

Agenda Report

DATE: July 19, 2004

TO: CITY COUNCIL

FROM: CITY MANAGER

SUBJECT: RESOLUTION TO REALLOCATE RESIDUAL GRANT FUNDS FROM THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES REGIONAL PARKS AND OPEN SPACE DISTRICT PER PARCEL DISCRETIONARY GRANT PROGRAM FOR THE ALLENDALE PARK LIGHTING PROJECT

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council adopt a resolution to the County of Los Angeles Regional Parks for the Open Space District Grant Program to reallocate residual grant funds in the amount of \$24,668 for the Allendale Park Lighting Project.

RECREATION AND PARKS COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION:

At their special meeting of June 10, 2003, the Recreation and Parks Commission unanimously concurred with staff's recommendation to reallocate residual funding from the County of Los Angeles Regional Parks and Open Space District Grant Program, Park Bond Act of 1996 (Proposition A) for \$24,668.

BACKGROUND

At the March 8, 2004 City Council meeting, the Council reviewed and adopted a resolution seeking grant funding for the Allendale Park Lighting Project. Subsequent to the City's submission of the approved resolution, staff was advised that the language of the resolution should have indicated that the City was reallocating residual funds, rather than submitting a new grant application. As requested by the County of Los Angeles Regional Parks and Open Space District, the corrected resolution is submitted for the Council's consideration. The background information provided below remains unchanged.

The Centralized Athletic Field Lighting Equipment is an approved project in the Fiscal Year 2005 Capital Improvement Program (CIP). The Allendale Park portion of this lighting project will provide for replacement of field lighting equipment such as new poles and light fixtures, wires and conduit, switchgear and breakers, a new equipment cabinet, and the addition of computer-controlled programming equipment. The new computerized control system utilizes phone lines and Internet connections to centrally program and control the lights to eliminate illegal use and user misuse, both of which increase electrical usage and costs. Because the new poles and fixtures are much more efficient than the existing fixtures, only four new poles are

required to replace the existing six. Not only are fewer poles required, light levels on the field will improve visibility and safety while reducing the amount of "light pollution" that currently spills into the surrounding neighborhoods.

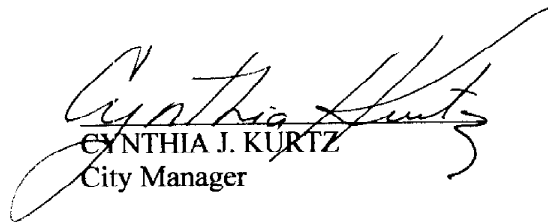
Funds in the amount of \$24,668 from the Park Bond Act of 1996 (Proposition A) have become available upon the closing of an earlier Athletic Lighting Project in June 2003. This project provided for lighting at Victory Park, John Muir High School and Washington Middle School, and these funds became available upon close-out of the project. If the City's application is approved, these additional funds will help complete the Allendale Park portion of the Centralized Athletic Field Lighting Project.

The City has funds to operate and maintain the project in perpetuity. The project is consistent with the Public Facilities Element of the General Plan by providing for more efficient development and greater utilization of public facilities. It is also consistent with the Land Use Element Policy 2.1 on Neighborhood Parks by enhancing parks in residential areas.

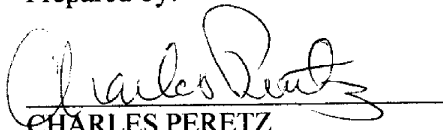
FISCAL IMPACT:

The total cost of the project is \$131,560. The award of this grant would bring the City of Pasadena an additional \$24,668. These funds, along with \$106,892 of funds from the following sources; Residential Impact Fees (\$98,892), South West Little League Organization through the Recreation and Park Foundation (\$3,000), and Department of Water and Power (\$5,000) provide the funds needed to undertake this project.

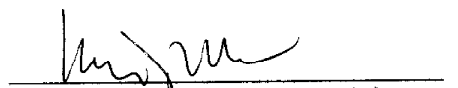
Respectfully submitted,


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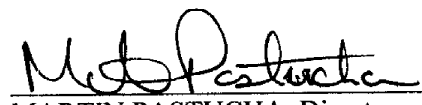
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