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Recommendation to authorize City Manager to accept a non-monetary donation of planning, labor, materials, and equipment, valued at approximately \$90,000, from the Los Angeles Clippers for the replacement/installation of new playground equipment and resurfacing of the basketball court at Ernest S. McBride, Sr. Park; and execute new right-of-entry permits and any related documents with Madrid Equipment Rental, Inc., and Miracle Playground Sales or its agents, to perform the aforementioned improvements. (District 6)

In late January 2013, the Department of Parks, Recreation and Marine (PRM) was contacted by representatives from the Los Angeles Clippers Basketball Team of the National Basketball Association (LA Clippers) about the possibility of replacing the playground equipment and resurfacing the basketball court at Ernest S. McBride, Sr. Park (McBride Park), located at 1550 Martin Luther King, Jr. Avenue. The playground at McBride Park has been identified by PRM as one of the oldest park playgrounds in the City of Long Beach (City). The aforementioned improvements would be done as part of the LA Clippers' FIT Campus Playground & Court Refurbishment Program that has identified parks in Long Beach, Boyle Heights, and South Los Angeles for playground equipment and court refurbishment in 2013.

All of the costs for the proposed project will be borne by the LA Clippers; no costs will be incurred by the City. However, the Sixth District Council Office has agreed to provide up to \$10,000 in Council District Six Uplands Oil Infrastructure Funds to cover any unforeseen contingencies not covered by the LA Clippers' donation. The LA Clippers have completed all planning and pre-construction items necessary for the proposed project. Additionally, the LA Clippers have stated that due to their strict timeline, the project must be completed in time for a March 22, 2013, ceremony and clinic that will be held at McBride Park.

In return for this project, the LA Clippers have requested placement of a recognition plaque at McBride Park. No other naming or sponsorship-type benefits have been requested or proposed. This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Gary J. Anderson, and Budget Management Officer Victoria Bell on February 19, 2013.

City Council action is requested on March 5, 2013, in order to enable the execution of right-of-entry permits and any related documents to allow for completion of the aforementioned project by March 21, 2013.

As the LA Clippers will fund the proposed project in its entirety, there is no anticipated impact to the General Fund. However, in the event that there are any unforeseen costs and/or contingencies associated with the project, Councilmember Dee Andrews has agreed to designate up to \$10,000 in Council District Six Uplands Oil Infrastructure Funds currently budgeted in the Capital Projects Fund (CP) in the Department of Public Works (PW). The recommended action will result in a positive impact on jobs, although the exact number is unknown at this time.

Approve recommendation.

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APPROVED:

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