

Agenda Report

TO: CITY COUNCIL

Date: July 19, 1999

FROM: CITY MANAGER

SUBJECT: Adoption of a Negative Declaration for the Sunnyslope Park Master Plan and adopt the final Sunnyslope Park Master Plan.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

- 1) Approve the Initial Study and Adopt the Negative Declaration prepared for the Sunnyslope Park Master Plan;
- 2) Adopt the De Minimis Finding of No Impact on Fish and Wildlife;
- 3) Direct the City Clerk to certify the Notice of Determination, Negative Declaration, and Certificate of Exemption from Fish and Game fees, and the Parks and Natural Resources Division to file those documents with the Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk.
- 4) Adopt the final Master Plan.

BACKGROUND:

The City of Pasadena approved a conceptual Master Park Plan for Sunnyslope Park January 9, 1995. Prior to approval of the Master Plan by the City Council, the Planning Commission reviewed the plan at their October 12, 1994, and took no formal action. The Design Review Commission reviewed the proposed plan at their November 14, 1994 meeting, and approved the Master Plan based upon their staff's recommendations of removing the existing white paint from the boulders, installing new pole-mounted signs, and installing new marbelite poles and lighting fixtures to match the existing.

Staff has prepared an Initial Study to allow for environmental analysis and documentation. Environmental documentation is required in order to be eligible to receive grant funding to fund the completion of some of the projects in the plan.

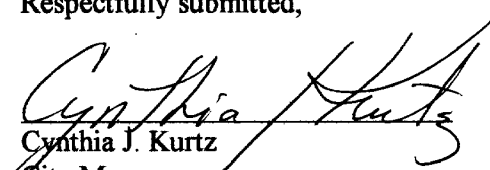
includes a series of projects to be implemented as funds become available. These projects include modifying earth berms and clustering trees for better visual access, additional security lighting, upgrading playgrounds, and replacing trash receptacles, picnic tables, and drinking fountains.

The Initial Study determined that there were no impacts on the environment, and that a Negative Declaration could be prepared. The Planning Commission reviewed the environmental analysis and documentation at their May 26, 1999 meeting. The public review period for the Negative Declaration and the supporting Initial Study began May 26, 1999 and ends July 19, 1999.

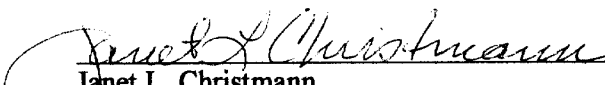
FISCAL IMPACT:

Adoption of a Negative Declaration for the Sunnyslope Park Master Plan provides the necessary environmental documentation required for grant funding the City will apply for to complete projects included in the master plan.


Respectfully submitted,


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Attachments:

Initial Study Sunnyslope Park Master Plan
Negative Declaration
De Minimis Finding of No Impact