

Agenda Report

TO: CITY COUNCIL

DATE: August 10, 2009

FROM: CITY MANAGER

SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF AN ADDENDUM TO THE CITY OF PASADENA "AT RISK" YOUTH EMPLOYMENT PLAN FOR THE 1992 AND 1996 PROPOSITION A SAFE PARK BOND GRANT PROGRAMS TO ADD THE CENTRAL ARROYO SECO TRAIL RESTORATION PROJECT

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council approve an addendum to the City of Pasadena "At Risk" Youth Employment Plan by adding Central Arroyo Restoration project for compliance with the current requirements established by the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors for utilization of capital and maintenance funds available to the City of Pasadena via the 1992 and 1996 Proposition A Safe Park Bond.

BACKGROUND:

On June 26, 1997, the County Board of Supervisors acting as the Board of Directors of the Los Angeles County Regional Park and Open Space District passed a "Youth-at-Risk" Employment Policy requiring each agency receiving funds from these two bond measures for site development and maintenance programs to appropriate an amount equal to 10 percent of eligible project funds or 50 percent of their maintenance and servicing allotment on the employment of "at-risk" youth associated with programs, services, or facilities improved by Prop A funds. This requirement was retroactive to all projects not closed by August 20, 1997. Funds must be used to expand or create new employment programs to hire "at risk" youth city-wide after August 20, 1997 in support of After School recreation programs for this targeted group.

The County offered three options to satisfy the At-Risk Youth requirement: 1) To spend 10 percent of the City's total 1992 and 1996 Park Bond allocation of \$10,207,242 or \$1,020,724 on youth employment; 2) To spend 50 percent of the total \$2,918,647 of Maintenance and Servicing funds or \$1,459,324 on youth employment; or 3) To offer employment opportunities for new or expanded recreational programming city-wide. The City is working to satisfy the program requirements using all of these options.

On May 11, 1998, the City Council approved the original "At Risk" Youth Employment Plan for the 1992 and 1996 Proposition A, Safe Park Bond Grant Programs and identified 13 projects for

inclusion in the program. In 2006, the City submitted a new project, the Central Arroyo Seco Trail Restoration, for consideration of funding through the Excess Funding Program of the Park Bond Act of 1992 and 1996 (Prop A). The City had received notification that this project was funded in January 2007, but was recently notified that the project must be added to the City's At Risk Youth Employment Plan. The addition of this project will entitle the City to reimbursement of \$149,750 for the project construction cost, but also allow the use of future maintenance funds from the Prop A program to be utilized for trail upkeep.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT:

The proposed Central Arroyo Seco projects were evaluated in the Master Environmental Impact Report (MEIR) for the Arroyo Seco Master Plan that was completed and adopted by City Council in September 2003.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Approval of this addendum will assure the City of Pasadena's reimbursement of \$149,750 from the 1992 and 1996 Park Bond allocations as well as an undetermined amount of funding for future maintenance.

Respectfully Submitted:

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Attachment A

ADDENDUM TO

CITY OF PASADENA YOUTH EMPLOYMENT PLAN

CENTRAL ARROYO SECO TRAILS RESTORATIOM GRANT NO. 58H1-07-2101

Project Description

The project provides for repair of an existing trail that has failed. The physical improvements shall include: the rebuilding of failed arroyos stone walls, regarding and resurfacing of trail, reorientation and rebuilding of trailside seating and its adjoining steps, and the replacement of gates at two entrances along Arroyo Terrace.

Scope of Work

The scope of work for this project repairs approximately 200 lineal feet of trail that has failed and is in need of repair. Physical improvements shall include: 1) the rebuilding of 200 lineal feet of failed arroyos stone walls; rebuilt wall sections shall include both stone gravity wall construction as well as structurally reinforced wall with Arroyo stone facing 2) regarding and resurfacing of 200 lineal feet of trail 3) reorientation and rebuilding of 20 lineal feet of trailside seating and its adjoining steps and 4) replacement of entry gates at two trail entrances along Arroyo Terrace.

Tasks that may be performed by at-risk youth

- Site Preparation
- Demolition
- Assistance with trail and wall construction

Estimate Cost of youth employment: \$1,500 - \$5,000

Method of employing youth: Stated in bidding documents for project construction