



# CITY OF LONG BEACH

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, RECREATION & MARINE

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November 3, 2009

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL  
City of Long Beach  
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## RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt the attached Resolution authorizing the City Manager to submit a grant application to California State Parks through the Recreational Trails Program in the amount of \$224,269 for the replacement of a pedestrian trail bridge at the El Dorado Nature Center; and accept a donation of \$52,753 from Partners of Parks, for a total estimated cost of \$277,022. (District 4)

## DISCUSSION

The El Dorado Nature Center was developed in 1969, with the visitor's center located on an island connected to the main habitat area by wooden bridges. The West Bridge (Attachment A) is in need of replacement, as it has deteriorated due to age, exposure to the elements, and termite infestation; it does not meet current ADA requirements; and it has reached the end of its usable lifespan. Currently, staff must spend an increasing amount of time and funds to maintain the West Bridge at a usable level. If awarded, grant funds will provide for the complete replacement of the wooden West Bridge.

The Recreational Trails Program provides funds annually for recreational trails and trail-related projects through federal highway transportation funds administered at the state level by California State Parks. The Department of Parks, Recreation and Marine would like to apply for a total of \$224,269 in grant funding from California State Parks through the Recreational Trails Program. The total direct project cost to replace the West Bridge is \$254,850, plus \$22,172 for City overhead (8.7 percent) that is ineligible for grant reimbursement, for a total cost of \$277,022. The grant requires 12 percent of direct costs in matching funds, or \$30,581 ( $\$254,850 \times 12\%$ ). Partners of Parks has agreed to fund the 12 percent match of \$30,581 and the City's 8.7 percent overhead rate of \$22,172, for a total donation to the project of \$52,753.

This matter was reviewed and the Resolution prepared by Deputy City Attorney Gary J. Anderson on October 6, 2009, and Budget and Performance Management Bureau Manager David Wodynski reviewed this matter on October 8, 2009.

TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action is requested on November 3, 2009, in order to provide grant application documents to California State Parks in a timely manner.

FISCAL IMPACT

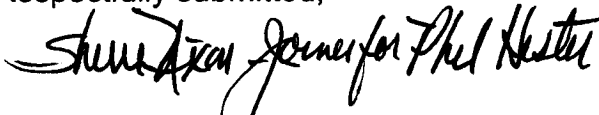
The total cost of the project is estimated at \$277,022. Grant monies will offset 88 percent of the grant eligible direct project costs, or \$224,269. Partners of Parks will donate \$52,753 to fund the 12 percent matching requirement of \$30,581 and the City overhead costs of \$22,172.

Should the grant application be selected for funding, a recommendation will be made to the City Council to accept and appropriate both the Recreational Trails Program grant and the Partners of Parks funding.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendations.

Respectfully submitted,



PHIL T. HESTER  
DIRECTOR OF PARKS, RECREATION AND MARINE

PTH:SJG:AMM:lh

Attachments: Resolution  
Aerial Photograph

APPROVED:



PATRICK H. WEST  
CITY MANAGER

# El Dorado Nature Center Trail Bridge



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RESOLUTION NO.

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE  
CITY OF LONG BEACH APPROVING THE APPLICATION  
FOR GRANT FUNDS FROM THE RECREATIONAL TRAILS  
PROGRAM.

WHEREAS, the "Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity  
Act: A Legacy for Users" provides funds to the State of California for Grants to federal,  
state, local and non-profit organizations to acquire, develop and/or maintain motorized  
and non-motorized trail Projects; and

WHEREAS, the State Department of Parks and Recreation has been  
delegated the responsibility for the administration of the program within the State, setting  
up necessary procedures governing Project Application under the program; 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 Project(s);

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

Section 1. Approves the filing of an Application for the Recreational Trails  
Program; and

Section 2. Certifies that the Project is consistent with the Applicant's  
general plan or the equivalent planning document; and

Section 3. Certifies that said Applicant has or will have available prior to  
commencement of any work on the Project(s) included in this Application, sufficient funds  
to operate and maintain the Project(s); and

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Section 4. Certifies that the Applicant has reviewed, understands, and agrees to the General Provisions contained in the Contract shown in the Procedural Guide; and

Section 5. Appoints the City Manager or his designee as agent to conduct all negotiations, execute and submit all documents, including but not limited to Applications, agreements, amendments, payment requests and so on, which may be necessary for the completion of the Project.

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

Approved and adopted the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2009.

I, the undersigned, hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution Number \_\_\_\_\_ was duly adopted by the Long Beach City Council by the following vote:

Ayes:                      Councilmembers: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Noes:                      Councilmembers: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Absent:                      Councilmembers: \_\_\_\_\_  
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City Clerk