

# Agenda Report

**TO: CITY COUNCIL**

**DATE: February 25, 2008**

**FROM: CITY MANAGER**

**SUBJECT: ADOPTION OF SEVERAL RESOLUTIONS FROM THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FORESTRY AND FIRE PROTECTION'S URBAN FORESTRY GRANT PROGRAM FOR EDUCATION, INVENTORY AND THE ARROYO SECO MANAGEMENT PLAN**

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Adopt a resolution authorizing an application for the competitive Urban Forestry Education Grant program of 2007-2008 in the amount of \$65,000 to educate the public on the specific and direct benefits of trees in the urban environment, with a focus on sustainability; and
2. Adopt a resolution authorizing an application for the competitive Urban Forestry Inventory Grant program of 2007-2008 in the amount of \$120,000 to implement new software, data collection processes, and update information on the City's street tree canopy; and
3. Adopt a resolution authorizing an application for the competitive Urban Forestry Management Plan Grant program of 2007-2008 in the amount of \$100,000 for the development and implementation of a management plan for the Arroyo Seco.

## **BACKGROUND:**

The City of Pasadena has the opportunity to apply for grant funding from the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection Urban Forestry Grant Program for the 2007-2008 funding cycle. The California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection has approximately \$1 million for the Urban Forestry Education grant program, \$1.5 million for the Urban Forestry Inventory grant program, and \$1 million for the Urban Forestry Management Plan grant program. The grant funds are provided from the Proposition 40, California Clean Water, Clean Air, Safe Neighborhood, Parks and Coastal Protection Act of 2002. Additional grant funds are provided from the Proposition 84, Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality and Supply, Flood Control, River and Coastal Protection Bond Act of 2006.

The Urban Forestry Education grant will allow the City to educate the public on the specific and direct benefits of trees in the urban environment, with a focus on sustainability by utilizing the City's urban forestry plan, website, information pods, and television programs. The Urban Forestry grant will allow the City to implement new software, data collection processes, and update information on the City's street tree canopy. The Urban Forestry Management Plan grant will allow the City to develop and implement a management plan for the Arroyo Seco to establish environmentally sound and sustainable standards and procedures for the implementation of the Arroyo Seco Master Plans and the protection and restoration of the Arroyo Seco watershed.

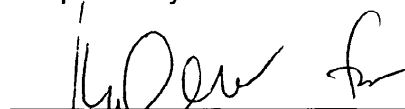
**FISCAL IMPACT:**

If the City of Pasadena is successful in obtaining funding for the 2007-2008 funding cycle, the City will receive \$285,000 towards the City's Urban Forestry program. The City will provide a total match of \$265,000 that will be a combination of in-kind services and cash. The City's match will come from the operating budget, Proposition 40 grant funding, and Habitat Conservation grant funding.


Respectfully Submitted:

  
BERNARD K. MELEKIAN  
City Manager

Prepared by:

  
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Parks and Natural Resources

Approved by:

  
Martin Pastucha, Director  
Department of Public Works

RESOLUTION NO.

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PASADENA  
APPROVING THE APPLICATION TO APPLY FOR GRANT FUNDS  
FROM THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FORESTRY  
AND FIRE PROTECTION GRANT PROGRAM AS PROVIDED THROUGH  
PROPOSITION 40 AND 84 FUNDING FOR THE URBAN FORESTRY  
EDUCATION PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, the Governor of the State of California in cooperation with the California State Legislature has enacted Proposition 40 and 84, which provides funds to the State of California and its political subdivisions for urban forestry programs; and

WHEREAS, the State of California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection has been delegated the responsibility for the administration of the program within the State, setting up necessary procedures governing project application by local agencies and non-profit organizations under the program; and

WHEREAS, said procedures established by the State of California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection require the applicant to certify by resolution the approval of application(s) before submission of said application(s) to the State; and

WHEREAS, the applicant will enter into an agreement with the State of California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection to complete the Urban Forestry Education project;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of Pasadena:

1. Approves the filing of an application for the State of California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection Urban Forestry Education Grant Program through Proposition 40 and 84 for the urban forestry education funds; and
2. Certifies that the City of Pasadena understands the assurances and certification in the application form; and
3. Certifies that the City has or will have sufficient funds to operate and maintain the project; and
4. Certifies that said applicant will expend grant funds prior to March 1, 2010.
5. Appoints the City Manager or Director of Public Works as agent of the City to conduct all negotiations, execute and submit all documents, including, but not limited to applications, agreements, amendments, payment requests

and so forth, which may be necessary for the completion of the  
aforementioned project.

6. Agrees to comply with all applicable federal, state and local laws,  
ordinances, rules, regulations and guidelines.

Adopted at the regular meeting of the City Council on the \_\_\_\_\_ day  
of \_\_\_\_\_, 2008, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

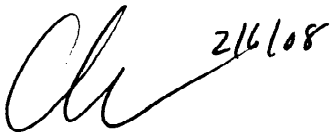
ABSENT:

ABSTAIN;

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Jane L. Rodriguez, CMC

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



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Nicholas George Rodriguez  
Assistant City Attorney

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PROPOSITION 40 AND 84 FUNDING FOR THE URBAN FORESTRY  
INVENTORY GRANT PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, the Governor of the State of California in cooperation with the California State Legislature has enacted Proposition 40 and 84, which provides funds to the State of California and its political subdivisions for urban forestry programs; and

WHEREAS, the State of California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection has been delegated the responsibility for the administration of the program within the State, setting up necessary procedures governing project application by local agencies and districts under the program; and

WHEREAS, said procedures established by the State of California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection require the applicant to certify by resolution the approval of application(s) before submission of said application(s) to the State; and

WHEREAS, the applicant will enter into an agreement with the State of California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection to complete the Urban Forestry Inventory project;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of Pasadena:

1. Approves the filing of an application for the State of California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection Urban Grant Program through Proposition 40 and 84 for the inventory grant funds; and
2. Certifies that the City of Pasadena understands the assurances and certification in the application form; and
3. Certifies that the City has or will have sufficient funds to operate and maintain the project; and
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MANAGEMENT PLAN GRANT PROGRAM FOR THE ARROYO SECO  
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WHEREAS, the applicant will enter into an agreement with the State of California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection to complete the Arroyo Seco Management Plan project;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of Pasadena:

1. Approves the filing of an application for the State of California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection Urban Grant Program through Proposition 40 and 84 for the management plan grant funds; and
2. Certifies that the City of Pasadena understands the assurances and certification in the application form; and
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