



CITY OF LONG BEACH

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February 3, 2015

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
City of Long Beach
California

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt the attached Resolution authorizing the City Manager to submit a grant application to California State Parks, through the Land and Water Conservation Fund, in the amount of \$450,000, for the construction of the Pacific Electric Right-of-Way Greenbelt from Park Avenue to Ximeno Avenue, at a total estimated construction cost of \$900,000. (District 3)

DISCUSSION

The Department of Parks, Recreation and Marine (PRM) is requesting to apply for \$450,000 in grant funding for Phase 1 of the Pacific Electric Right-of-Way Greenbelt (Project) through the Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF), which is administered through California State Parks. The LWCF provides competitive grant funding for the acquisition, development, and preservation of park land in California.

On February 18, 2014, the City Council appropriated \$300,000 of Proposition A Competitive Excess Funds from the Los Angeles County Regional Park and Open Space District for the Project. If awarded, the LWCF grant will provide an additional \$450,000 for the construction of a trail, trailhead, and landscaping on the Pacific Electric Right-of-Way Greenbelt from Park Avenue to Ximeno Avenue (Attachment). The LWCF grant requires that the City of Long Beach (City) provide one-to-one matching funds. The City's match of \$450,000 will be provided through a combination of \$150,000 from Third District FY 14 non-recurring infrastructure funds and \$300,000 from the previously awarded Los Angeles County grant for this Project. This Project is the first phase of implementation of the Pacific Electric Right-of-Way Master Plan, a plan completed in 2014 that covers the right-of-way from Park Avenue to Loma Avenue. Implementation of the full Master Plan is estimated to cost \$2,500,000. Additional phases of the Master Plan will be implemented as funding becomes available.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Kendra L. Carney on January 13, 2015, and by Budget Management Officer Victoria Bell on January 16, 2015.

TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action is requested on February 3, 2015, in order to submit the grant application to California State Parks by their February 2015, deadline.

FISCAL IMPACT

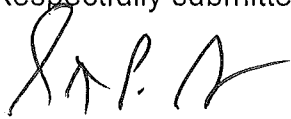
If awarded, the grant monies will offset the estimated construction cost of \$900,000. The required City match of \$450,000 will be paid with \$150,000 from Third District FY 14 non-recurring infrastructure funds and \$300,000 from the previous Los Angeles County grant, both of which are currently budgeted in the Capital Projects Fund (CP) in the Public Works Department (PW). If the LWCF grant is awarded, PRM will request City Council approval to accept and appropriate the additional funding.

Future Project maintenance costs are estimated at \$10,000 per year to the General Fund, and will need to be addressed as part of the annual budget development process. There is no impact to jobs associated with the recommended action.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,



GEORGE CHAPJIAN *for*
DIRECTOR OF PARKS, RECREATION AND MARINE

GC:SS:lh

Attachments: Resolution
Aerial Map

APPROVED:



PATRICK H. WEST
CITY MANAGER



ATTACHMENT

PROJECT LOCATION MAP

Pacific Electric Right-of-Way Greenbelt

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RESOLUTION NO.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF LONG BEACH APPROVING THE APPLICATION
FOR LAND AND WATER CONSERVATION FUND PACIFIC
ELECTRIC RIGHT-OF-WAY GREENBELT PROJECT

WHEREAS, the Congress under Public Law 88-578 has authorized the establishment of a federal Land and Water Conservation Fund Grant-In-Aid program, providing Matching funds to the State of California and its political subdivisions for acquiring lands and developing Facilities for public outdoor recreation purposes; and

WHEREAS, the California Department of Parks and Recreation is responsible for administration of the program in the State, setting up necessary rules and procedures governing applications by local agencies under the program; and

WHEREAS, the applicant certifies by resolution the approval of the application and the availability of eligible matching funds prior to submission of the application to the State;

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

Section 1. Approves the filing of an Application for Land and Water Conservation Fund assistance for the proposed Pacific Electric Right-of-Way Greenbelt Project; and

Section 2. Agrees to abide by Section 6(f)(3) of Public Law 88-578 which states "No property acquired or developed with assistance under this section shall, without the approval of the National Secretary of the Interior, be converted to other than public outdoor recreation uses. The Secretary shall approve such conversion only if he finds it to be in accord with the then existing comprehensive statewide outdoor recreation plan and only upon such conditions as he deems necessary to assure the substitution of other

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1 recreation properties of at least equal fair market value and of reasonably equivalent
2 usefulness and location."; and

3 Section 3. Certifies that said agency has matching funds from eligible
4 source(s) and can finance 100 percent of the Project, up to which half of the funds may
5 be reimbursed; and

6 Section 4. Appoints the City Manager, or designee, as agent of the
7 applicant to conduct all negotiations and execute and submit all documents, including,
8 but not limited to, applications, contracts, amendments, payment requests, and
9 compliance with all applicable current state and federal laws which may be necessary for
10 the completion of the aforementioned Project.

11 Section 5. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption
12 by the City Council, and the City Clerk shall certify the vote adopting this resolution.

13 I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the City
14 Council of the City of Long Beach at its meeting of _____, 2015 by the
15 following vote:

17 Ayes: Councilmembers: _____
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21 Noes: Councilmembers: _____
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23 Absent: Councilmembers: _____
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28 City Clerk