



Los Angeles County Regional Park And Open Space District

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

Dear Directors:

ADOPTED

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

1-P December 1, 2015


PATRICK OGAWA
ACTING EXECUTIVE OFFICER

**APPROVE TRANSFER OF PER PARCEL DISCRETIONARY FUNDS OF THE SAFE NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS PROPOSITION OF 1996, ALLOCATE SPECIFIED EXCESS FUNDS AVAILABLE TO THE FIFTH SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT, AND AUTHORIZE AWARD AND ADMINISTRATION OF A GRANT TO THE CITY OF SOUTH PASADENA FOR THE DOG PARK PROJECT
(SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 5) (3 VOTES)**

SUBJECT

Approval of the recommended actions will reallocate an amount not to exceed \$22,800 in unspent Per Parcel Fund of the Safe Neighborhood Parks Proposition of 1996, and allocate an amount not to exceed \$208,000 in Specified Excess Funds available to the Fifth Supervisorial District, for a total not to exceed amount of \$230,800, to the City of South Pasadena for the development of a dog park.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:

1. Find that the recommended actions do not constitute a project pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act for the reasons stated herein and the reasons reflected in the record of the project.
2. Approve the transfer of Per Parcel Discretionary Funds in the amount not to exceed \$22,800, originally allocated to the City of South Pasadena under Section (3), Subsection (c), Paragraph (1), pursuant to the Los Angeles County Safe Neighborhood Parks Proposition of 1996, to the City of South Pasadena for its Dog Park Project.

3. Allocate Specified Excess Funds, available to the Fifth Supervisorial District, in an amount not to exceed \$208,000 to the City of South Pasadena for its Dog Park Project.

4. Authorize the Acting Director of the Department of Parks and Recreation, in his capacity as Acting Director of the Los Angeles County Regional Park and Open Space District, to award a grant to the City of South Pasadena when applicable conditions have been met, and to administer the grant as of the date of award and pursuant to guidelines in the Procedural Guide for Specified, Per Parcel, and Excess Funds Projects; otherwise, funds shall remain in the Excess Funds account.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

Approval of the recommended actions will allow the City of South Pasadena (City) to utilize an amount not to exceed \$22,800 in unspent Per Parcel Discretionary Funds, originally allocated to the City under Section (3), Subsection (c), Paragraph (1), pursuant to the Los Angeles County Safe Neighborhood Parks Proposition of 1996 (1996 Proposition), to fund its proposed Dog Park Project (Project).

The proposed Project involves the development of a dog park in the Arroyo Recreational Area of the City of South Pasadena, adjacent to the Arroyo Seco Tributary of the Los Angeles River, including site preparation and construction inclusive of utility services and park amenities. The total project cost is estimated at \$530,800. The recommended Per Parcel Discretionary Funds and Specified Excess Funds will be supplemented by \$100,000 from the City's General Fund and by \$200,000 from Park Impact Fee.

It is also recommended, that the Acting Director of the Department of Parks and Recreation (Acting Director), in his capacity as Acting Director of the Los Angeles County Regional Park and Open Space District, be authorized to award a grant to the City when applicable conditions have been met. Applicable conditions include grantee qualifications, consistency between the project and requirements of the 1996 Propositions, as well as grantee agreement with California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) requirements for the project. It is further recommended that the Acting Director be authorized to administer the grant under procedures previously approved by the Board.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The proposed recommendations further the Board's approved County Strategic Plan Goals of Operational Effectiveness/Fiscal Sustainability (Goal 1) by improving and enhancing healthy activities in the Fifth Supervisorial District.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

Sufficient appropriation for the grant, in an amount not to exceed \$230,800, is budgeted in the Los Angeles County Regional Park and Open Space District's (RPOSD) Assessment Project Fund, HB4 and Excess Project Funds, HD6.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The 1996 Proposition requires that agencies to which funds were allocated under the Safe Neighborhood Parks Propositions of 1992 and 1996 encumber all such funds prior to receiving grants of Excess Funds. The City meets this requirement.

The 1996 Proposition provides a method for determining, each fiscal year, the amount of funds available in the following fiscal year to fund capital improvement projects in addition to the amounts specifically identified for projects in the Safe Neighborhood Parks Propositions of 1992 and 1996. The recommended grant will be funded from the Excess Funds available to the Fifth Supervisorial District for Specified Projects.

The Board may establish additional conditions on grants of Excess Funds. The Acting Director will be authorized to award grants when all applicable conditions have been met. Any funds allocated by the Board, but not encumbered by award of a grant contract in the same fiscal year, shall be available for allocation by the Board in the following fiscal year.

On June 2, 2009, the Board approved the Procedural Guide to govern the administration of RPOSD grants. The Procedural Guide will appropriately govern the administration of the recommended grant as well.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

Approval of the recommended actions is not a project pursuant to CEQA because it is an activity that is excluded from the definition of a project by Section 15378(b) (4) (5) of the State CEQA Guidelines. The proposed actions are a creation of government funding mechanism and administrative activities of government, which will not result in direct or indirect physical changes to the environment.

All projects funded by RPOSD are required to comply with CEQA as a condition of the grant. The lead agency is responsible for preparing the appropriate environmental documentation for the project. The City is the lead agency for the proposed Project.

The appropriate environmental documents for the Project will be brought to the Board for consideration prior to requesting authorization to construct the Project.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

A Project Agreement will be entered into and administered under authority delegated to the Acting Director and pursuant to the Procedural Guide approved by the Board in 2009 only if all applicable conditions of the grant have been met. The Project Agreement will be approved as to form by County Counsel.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

The recommended actions will have no impact on any other projects funded by RPOSD. The recommended projects will promote healthy activities in public spaces in the Fifth Supervisorial District.

CONCLUSION

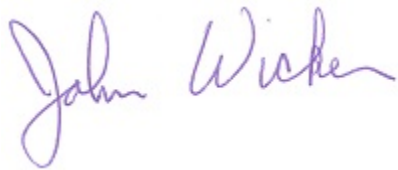
Please instruct the Acting Executive Officer-Clerk of the Board to return one adopted copy of this action to the Chief Executive Office, Capital Programs Division, and one to the Department of Parks and Recreation.

The Honorable Board of Directors

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Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in purple ink that reads "John Wicker". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "J" and "W".

JOHN WICKER

Acting Director

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c: Chief Executive Officer
County Counsel
Acting Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors