



## Legislation Text

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Recommendation to authorize City Manager to execute a lease with the Los Angeles County Housing Authority for the use of approximately four acres of City-owned park land located in the Carmelitos Housing Development at 700 E. Via Carmelitos, Long Beach, for a term of 20 years with one five-year renewal option. (District 8)

On January 14, 1992, the City Council authorized Lease No. 23581 with the Los Angeles County Housing Authority (Housing Authority) for the use of approximately four acres of City-owned park land located in the Carmelitos Housing Development (Carmelitos) for the development of soccer and football fields (Attachment 1). Lease No. 23581 expires on October 31, 2008, and the Housing Authority is requesting a new 20-year lease with one five-year renewal option. Carmelitos is a public housing development managed by the Housing Authority, and home to 713 families and seniors. The City-owned park land is located in the heart of Carmelitos and is an integral part of the community. It is the only safe and sanitary open space available to the 6,500 residents, of which 1,500 are youth. Over the years, the space has become a multipurpose recreational area.

The Housing Authority has demonstrated its dedication to providing recreational and educational opportunities for the residents of Carmelitos, and has assisted low income families with education, employment, and the overall improvement of their quality of life, thus meeting the City's goal of increasing youth and family participation in productive social and economic activities.

The following are major provisions of the proposed lease:

. Premises: Approximately four acres of park land located in the Carmelitos Housing Development at 700 E. Via Carmelitos, Long Beach (Attachment 2).

. Term: Twenty years, November 1, 2008 through October 31, 2028.

. Renewal Options: One five-year renewal option, at the discretion of the City Manager or his designee.

. Lease Fee: Annual rent of \$1, in consideration of the valuable services provided to the Long Beach community.

. Maintenance and Utilities: The Housing Authority shall, at its sole cost, maintain the premises and all improvements in a safe, clean, and satisfactory condition, and pay for all utilities.

. Insurance: The Housing Authority shall provide insurance coverage as defined by the City's Risk Management Office.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Gary J. Anderson on June 25, 2008, and Budget Management Officer Victoria Bell on June 30, 2008.

City Council action is requested on July 22, 2008, to enable the Los Angeles County Housing Authority to present the Council's decision at the September meeting of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors, and to proceed with the execution of the lease.

Annual revenue in the amount of \$1 will accrue to the General Fund (GP) in the Department of Parks, Recreation and Marine (PR).

Approve recommendation.

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