

Agenda Report

DATE: July 1, 2002

TO: CITY COUNCIL

FROM: CITY MANAGER

SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF APPLICATION AND RESOLUTION TO THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION FOR THE URBAN OPEN SPACE AND RECREATION GRANT PROGRAM OF THE PARK BOND ACT OF 2000 (PROPOSITION 12) FOR THE PER CAPITA, ROBERTI-Z'BERG HARRIS (RZH) BLOCK GRANT PROGRAMS; AND

APPROVAL OF APPLICATION AND RESOLUTION TO LOS ANGELES COUNTY FOR LOS ANGELES COUNTY PARK, BEACH AND RECREATION ACT OF 1996 (PROPOSITION A) FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,000,000.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Approve the City of Pasadena's application and resolution to the California Department of Parks and Recreation for the Urban Open Space and Recreation Grant Program of the Park Bond Act of 2000 (Proposition 12) Per Capita Grant Program, and
2. Approve the City of Pasadena's application and resolution to the California Department of Parks and Recreation for the Urban Open Space and Recreation Grant Program of the Park Bond Act of 2000 (Proposition 12) Roberti-Z'Berg Harris Block Grant Program, and
3. Approve the City of Pasadena's application and adopt a resolution to Los Angeles County for the *Los Angeles County Park, Beach and Recreation Act of 1996* (Proposition A) funds in the amount of \$1,000,000.

RECREATION AND PARKS COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION:

The Recreation and Parks Commission reviewed and unanimously endorsed approval of the *Park Bonds and Grants Plan*, at their special meeting held on January 16, 2002. The Commission also reviewed and unanimously endorsed staff recommendations for use of the *Los Angeles County Park, Beach and Recreation Act of 1996* (Proposition A) funds at their special meeting held on June 25, 2002.

MEETING OF 7/1/2002

AGENDA ITEM NO. 4.A.(3)

BACKGROUND

The City Council unanimously approved supporting the Los Angeles County Park, Beach and Recreation Act of 1996 (Proposition A) at their regular meeting on May 13, 1996. This act established a grant program to preserve, improve, and restore park, beach, mountain, and open space lands, senior centers, and facilities and recreation facilities. The Hahamongna Watershed Park proposal anticipated the receipt of \$1,000,000 of these Proposition A funds for an unspecified project. Staff now proposes these funds be identified for the Oak Grove Area Improvements Project in the Hahamongna Watershed Park.

This project will construct the expanded parking area and turnarounds, install landscaping and irrigation; construct gravity sewer lines and lift station with force main for the restrooms at Oak Grove Field and Sycamore Grove Field Underground power and communication lines; construct Oak Grove Field restroom and two group picnic shade structures; construct the Foothill Drain improvements, including improvements to the existing drainage swale; construct two trail connections from the West Rim Trail to Oak Grove Field and the Perimeter Trail; construct the West Rim Trail improvements and the realignment around the Foothill Boulevard park entrance; implement the Oak Woodland Restoration Project, including establishment of oak woodland on the slopes between the upper and lower Oak Grove areas; install picnic amenities on the west side and improve the Outdoor Amphitheater at Oak Grove Field.

In order to complete the application process for the Proposition A funds, the City of Pasadena is required to complete and submit a resolution in support of the application for this project. Adoption of this resolution will encumber funds in the amount of \$1,000,000 for the Oak Grove Area Improvements Project. Therefore, it is recommended that the City Council approve an application and the attached resolution for the Oak Grove Area Improvements Project in the Hahamongna Watershed Park for \$1,000,000.

The City understands the assurance and certification in the Proposition A application form. This project will upgrade existing Oak Grove Area picnic amenities and implement conservation of oak woodlands. Identifying funds for the Oak Grove Area Improvements Project provides children, youth, adults, and seniors with constructive and enriching alternatives for leisure time activities.

The City has funds to operate and maintain the project in perpetuity. The total estimated cost of the project is \$1,200,000. The City will use 1996 Proposition A funds in the amount of \$1,000,000 and 1992 Proposition A funds in the amount of \$200,000 to complete the project.

The Safe Neighborhood Parks, Clean Water, Clean Air and Coastal Protection Bond Act of 2000 (Proposition 12) makes available \$1,305,000 in per capita funds and \$418,985 for Roberti-Z'berg Harris Block Grant funds allocated for the City of Pasadena for a total of \$1,723,985. Per Capita funds are allocated on a population-based formula to rehabilitate facilities at existing parks, develop facilities that promote positive alternatives for youth, promote family-oriented recreation, and provide for open, safe, and accessible local park

lands. Roberti-Z'Berg Harris grants are also based on population. These funds are available to address the most critical neighborhood park and recreational needs.

In order to complete the application process for these Proposition 12 grant funds, the City of Pasadena is required to complete and submit a resolution for the Per Capita Grant and the Roberti-Z'Berg Harris Block Grant Programs. The City Council has previously approved the expenditure of these Proposition 12 grant funds as part of the Park Grant Plan reviewed earlier this year. The following provides a list of these projects:

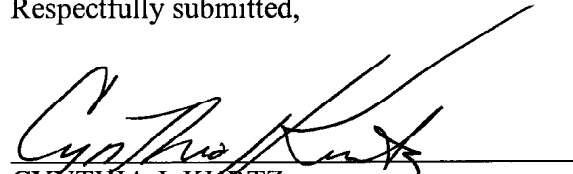
Playground Equipment Safety Replacement	- \$488,299
This project provides for the citywide replacement of playground equipment that was found to have lethal and serious safety issues in FY 2001. Parks scheduled for replacement are Brookside, Eaton-Blanche, Hamilton, Robinson, Singer, Sunnyslope, Victory, Villa-Parke and Washington Parks.	
Deferred Maintenance Projects	- \$408,200
This project addresses citywide deferred maintenance projects including resurfacing of sports courts, park walkway replacements, slurry seal of asphalt walkway replacements, and slope improvements at Villa Parke.	
Multi-Purpose Athletic Fields Phase I	- \$264,000
This project provides for improvements to fields at Audubon, Don Benito, Eliot, Field and Marshall schools.	
Multi-Purpose Athletic Fields Phases 2 & 3	- \$536,000
The specific recommendations for this funding has not been identified.	
TOTAL	\$1,696,499

The City has reviewed, understands, and agrees to the General Provisions contained in the contract shown in the Per Capita and Roberti-Z'Berg Harris Procedural Guide. The City has the funds necessary to operate and maintain the project in perpetuity. On-going maintenance costs are included in the Operating Budget under Park Maintenance Program.

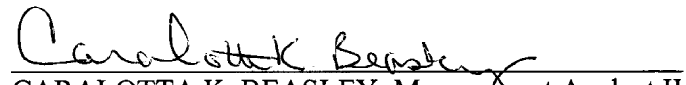
FISCAL IMPACT:

Award of these funds would bring the City of Pasadena \$1,723,985 in Proposition 12 funds for Multi-Purpose Athletic Fields, Playground Equipment Safety Replacement, and Deferred Maintenance Projects. Award of Proposition A funds would bring the City of Pasadena \$1,000,000 in 1996 Proposition A funds to complete the Oak Grove Area Improvements project. On-going maintenance costs are included in the Operation Budget under the Park Maintenance Program.

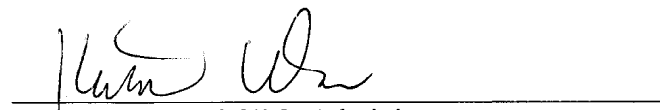
Respectfully submitted,


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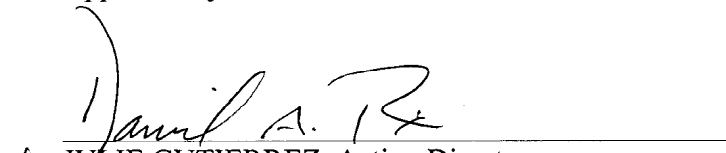
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