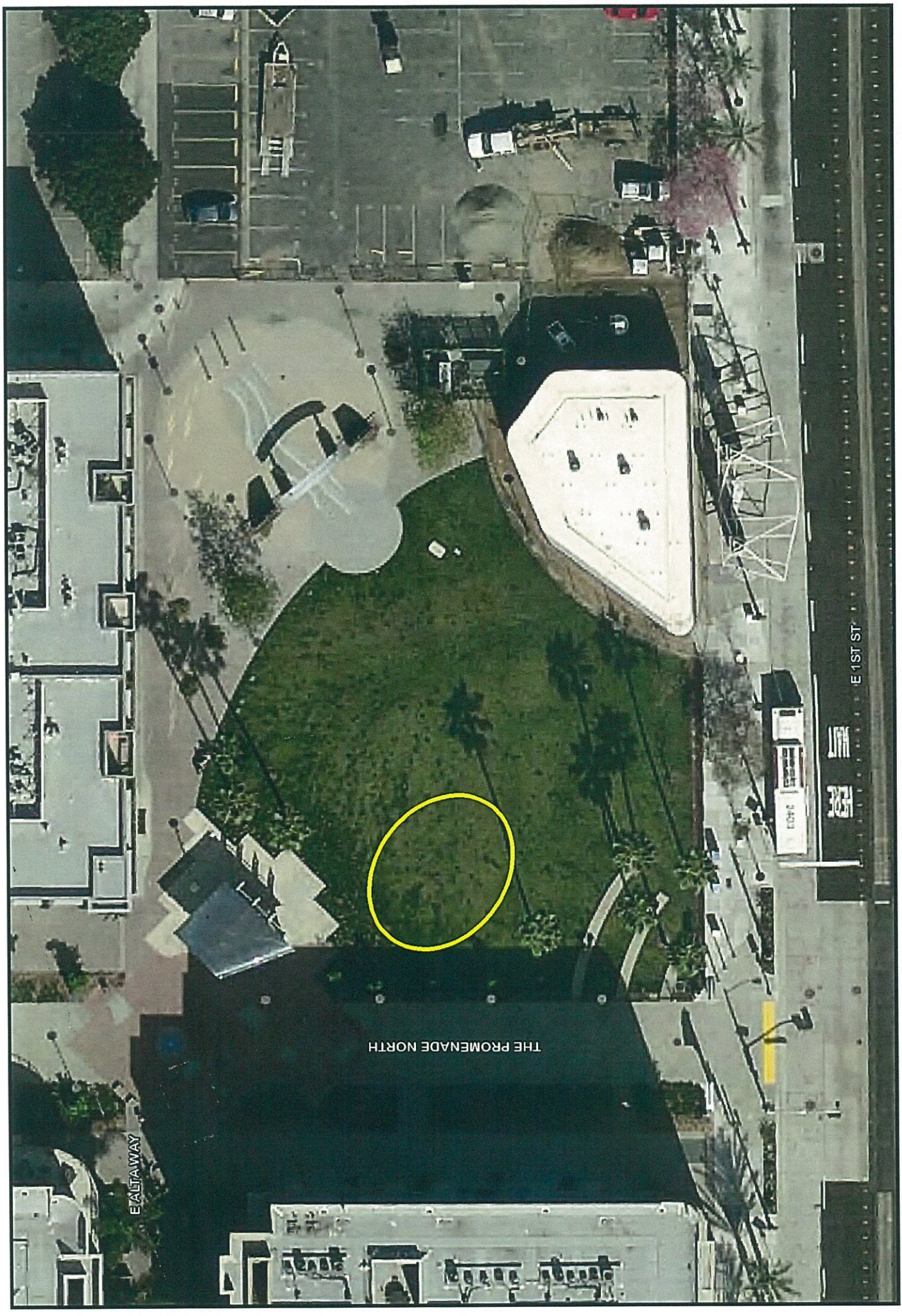


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ATT: 1 – Aerial of Premade Square Park  
2 – Depiction of Proposed Park Elements

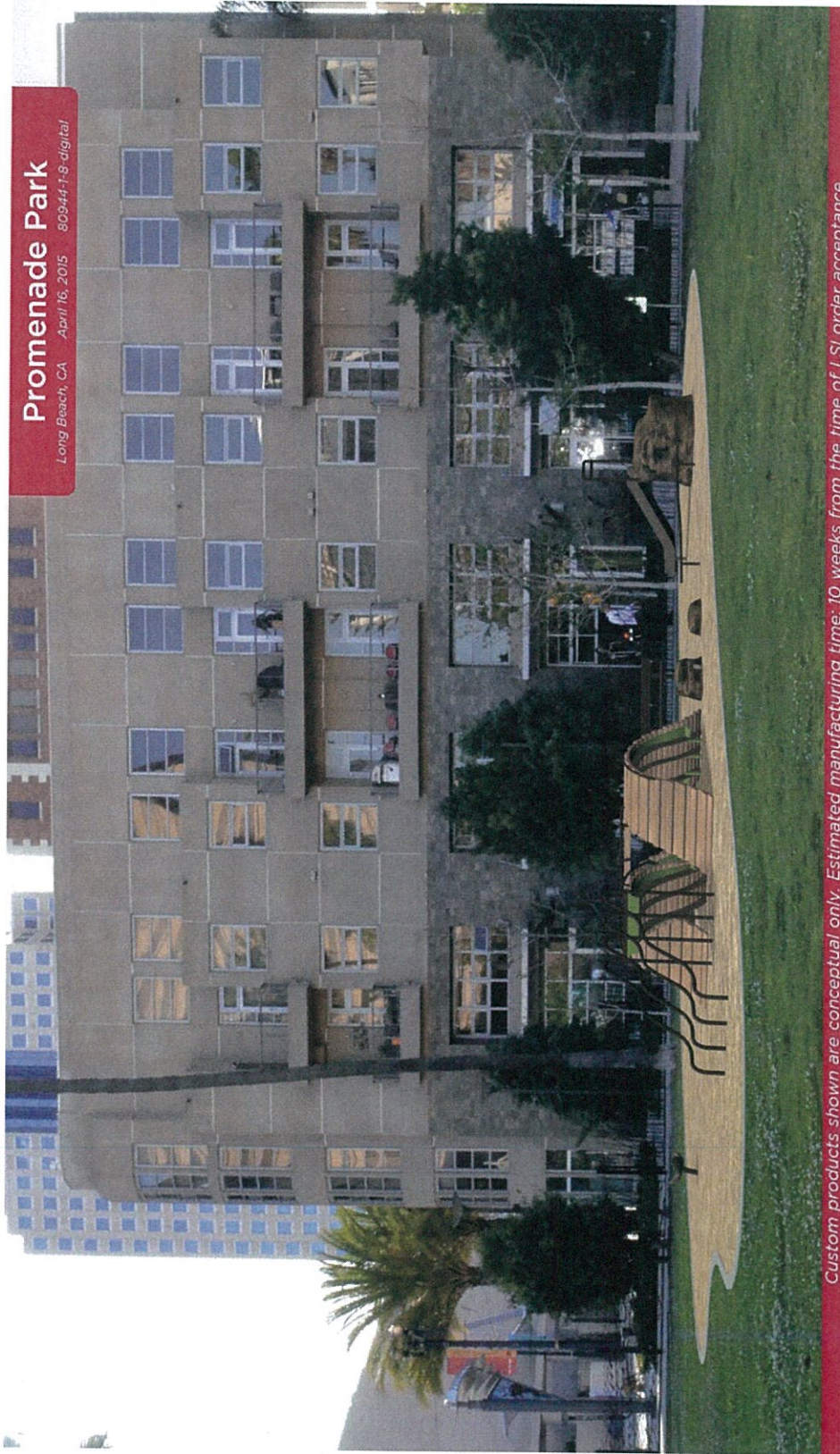




# Promenade Square Potential Tot Lot







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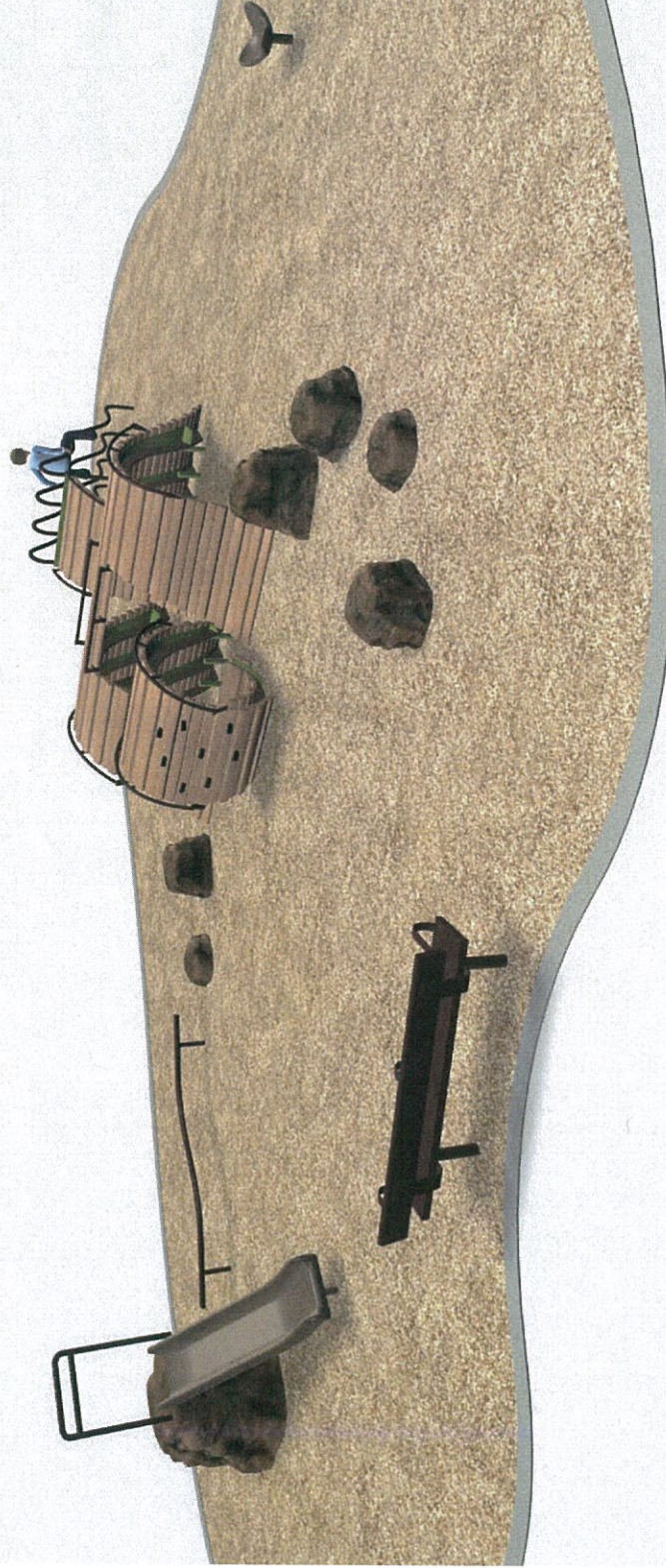
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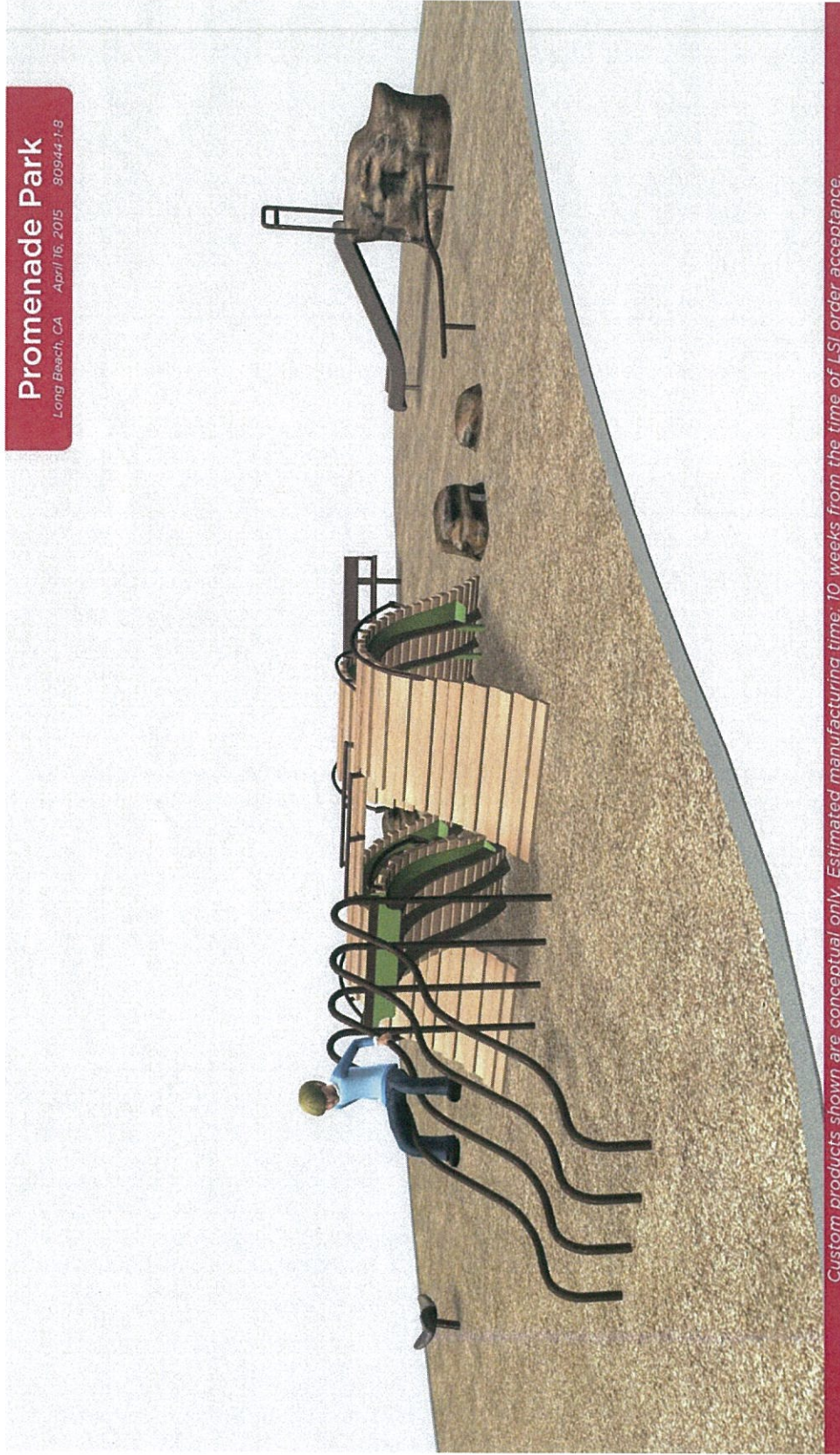
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