

Agenda Report

TO: CITY COUNCIL

DATE: June 25, 2007

FROM: CITY MANAGER

SUBJECT: ADOPT THE CENTRAL PARK MASTER PLAN AND
APPROVE THE NEGATIVE DECLARATION

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

- 1) Adopt the Central Park Master Plan; and
- 2) Approve the Initial Study and the Negative Declaration prepared for the Central Park Master Plan and direct the City Clerk to certify the Notice of Determination and Negative Declaration and file these documents with the Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk.

BACKGROUND:

On January 22, 2007, the Central Park Master Plan (Attachment A) was presented to the City Council for informational purposes. As requested by the City Council at that meeting, two minor changes have been made to the Master Plan. The actual size of events that are allowed in the park is now stated in the plan and the proposed renovation of the south lawn bowling green has been moved into the same priority category as the demolition of the north bowling green.

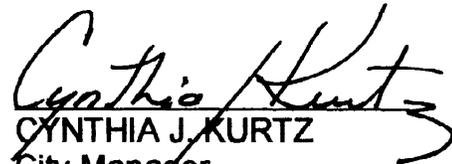
Approval of the Central Park Master Plan was deferred pending completion of an environmental review of the plan. An Initial Study and Negative Declaration (Attachment B) were completed and noticed for public review (legal notice in the newspaper and postings at the park) on May 29, 2007. The period for public comment ended on June 20, 2007. No comments were received.

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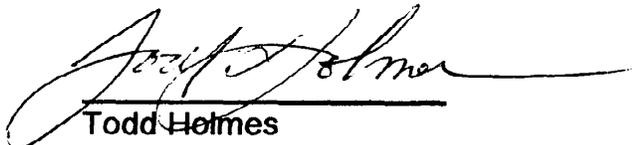
FISCAL IMPACT:

This project is included in the FY 2008 Capital Improvement Program with a total estimated cost of \$3,200,000. \$100,000 was appropriated in FY 2008 to fund architectural services for the renovation of the historic buildings in the park and to prepare plans for a new restroom building.

Respectfully submitted,


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