

Building A Better Long Beach

December 15, 2008

REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY BOARD MEMBERS
City of Long Beach
California

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve and authorize the Executive Director to enter into a contract with Bryan A. Stirrat & Associates in an amount not to exceed \$450,000 for engineering consulting services in support of the closure of the Paramount Landfill at 5500-5550 Paramount Boulevard. (North – District 9)

DISCUSSION

The creation of Ed "Pops" Davenport Park (Park) supports the open space goals of the City of Long Beach (City) in the North Long Beach Redevelopment Project Area (Project Area). The first phase of the Park was completed and opened to the public in 2006 on a former municipal landfill site adjacent to 5500-5550 Paramount Boulevard. The \$7.7 million first phase was jointly funded by the Department of Parks, Recreation and Marine, the Department of Public Works, and the Redevelopment Agency (Agency).

On May 8, 2006, the Agency acquired the second phase of the Park in a voluntary sale of 5500-5550 Paramount Boulevard. The Agency has been working in partnership with the departments of Parks, Recreation and Marine, Public Works and Planning regarding the landfill issues and park design. This second phase is planned to expand the Park on a five-acre parcel containing a single tenant industrial use (Exhibit A). Prior to developing Phase II of Davenport Park, additional efforts are necessary to close the landfill.

The City's open space goal is eight acres per 1,000 residents, as identified in the Open Space and Recreation Element of the General Plan. North, West and Central sections of the City are different and identified as priority areas for new open space acquisition and development. Phase II will add five acres to the North Long Beach community.

Staff requests entering into a contract with Bryan A. Stirrat & Associates (BAS), a civil and environmental engineering firm, for consulting services required to support landfill closure at the site. BAS is a multi-disciplined consulting firm with over 23 years of experience in solid and hazardous waste management, and has performed projects at over 200 landfill facilities. BAS will conduct site specific characterization studies,

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preparation of a post closure land use proposal and associated plans for submittal to the Los Angeles County Public Works Department, preparation of construction-level plans and specifications for site demolition and landfill closure, California Environmental Quality Act document preparation to support the Environmental Impact Report, and construction engineering support.

The proposed contract amount of \$450,000 includes a 15 percent contingency clause to cover any additional work that may become necessary. The funds are available in the North Long Beach Redevelopment Project Area FY 2009 budget.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Adopt recommendation.

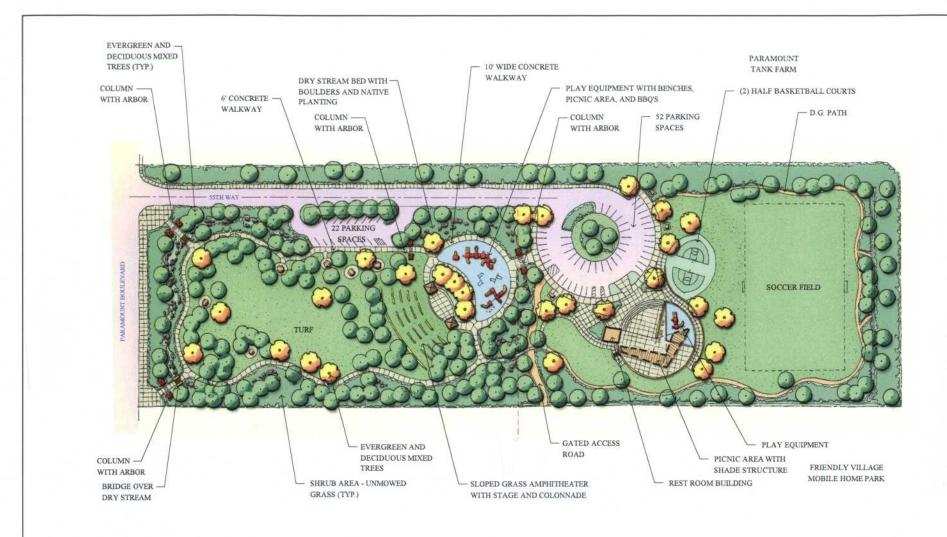
Respectfully submitted,

CRAIG BECK

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

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Attachment: Exhibit A - Site Map



CITY OF LONG BEACH

Ed "Pop's" Davenport Park DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, RECREATION AND MARINE



