

# CITY OF LONG BEACH

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, RECREATION & MARINE

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February 16, 2010

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 California State Parks through the Statewide Park Development and Community Revitalization Program of 2008, for the development of a new mini park at 851 Orange Avenue, at a total estimated cost of \$722,465. (District 1)

## DISCUSSION

On November 7, 2006, California voters passed Proposition 84, the \$54 billion Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality and Supply, Flood Control, River and Coastal Protection Bond Act of 2006, to provide capital funding for water quality and park programs. Subsequent enabling legislation authorized \$368 million in Proposition 84 grant funding for the Statewide Park Development and Community Revitalization Program of 2008 (Park Development Program).

The Department of Parks, Recreation and Marine (PRM) is proposing to apply for \$722,465 in grant funding through the Park Development Program for the development of a new 0.3-acre mini park at 851 Orange Avenue. The proposed mini park is the former location of an apartment building that was acquired by the Long Beach Redevelopment Agency (RDA), which was razed due to a combination of illegal activity and neglect to the structure. For many years, the community has requested that a park be constructed in this park-deficient neighborhood, and the RDA identified this site as a good location for a new mini park. Due to its small size and linear nature, the site is only suitable for passive recreational activities, such as picnicking, a children's play area, and for enjoying the outdoors with friends and neighbors. Through a partnership between the City and RDA, several public meetings were held so that the community could select the design and amenities for the proposed mini park (Attachment A). Currently, there are only 0.11 park acres per 1,000 residents within one-half mile of the site, which is far below the Citywide goal of eight acres of open space per 1,000 residents. A mini park at this location will provide a great benefit to this community. An aerial map of this location is attached (Attachment B).

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Gary J. Anderson on January 25, 2010, and Budget and Performance Management Bureau Manager David Wodynski on January 28, 2010.

TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action is requested on February 16, 2010, in order to submit the grant application to California State Parks by their due date of March 1, 2010.

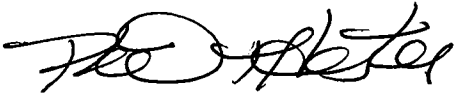
FISCAL IMPACT

The total direct cost of the project is estimated at \$722,465. Grant monies will offset 100 percent of the direct project development costs. Future annual park maintenance costs provided by PRM's landscape contractor are estimated to be \$3,500, which will be absorbed through PRM's existing operating budget. 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.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

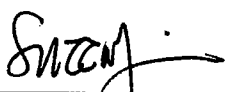


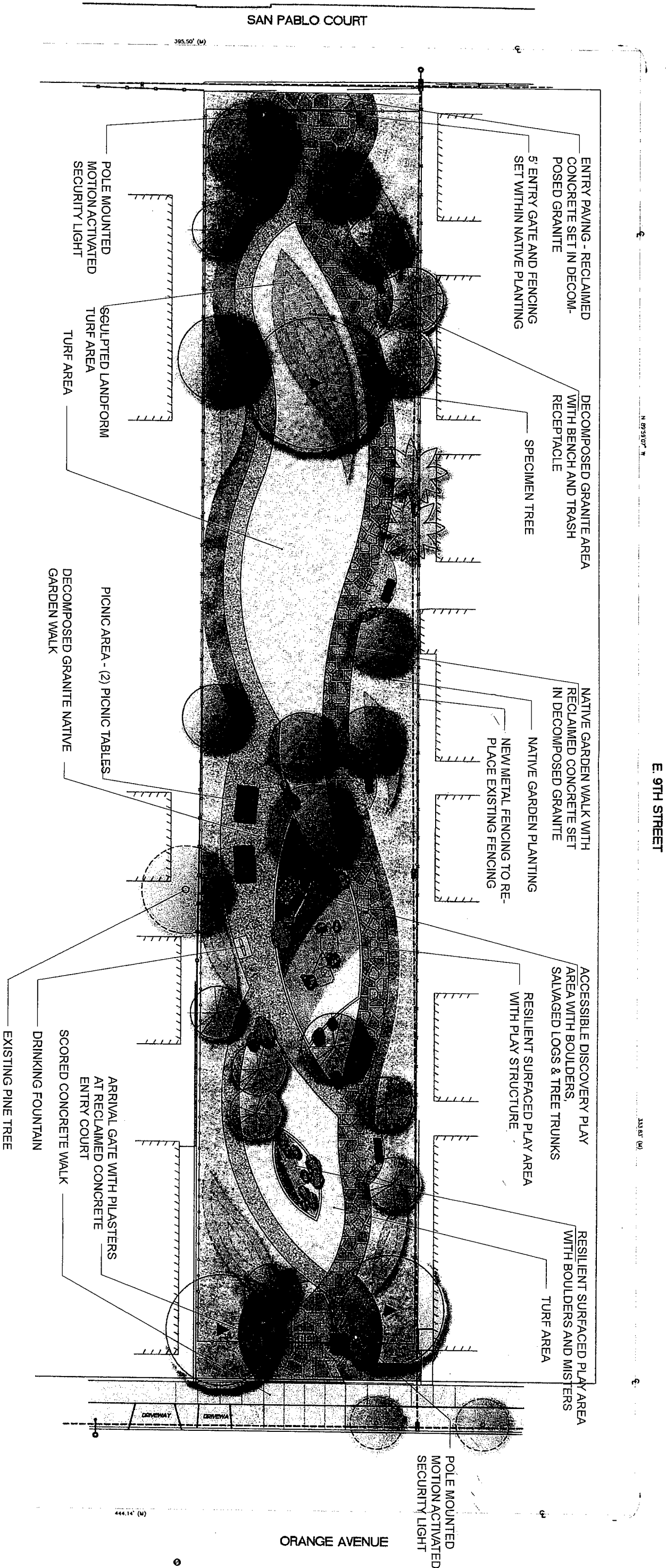
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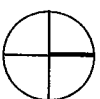
Attachments: Resolution  
851 Orange Mini Park Concept Design  
Aerial Map

APPROVED:

  
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PATRICK H. WEST  
CITY MANAGER



0' 4' 8' 16'  
SCALE: 1/8" = 1'-0"





851 Orange Ave.



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RESOLUTION NO.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE  
CITY OF LONG BEACH APPROVING THE APPLICATION  
FOR STATEWIDE PARK PROGRAM GRANT FUNDS

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 the Statewide Park Program, setting up necessary procedures governing the Application; and

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

WHEREAS, the applicant will enter into a contract with the State of California to complete the grant scope project;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Long Beach hereby:

Section 1. Approves the filing of an application for a new park at 851 Orange Avenue; and

Section 2. Certifies that said applicant has or will have available, prior to commencement of any work on the project included in this application, the sufficient funds to complete the project; and

Section 3. Certifies that the applicant has or will have sufficient funds to operate and maintain the project(s); and

Section 4. Certifies that the applicant has reviewed, understands, and agrees to the General Provisions contained in the contract shown in the Grant Administration Guide; and

Section 5. Delegates the authority to City Manager to conduct all

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1 negotiations, sign and submit all documents, including but not limited to applications,  
2 agreements, amendments, and payment requests, which may be necessary for the  
3 completion of the grant scope; and

4 Section 6. Agrees to comply with all applicable federal, state and local  
5 laws, ordinances, rules, regulations and guidelines.

6 Section 7. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption  
7 by the City Council, and the City Clerk shall certify the vote adopting this resolution.

8 I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the City  
9 Council of the City of Long Beach at this meeting of \_\_\_\_\_,  
10 2010, by the following vote.

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