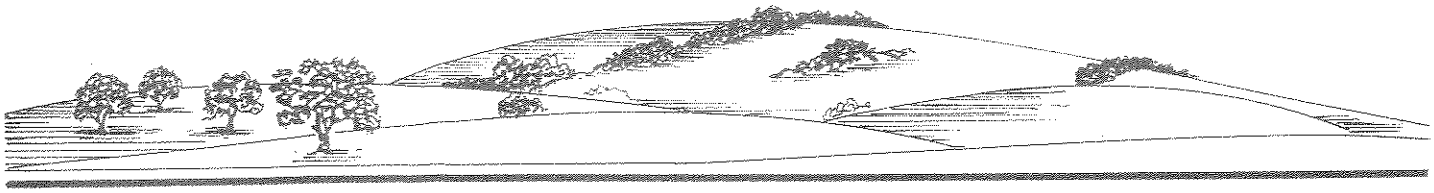

LOS ANGELES COUNTY REGIONAL PARK AND OPEN SPACE DISTRICT

June 26, 2007

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 REALLOCATION OF PER PARCEL DISCRETIONARY FUNDS, AND APPROVE THE REVISED PLANS OF EXPENDITURE AND ALTERNATIVE PLANS FOR EXPENDITURE FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION (ALL DISTRICTS — 3-VOTE MATTER)

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

1. Approve the reallocation of Per Parcel Discretionary funds allocated to the County under Section (3), Subsection (c), Paragraph (1) of the Safe Neighborhood Parks Proposition of 1996 (the 1996 Proposition), as identified in Attachment A.

2. Approve the revised plans of expenditure for the Department of Parks and Recreation (Department) to transfer Specified Project funds allocated under various sections of the 1992 Proposition and alternative plans for expenditure to transfer Specified Project funds allocated under various sections of the 1996 Proposition to the projects identified in Attachment B.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTIONS

Approval of the recommended actions would allow the Department to use unspent District funds allocated to the Department under the 1992 and 1996 Propositions on various projects.

The requested re-allocations, revised plans of expenditure, and alternative plans for expenditure would allow the Department to:

1) use residual funds remaining from completed projects on other high priority projects; and

2) use funds that had been identified for specific projects but not committed under grant agreements by the deadlines required by the Propositions.

The requested re-allocations, revised plans of expenditure, and alternative plans for expenditure are identified in Attachments A and B, respectively.

In a related action on today's agenda, the Chief Administrative Officer and the Department are recommending that your Board consider and approve the requested reallocations and revised plans of expenditure.

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 Service) by enabling the Department to utilize District funds to improve various park facilities throughout the County.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

Sufficient funds for the projects, $3,113,394.52, are budgeted in the Los Angeles County Regional Park and Open Space District's Assessment Project Fund (HB4) under Other Charges to fund the projects identified in the attachments.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The 1992 and 1996 Propositions set forth various deadlines for agencies to encumber funds allocated to them in the two Propositions and further set forth procedures for agencies to request reallocation of those funds, as follows:

Specified Funds – 1992 Proposition
The 1992 Proposition provided funding for projects that were specified in the measure and identified a procedure for revision of those projects prior to July 1, 1998. That procedure remains the method by which specified project funds may be approved by your Board for other uses. An agency may submit a revised plan of expenditure to use the funds for a project that is consistent with the purposes of the 1992 Proposition after the grantee's governing body considers and approves the revision of its project at a public meeting.

Per Parcel Discretionary Funds – 1996 Proposition
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.

Specified Funds – 1996 Proposition
Under the provisions of Section (5), Subsection (e), of the 1996 Proposition an alternative plan for expenditure must be submitted and approved to commit the funds allocated to specified projects between June 30, 2003, and June 30, 2004. As of July 1, 2004, uncommitted Specified Project funds are subject to allocation to other projects by your Board.

If your Board does not approve the Department's requests, the Department may either expend the funds for the uses originally specified, request your Board's approval to fund different new projects with the funds, or relinquish its claim to the funds.

County Counsel has reviewed and approved this action as to form.

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 Department may utilize the funds on the identified projects.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

The proposed actions are not subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (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.

All projects funded by the District are also required to comply with CEQA. The County of Los Angeles is the lead agency for the projects listed in the attachments and as such, have prepared and/or will prepare appropriate environmental documents for the projects.

CONCLUSION

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

Respectfully submitted,

Russ Guiney
Interim Director, Parks and Recreation

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Attachments (2)

c: Chief Administrative Officer
Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors (22)
County Counsel

Reallocation of 1996 Per Parcel Discretionary Funds
Department of Parks and Recreation

Proposition/Section	Amount	From	To	Reason
1996 Discretionary Funds				
Section 3.c.1	$709.61	A. Martin, Avocado Heights, Bassett and San Angelo General Improvement (#1085)	Various 1st District Acquisition and/or Development (#0877)	Residual funds remaining from completed project
Section 3.c.1	$37,252.75	Manzanita and Los Robles General Improvements (#1061)	Various 4th District Parks Acquisition and/or Development (#0880)	Residual funds remaining from completed project
Section 3.c.1	$32,258.30	Lennox Park Rehabilitation (#0582)	Various 2nd District Parks Acquisition and/or Development (#0878)	Residual funds remaining from completed project
Section 3.c.1	$182,000.00	El Cariso Ballfield Lighting Upgrades (#1010)	Mission Canyon Trail (New Grant)	Realign with Prop 12 funds to meet the grant deadline
Total 1996 Discretionary Funds	**$252,220.66**			

Revised Plans of Expenditure - 1992 Specified Funds
Department of Parks and Recreation

Proposition/Section	Amount	From	To	Reason
1992 Specified Funds				
Section 8.a.2.R	$321,860.30	Hollywood Bowl Phase I (#0066)	Hollywood Bowl General Improvements Phase IV (new grant)	Residual funds remaining from completed project
Section 8.a.2.BB	$18,833.92	Placerita Canyon Drinking Water (#0367)	Placerita Canyon Nature Center (#0876)	Reallocation of funds; Project scope increased and funded from State competitive grant
Section 8.a.2.FF	$50,667.50	Los Robles Park Play Area (#0873)	Various 4th District Parks Acquisition and/or Development (#0880)	Residual funds remaining from completed project
Section 8.a.2.FF	$945.75	Carolyn Rosas Community Center Refurbishment (#0471)	Various 4th District Parks Acquisition and/or Development (#0880)	Residual funds remaining from completed project
Section 8.a.2.FF	$21,319.50	Gloria Heer Park Play Area (#0875)	Various 4th District Parks Acquisition and/or Development (#0880)	Residual funds remaining from completed project
Section 8.a.2.HH	$70,020.68	Santa Fe Dam Camp Area (#0690)	Santa Fe Dam General Improvements (#0592)	Residual funds remaining from completed project
Section 8.a.2.LL	$5,000.00	Campanella General Improvement (#0779)	Ladera Park Senior Center (#2052)	Enables DPR to comply with the Civic Art Policy
Total 1992 Specified Funds	**$488,647.65**			

Alternative Plans for Expenditure – 1996 Specified Funds
Department of Parks and Recreation

Proposition/Section	Amount	From	To	Reason
1996 Specified Funds				
Section 3.a.1.B	$50,000.00	La Mirada General Refurbishments (#0732)	Various 4th District Parks Acquisition and/or Development (#0880)	Residual funds remaining from completed project
Section 3.a.1.c	$12,530.00	Jackie Robinson Park Acquisition (#1348)	Various 5th District Parks Acquisition and/or Development (#0881)	Residual funds remaining from completed project
Section 3.a.1.N	$19,987.92	Pearblossom Park Gen. Rehabilitation (#0562)	Various 5th District Parks Acquisition and/or Development (#0881))	Residual funds remaining from completed project
Section 3.a.1.O	$25,073.87	Various E. LA Building & Landscape (1165)	Various 1st District Acquisition and/or Development (#0877)	Residual funds remaining from completed project
Section 3.a.1.P	$818,000.00	El Cariso Ballfield Lighting Upgrades (#1010)	El Cariso Gym/Community Building (New Grant)	Realign with Prop 12 funds to meet the grant deadline
Section 3.a.1.U	$50,000	Jesse Owens Park Pool, Gym & General Improvements (#0750)	Jesse Owens Gym Restrooms Improvements	To separate restrooms from pool grant and close completed pool project
Section 3.a.1.GG	$21,986.00	Pearblossom Park Gen. Rehabilitation (#0562)	Various 5th District Parks Acquisition and/or Development (#0881)	Residual funds remaining from completed projects

Alternative Plans for Expenditure – 1996 Specified Funds
Department of Parks and Recreation

Proposition/Section	Amount	From	To	Reason
1996 Specified Funds				
Section 3.a.1.RR	$3,815.58	La Mirada General Refurbishments (#0732)	Various 4th District Parks Acquisition and/or Development (#0880)	Residual funds remaining from completed project
Section 3.a.1.RR	$5,000.00	Bill Blevins General Improvement (#0884)	Cerritos General Improvement Project (0687)	Enables DPR to comply with the Civic Art Policy
Section 3.a.1.UU	$78,718.00	Washington & Bethune General Improvements (#0811)	Various 2nd District Acquisition and/or Development (#0878)	Residual funds remaining from completed projects
Section 3.a.1.VV	$46,456.63	Various E. San Gabriel Park-Building and Landscape Renovation (#0793)	Various 1st District Acquisition and/or Development (#0877)	Residual funds remaining from completed project
Section 3.a.1.VV	$10,131.16	Roosevelt Skate Park (#0866)	Roosevelt Synthetic Soccer Field (new grant)	Residual funds remaining from completed project
Section 3.a.1.ZZ	$250,849.59	Washington & Bethune General Improvements (#0811)	Various 2nd District Acquisition and/or Development (#0878)	Residual funds remaining from completed project
Section 3.a.1.AAA	$200,000.00	Whittier Narrows General Improvements (#0762)	Whittier Narrows Nature Center (New Grant)	To separate Nature Center from General Improvements

Alternative Plans for Expenditure – 1996 Specified Funds
Department of Parks and Recreation

Proposition/Section	Amount	From	To	Reason
1996 Specified Funds				
Section 3.a.1.GG	$5,811.66	Pearblossom Natural Area Acquisition (#1347)	Various 5th District Acquisition and/or Development (#0881)	Residual funds remaining from completed project
Section 3.a.1.PP	$53,357.60	Schabarum Park General Improvements (#0186)	Various 4th District Acquisition and/or Development (#0880)	Residual funds remaining from completed project
Section 3.a.1.BBB	$465,484.01	Whittier Narrows General Improvements (#0762)	Whittier Narrows General Improvements Phase II (New Grant)	Residual funds from completed project
Section 3.b.2	$200,750.38	Kenneth Hahn State Recreation Area-Soccer Fields (#1020)	Kenneth Hahn State Recreation Area General Improvements Phase II (New Grant)	Residual funds from completed project
Section 3.b.2	$54,573.81	Kenneth Hahn State Recreation Area General Development (#0069)	Kenneth Hahn State Recreation Area General Improvements Phase II (New Grant)	Residual funds from completed project
Total 1996 Specified Funds	**$2,372,526.21**			