LOS ANGELES COUNTY REGIONAL PARK AND OPEN SPACE DISTRICT

July 8, 2008

The Honorable Board of Directors
Los Angeles County
Regional Park and Open Space District
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Directors:

APPROVE TRANSFER OF PER PARCEL DISCRETIONARY FUNDS OF THE SAFE NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS PROPOSITION OF 1996 ALLOCATED TO THE CITY OF BURBANK TO THE ROBERT OVROM PARK DEVELOPMENT PROJECT (FIFTH DISTRICT — 3 VOTE MATTER)

SUBJECT

These actions will transfer $427,896 in Per Parcel Discretionary Funds allocated to the City of Burbank to increase grant funding for the Robert Ovrom Park Development Project. The project consists of the construction of a community center and various outdoor amenities at Robert Ovrom Park.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

1. Find the proposed actions exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act for the reasons cited herein.

2. Approve the transfer of Per Parcel Discretionary Funds in the amount of $427,896 allocated to the City of Burbank under Section (3), Subsection (c), Paragraph (1) of the Safe Neighborhood Parks Proposition of 1996 from their Buena Vista Library/Abraham Lincoln Park Project to an ongoing development project at Robert Ovrom Park.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTIONS

Approval of the recommended actions will allow the City of Burbank (City) to transfer unspent Per Parcel Discretionary Funds in the amount of $427,896 allocated to the City under Section (3), Subsection (c), Paragraph (1) of the Safe Neighborhood Parks Proposition of 1996 (1996 Proposition). The funds were originally identified for the construction of a passive park adjacent to the new Buena Vista Library. That project was completed with State grant funds.

The proposed 1.55 acre Robert Ovrom Park (formerly named South San Fernando Park) Development Project in Burbank includes the construction of a 6,800 square foot community center, basketball courts, picnic area, play equipment, restrooms, public art and parking lot.

The total project cost of $8,246,868 is funded by $7,643,751.40 in City of Burbank General Funds and Interest, City Development Impact Fees, City Youth Endowment Funds, City Redevelopment Funds, and State and Federal grant funds; $15,000 in Specified Funds allocated under Section (8), Subsection (b), Paragraph (2), Subparagraph (F) of the Safe Neighborhood Parks Proposition of 1992; $160,220.60 in Cities Excess Funds available to the Fifth Supervisorial District and the proposed transfer of $427,896 in Per Parcel Discretionary Funds allocated to the City under Section (3), Subsection (c), Paragraph (1) of the Safe Neighborhood Parks Proposition of 1996. Approval of the requested transfer would bring the RPOSD grant total to $603,116.60.

IMPLEMENTATION OF STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS

The proposed recommendations further the Board approved County Strategic Plan Goal No. 1 (Service Excellence), Goal No 4 (Fiscal Responsibility), Goal No. 5 (Children and Families' Well-being), and Goal No. 6 (Community Services), by enabling the City to provide enhanced recreational opportunities with the development of Robert Ovrom Park.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

Sufficient appropriation for the grant, in the amount of $603,116.60, is budgeted in the Los Angeles County Regional Park and Open Space District's Assessment Project Fund, HB4.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The 1996 Proposition set forth deadlines for agencies to encumber funds allocated to them in the Proposition and further set forth procedures for agencies to request reallocation of those funds, as follows:

Per Parcel Discretionary Funds identified in Section (3), Subsection (c), Paragraph (1) of the 1996 Proposition are subject to reallocation by your Board under the provisions of Section (5), Subsection (d) of the 1996 Proposition. Agencies eligible for these funds were required to encumber their funds by June 30, 2001. Beginning with Fiscal Year 2001-02, any Per Parcel Discretionary Funds not committed to expenditure are available for your Board to award for projects that your Board deems to be of the highest priority and fit within one or more of the classes of expenditures specified in Section (3) of the 1996 Proposition.

If your Board does not approve the City's requests, the City may either request your Board's approval to fund different new projects with the funds, or relinquish its claim to the funds.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

These actions will have no impact on any other projects funded through the District but are required so the City may utilize the funds for the Robert Ovrom Park Development Project.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

All public agency projects funded by the Los Angeles County Regional Park and Open Space District are required to comply with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) as a condition of the grant. The lead agency is responsible for preparing the appropriate environmental documentation for the project. The City of Burbank is the lead agency for the Robert Ovrom Park Development Project.

The proposed administrative actions are not subject to CEQA in that the actions do not meet the definition of a project according to Sections 15378 (b)(4)(5) of the State CEQA Guidelines, because the actions are administrative activities for government grants which by their terms do not involve any commitments to any specific projects which may result in a potentially significant physical impact on the environment.

CONCLUSION

Please instruct the Executive Officer-Clerk of the Board to return one conformed copy of this action to the Chief Executive Office, Capital Projects Division and to the Department of Parks and Recreation.

Respectfully submitted,

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