



CITY OF LONG BEACH

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RECOMMENDATION:

Recommend the placement locations of memorial or commemorative benches outlined in Attachment "A". (Citywide)

DISCUSSION

The Department of Parks, Recreation and Marine (PRM), with the consent of the City Manager, has a Policy on Donating Funds for Minor Park Assets (including Memorial Trees and Benches).

The Policy states, in part, that on a quarterly or as needed basis, proposed locations for new or replacement benches (Attachment A) will be presented to the Parks and Recreation Commission (Commission) for recommendation. This will allow a public forum for residents or other interested parties to comment on all newly proposed bench locations, and determine a point in time for the installation of a memorial bench. After this recommendation, installation of the bench will be the responsibility of PRM staff. PRM does not warrant benches against vandalism or destruction and based on the condition of the bench after 10 years, a specific bench may be removed if deemed appropriate and the location could be made available for another bench (unless the original party purchases a new bench for the donation amount in effect at that time).

PRM staff has reviewed the requested bench locations (Attachments B), which include a new memorial bench on an existing area of concrete in front of the restroom at Marine Stadium and the replacement of an existing, undedicated bench in Bluff Park. The chosen locations are deemed an appropriate improvement to the particular areas.

FISCAL IMPACT

One of the duties of PRM staff is to place and maintain benches in parks, so this and other bench installations or relocations are not outside of PRM's regularly budgeted activities. The bench donation amount is sufficient to cover all costs of the new bench.

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SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully Submitted,



For HURLEY OWENS
MANAGER
MAINTENANCE OPERATIONS BUREAU



STEPHEN P. SCOTT
DEPUTY DIRECTOR AND MANAGER
BUSINESS OPERATIONS BUREAU

APPROVED:



MARIE KNIGHT
DIRECTOR

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Attachments: List of benches (Attachment A)
Proposed location aerials (Attachments B)