

1 RESOLUTION NO. RES-08-0079

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3 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE  
4 CITY OF LONG BEACH MAKING CERTAIN FINDINGS  
5 REGARDING THE CONSTRUCTION OF CERTAIN PUBLIC  
6 IMPROVEMENTS WITH REDEVELOPMENT FUNDS  
7 (CENTRAL PARKS AND RECREATION FACILITIES AND  
8 STREET IMPROVEMENTS)

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10 WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Long Beach adopted and  
11 approved a certain Redevelopment Plan (the "Redevelopment Plan") for the Central  
12 Redevelopment Project (the "Project"); and

13 WHEREAS, in furtherance of the Project and the immediate neighborhood  
14 in which the Project is located, the Redevelopment Agency of the City of Long Beach,  
15 California (the "Agency"), has recognized the need for certain public improvements,  
16 which improvements will be located within the boundaries of the Project, and proposes to  
17 use redevelopment funds to finance the improvements; and

18 WHEREAS, Section 33445 of the California Community Redevelopment  
19 Law (Health and Safety Code Section 33000 et seq.) requires the Agency to make  
20 certain findings prior to the acquisition of land and construction of public improvements or  
21 facilities thereon; and

22 WHEREAS, Section 33678 of the Community Redevelopment Law provides  
23 that under certain conditions tax increment funds shall not be subject to the  
24 appropriations limitation of Article XIII B of the California Constitution;

25 NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Long Beach resolves as  
26 follows:

27 Section 1. The City Council determines that the construction of public  
28 improvements, more particularly described in Exhibit "A", are of benefit to the Project and

1 the immediate neighborhood in which the Project is located. This finding is supported by  
2 the following facts:

3           Development of additional parks and recreation facilities will assist  
4 the removal of blight in densely populated neighborhoods that are currently  
5 underserved in terms of open space and recreational opportunities, while  
6 also helping to create a more positive and nurturing environment within  
7 neighborhoods. Further, targeted street improvements will eliminate blight,  
8 improve traffic flow and the safety of residents, and promote business  
9 attraction and retention.

10           Section 2. The City Council determines that no other reasonable means  
11 of financing the above-described improvements are available to the community. This  
12 finding is supported by the following facts:

13           Before the passage of Proposition 13, most of the City's general  
14 operating and capital improvements were funded through property taxes.  
15 However, the initiative placed severe constraints on the City's ability to use  
16 property tax revenues to offset increases in operating and capital costs. It  
17 has also been difficult for the City, by itself, to provide sufficient funds to  
18 support the construction of major public improvements. In fiscal year 2008-  
19 2009, the limited resources of the City's General Fund are committed to  
20 previously incurred obligations and planned projects.

21           Section 3. The City Council further determines that the payment of funds  
22 for the construction of the public improvements will assist in the elimination of one or  
23 more blighting conditions within the Project, and is consistent with the implementation  
24 plan adopted pursuant to Health and Safety Code Section 33490.

25           Section 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption  
26 by the City Council, and the City Clerk shall certify the vote adopting this resolution.

27           I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the City  
28 Council of the City of Long Beach at its meeting of July 22, 2008, by the

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ROBERT E. SHANNON, City Attorney  
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Long Beach, CA 90802-4664

1 following vote:

2 Ayes: Councilmembers: B. Lowenthal, S. Lowenthal, DeLong,  
3 O'Donnell, Schipske, Andrews,  
4 Reyes Uranga, Gabelich, Lerch.

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6 Noes: Councilmembers: None.

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8 Absent: Councilmembers: None.

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## **EXHIBIT "A"**

### **DESCRIPTION OF THE PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS**

Sites located in the Central Long Beach Redevelopment Project Area to be developed into parks and recreation facilities. Also, streets targeted for improvements. These public projects will facilitate the removal of blight as well as facilitate safer, more cohesive neighborhoods. These projects include the following:

- Rosa Parks Park Acquisition/Expansion
- Drake/Chavez/Bhatti UPRR Expansion
- Craftsman Park Expansion
- Pacific Electric Right-of-Way Expansion
- MacArthur Park/Homeland Cultural Center Expansion
- Downtown Dog Park
- Magnolia Industrial District Streetscape