



Building A Better Long Beach

May 2, 2011

REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY BOARD MEMBERS

City of Long Beach

California

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve and authorize the Executive Director to enter into a contract with Addscape, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$141,450 for the construction of a paseo at 5368 Long Beach Boulevard. (North – District 8)

DISCUSSION

The North Long Beach Strategic Guide for Redevelopment (Strategic Guide) identified the intersection of Long Beach Boulevard and Market Street in Virginia Village as a Neighborhood Convenience node. The Strategic Guide stressed that intense programs of street landscaping and greening be undertaken, and also that these nodes be pedestrian-oriented and offer connectivity to the adjacent residential areas, making them easily accessible to nearby residents and local workers. In this way, the development of street-oriented retail uses, restaurants and other services would be promoted. To this end, the proposed "paseo" project will enhance the Virginia Village area and visually improve this mid-block location.

The paseo consists of a pedestrian parkway that provides connectivity between the Long Beach Boulevard commercial corridor and the adjacent residential neighborhood. The site is currently vacant and the proposed construction includes new paving, landscaping, seating areas, bicycle racks, and lighting.

On January 18, 2011, Deputy City Attorney Linda Trang reviewed and approved the Plans and Specifications prepared by Pat Smith, the landscape architect retained by the Redevelopment Agency (Agency) to develop the paseo plans for 5368 Long Beach Boulevard (Exhibit A – Site Map). The Plans and Specifications were advertised for bid on January 25, 2011, and a total of 11 bids were opened on February 23, 2011. The landscape architect's estimate for construction costs was \$111,696, and Addscape, Inc. was the lowest responsible bidder with a bid of \$123,000.

REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY BOARD MEMBERS

May 2, 2011

Page 2 of 2

The proposed contract amount of \$141,450 includes a 15 percent contingency clause to cover any additional work that may become necessary during the course of construction. In the event that additional work is necessary, the contract will provide that the Executive Director may authorize contract change orders not to exceed the 15 percent contingency. Although not anticipated, any contract change orders that would exceed the 15 percent contingency will be brought before the Agency for further consideration.

The Agency and City Council made the necessary findings of benefit as required by California Redevelopment Law on June 4, 2007, and June 12, 2007, respectively.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,



ROBERT M. ZUR SCHMIEDE, AICP
ASSISTANT EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



AMY J. BODEK, AICP
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

AJB:RMZ:DSW:TLF:eld

Attachment: Exhibit A – Site Map



5368 Long Beach Boulevard

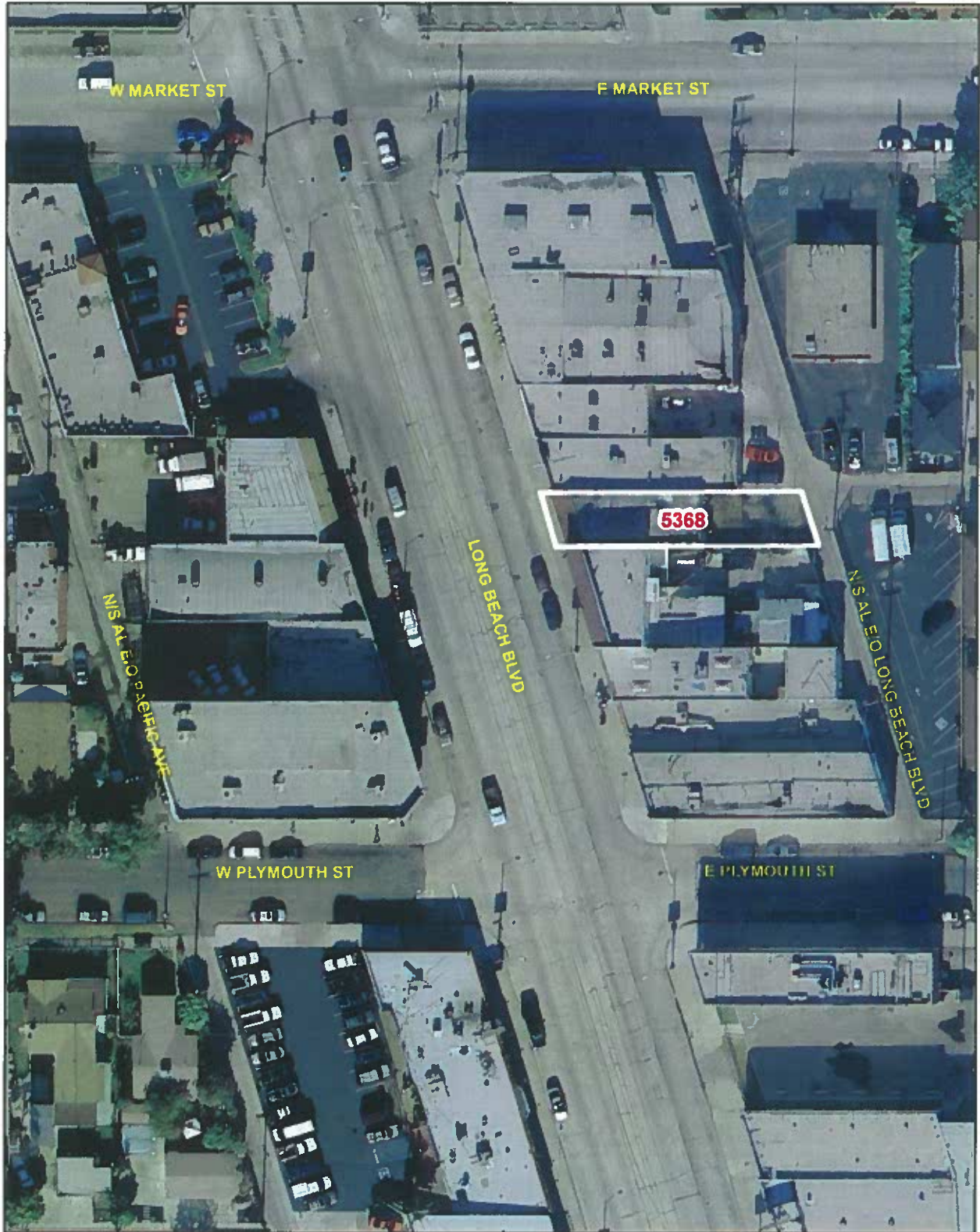


Exhibit A (2 of 2)



Pink Trumpet Tree.



Festival Grass.



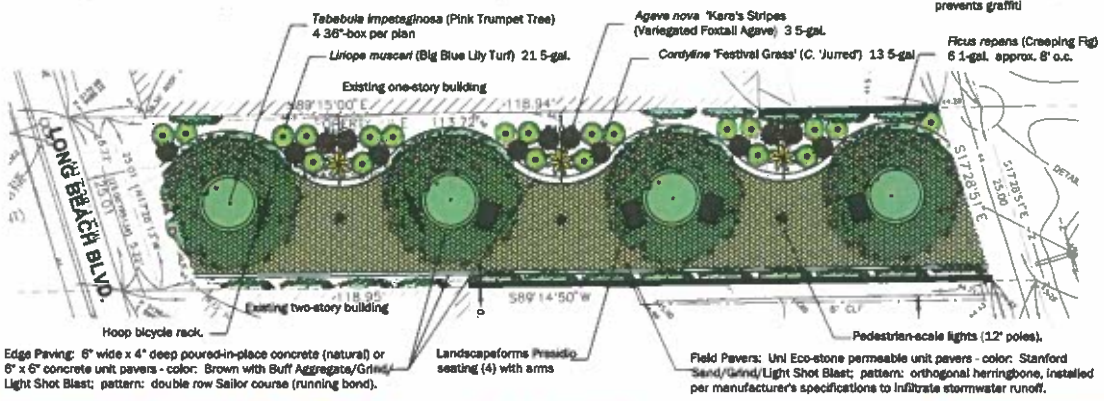
Agave Kara's Stripes



Big Blue Lily Turf



Creeping Fig on a wall prevents graffiti



Edge Paving: 6" wide x 4" deep poured-in-place concrete (natural) or 6" x 6" concrete unit pavers - color: Brown with Buff Aggregate/Grind; Light Shot Blast; pattern: double row Sailor course (running bond).

Landscapeforms Presidio seating (4) with arms

Field Pavers: Uni Eco-stone permeable unit pavers - color: Stanford Sand/Grind/Light Shot Blast; pattern: orthogonal herringbone, installed per manufacturer's specifications to infiltrate stormwater runoff.



Stanford sand permeable pavers with brown w/buff aggregate bands.



Wall pattern.



Landscapeforms Presidio seats and trash receptacle. Paseo seats will have arms.



Hoop bicycle racks.



Selux Beta pendant light



Patricia Smith, ASLA
Landscape Architecture/Planting/Urban Design
323 689 9999 TEL
323 689 0492 FAX
4265 Emily Webb Drive, Suite 1
Los Angeles, California 90022