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Recommendation to increase the FY 20 appropriations in the General Fund Group in the City Manager Department by $1,046, offset by the Ninth Council District One-time District Priority Funds transferred from the Citywide Activities Department to provide a contribution to the Draculas for a mural painted at Houghton Park prior to the grand opening of the expanded Houghton Park Community Center on June 30, 2020; and

Decrease the FY 20 appropriations in the General Fund Group in the Citywide Activities Department by $1,046 to offset a transfer to the City Manager Department.

On June 30, 2020, the City of Long Beach celebrated the grand opening of the expanded Houghton Park Community Center, a project over 6 years in the making. To commemorate the completion, the Ninth District Council office commissioned the "Uptown Renaissance" mural. Designed by the Draculas, "Uptown Renaissance" celebrates the culmination of various Ninth District projects from the past five years, such as the Michelle Obama Neighborhood Library, capital improvements to Jordan High School, the Uptown Commons, which brings the first bank to North Long Beach in over 10 years, as well as sit-down restaurants and communal space. The mural also highlights the Deforest Park Wetlands and the Houghton Park Sound Garden, an interactive playground for children, featuring various musical instruments.

On August 4, 2020, the City Council approved a recommendation to contribute $3,300 to the Draculas for the mural at Houghton Park. The correct contribution amount should have been $4,346 and this recommendation is a technical correction to increase the contribution to the Draculas by $1,046 for a total of $4,346.

This matter was reviewed by Budget Manager Grace H. Yoon on October 8,2020.

This recommendation requests the City Manager to provide a contribution to the Draculas for costs associated with the design and execution of the new mural at Houghton Park. The total FY 20 appropriation increase in the General Fund Group in the City Manager Department by $1,046 will be offset by a decrease of appropriation of $1,046 from the Ninth District General Fund Group One-time District Priority Funds in the Citywide Activities Department. The requested action is anticipated to require a minimal level of staff hours beyond the budgeted scope of duties and is expected to have minimal impact on existing City Council priorities.

Approve recommendation.

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