

# COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION

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Norma E. García-González, Director

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April 1, 2025

The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

ATHENS PARK SWIMMING POOL RENOVATION PROJECT ESTABLISH AND APPROVE CAPITAL PROJECT, PROJECT SCOPE, BUDGET, AND APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENT CAPITAL PROJECT NO. 8A105 (SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 2) (FY2024-25, 4-VOTES)

## **SUBJECT**

Approval of the recommended actions will find the proposed Athens Park Swimming Pool Renovation Project exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act; establish and approve the proposed capital project; approve the project scope, budget, and appropriation adjustment; and authorize the Director of Parks and Recreation, or her designee, to proceed with the proposed project through a Board-approved Job Order Contract.

#### IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:

- 1. Find the proposed Athens Park Swimming Pool Renovation Project categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act for the reasons stated in this Board Letter and in the records of the project.
- 2. Establish and approve the proposed Athens Park Swimming Pool Renovation Project, Capital Project Number 8A105, with a total project budget of \$550,000.
- 3. Approve an appropriation adjustment to increase \$550,000 in appropriation for the proposed project, offset with \$550,000 in grant revenue from the Los Angeles County Regional Park and Open Space District's Safe, Clean Neighborhood Parks, Open Space, Beaches, Rivers Protection, and Water Conservation Measure of 2016 (Measure A) to fully fund the proposed project.

4. Authorize the Director of Parks and Recreation, or her designee, to deliver the proposed Athens Park Swimming Pool Renovations Project through a Board-approved Job Order Contract.

#### PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

Approval of the recommended actions will find the proposed Athens Park Swimming Pool Renovation Project (Project) exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act; establish and approve Capital Project (CP) No. 8A105; approve the proposed Project scope, budget, and appropriation adjustment; and will authorize the Department of Parks and Recreation (Department) to implement the proposed Project through a Board-approved Job Order Contract (JOC).

Athens Park is an 18-acre park located at 12603 S Broadway, in the unincorporated community of Willowbrook, and features two large baseball fields, gymnasium, swimming pool, large community room, and computer lab. Athens Park is located in a high park need study area, as determined by the 2016 Los Angeles Countywide Comprehensive Parks and Recreation Needs Assessment. In addition to the attractive urban parkland, Athens Park provides year-round recreational programs, including after school and summer day camps, Parks After Dark, youth sports such as basketball, baseball, football, cheerleading, and lifeguard training. The swimming pool is located adjacent to the recently renovated historic pool house in the northeast section of the park and features several recent improvements, including new LED lighting on the pool deck and underwater lighting.

The pool is heavily used during the summer months and provides valuable respite from the heat for the community. Usage is expected to increase due to the extended pool hours made possible by the upgraded lighting. Over the past several years, the pool deck and plaster have shown significant wear, including cracking in both the pool deck and plaster. These issues require repair to prevent further damage, pool closures, and potential safety concerns. The proposed Project will renovate portions of the existing pool deck and replace the pool plaster.

The proposed Project will be delivered though a Board-approved JOC.

## Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The proposed recommendations will further the County Strategic Plan Goals to Make Investment That transform Lives (North Star 1) through Healthy Individuals and Families (Strategy 1.A.ii) by promoting healthy lifestyles and the improvement of physical health outcomes, and to Realize Tomorrow's Government Today (North Star 3) through Equity-Centered Policies and Practices (Strategy 3.C.i) by implementing projects that are equity-based and seek racial, social, and economic equity in County parks and through Internal Controls and Processes (Strategy 3.G.ii) by effectively managing County park assets in

ways that are fiscally responsible and align with the County's highest priority needs.

Implementation of County Sustainability Goals

The OurCounty Sustainability Plan, adopted in 2019, establishes goals to address the environmental impacts of climate change and the subsequent social challenges. The proposed Project will be designed to achieve the goals of creating buildings and infrastructure that support human health and resilience (Goal 2), and creating accessible parks, public lands, and public spaces that create opportunities for respite, recreation, ecological discovery, and cultural activities (Goal 6).

## FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The total estimated proposed Project cost of \$550,000 includes jurisdictional review, construction, change order/contingency, and County services. The Project Schedule and Budget Summary are included in Attachment I.

The proposed Project is fully funded by the Regional Park and Open Space District (RPOSD), Los Angeles County Safe, Clean Neighborhood Parks and Beaches Measure of 2016 (Measure A) annual allocation grant program in the amount of \$550,000.

Approval of the appropriation adjustment (Attachment II) will reflect a total increase of \$550,000 in appropriation to the Athens Park Swimming Pool Improvements Project, Capital Project No. 8A105, fully offset with the Measure A annual allocation grant program.

## **Operating Budget Impact**

Based on the proposed Project description, the Department does not anticipate any one-time start-up and ongoing costs. The provisions of the proposed Project have maintenance requirements that will be fulfilled with existing Department staff and resources.

## FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

Approval of the recommended actions will authorize the Department to deliver the proposed Project utilizing a Board-approved JOC, as the work involves repair, remodeling, and refurbishing of County facilities. The standard Board-directed clauses that provide for contract termination, renegotiation, and hiring qualified displaced County employees will be included in the JOC.

The JOC contractor who is awarded this contract will be required to fully comply with Los Angeles County Code Chapter 2.200 (Child Support Compliance Program), Chapter 2.203 (Contractor Employee Jury Service Program), and Chapter 2.201

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(Living Wage Program). The proposed Project will proceed in accordance with the Board's consolidated Local and Targeted Worker Hire Policy (LTWHP) adopted on September 6, 2016, and last amended on June 11, 2019.

In accordance with the Board's Civic Art Policy, adopted on December 7, 2004, and last amended on August 4, 2020, the proposed Project is exempt from the Civic Art Allocation as it involves repairs at the pool shell, deck, and related areas.

Funding acknowledgement and maintenance of this project in perpetuity is required by RPOSD in accordance with the Measure A Annual Allocation funding.

## **ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION**

The proposed project is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). The project, which includes the renovation of portions of the existing pool deck and the replacement of the pool plaster, is within certain classes of projects that have been determined not to have a significant effect on the environment in that they meet the criteria set forth in sections 15301 (d) and 15302(c) of the State CEQA Guidelines and Classes 1 (c) and 2 (e) of the County's Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines, Appendix G. The project provides for restoration or rehabilitation of deteriorated or damaged structures, facilities, or mechanical equipment to meet current standards of public health and safety, and replacement or reconstruction of existing structures and facilities involving negligible or no expansion of capacity.

Based on the proposed project records, it will comply with all applicable regulations, and there are no cumulative impacts, unusual circumstances, damage to scenic highways, listing on hazardous waste site lists compiled pursuant to Government Code section 65962.5, or indications that it may cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource that would make the exemption inapplicable.

Upon your Board's approval of the recommended actions, the Department will file a Notice of Exemption with the County Clerk in accordance with section 21152 of the California Public Resources Code.

## **CONTRACTING PROCESS**

Implementation of the renovations will be completed using a Board-approved JOC. The Department has made the determination that JOC is the most appropriate procurement method for delivery of the construction scope.

# IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

The recommended actions will require temporary closure of some areas of the Aquatic Facility, including the swimming pool and adjacent decking. The Department will minimize and mitigate disruption by phasing work and providing advanced notification to the public. The Department will coordinate closures with the Athens Park staff to minimize disruption to the public.

## CONCLUSION

Upon approval by the Board, please instruct the Executive Officer-Clerk of the Board to forward one adopted copy of this letter to the Chief Executive Office, Capital Projects Division, and three copies to the Department of Parks and Recreation.

Should you have any questions, please contact Robert Nava at (626) 588-5349 or rnava@parks.lacounty.gov, or Daniel Abratte at (626) 588-5350 or dabratte@parks.lacounty.gov, or Johanna Hernandez at (626) 588-5370 or bll@parks.lacounty.gov.

Respectfully submitted,

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Norma E. García-González

Director

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County Counsel
Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors
Arts and Culture (Civic Art Division)
Parks and Recreation

## **ATTACHMENT I**

ATHENS PARK SWIMMING POOL RENOVATION PROJECT ESTABLISH AND APPROVE CAPITAL PROJECT, PROJECT SCOPE, BUDGET, AND APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENT CAPITAL PROJECT NO. 8A105 (SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 2) (FY2024-25, 4-VOTES)

## I. PROJECT SCHEDULE SUMMARY

Project Activity	Scheduled Completion Date  April 2025		
Board Approval			
Jurisdictional Approvals	April 2025		
Construction Award	April 2025		
Substantial Completion	October 2025		
Project Acceptance	November 2025		

## II. PROJECT BUDGET SUMMARY

Project Activity	Proposed Project Budget		
Construction			
Construction	\$	430,000	
Change Orders	\$	75,000	
Subtotal	\$	505,000	
Jurisdictional Review/Permits	\$	25,000	
County Services	\$	20,000	
TOTAL	\$	550,000	

## **ATTACHMENT II**

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APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENT (SEE ATTACHED)

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**COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES** 

#### **REQUEST FOR APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENT**

**DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION** 

AUDITOR-CONTROLLER:

THE FOLLOWING APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENT IS DEEMED NECESSARY BY THIS DEPARTMENT. PLEASE CONFIRM THE ACCOUNTING ENTRIES AND AVAILABLE BALANCES AND FORWARD TO THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER FOR HER RECOMMENDATION OR ACTION.

> ADJUSTMENT REQUESTED AND REASONS THEREFORE FY 2024-25

4 - VOTES

SOURCES

USES

**PARKS AND RECREATION** ATHENS PARK SWIMMING POOL RENOVATION PROJECT A01-CP-91-R410-65043-8A105 REGIONAL PARK AND OPEN SPACE DISTRICT-MEASURE A **INCREASE REVENUE** 

550,000

PARKS AND RECREATION ATHENS PARK SWIMMING POOL RENOVATION PROJECT A01-CP-6014-65043-8A105 **CAPITAL ASSETS - B & I INCREASE APPROPRIATION** 

550,000

**SOURCES TOTAL** 

550,000

**USES TOTAL** 

550,000

JUSTIFICATION

Reflects an Increase of \$550,000 in appropriation to the Athens Park Swimming Pool Renovation Project, Capital Project Number 8A105, offset with grant revenue from the Los Angeles County Regional Park and Open Space District, Safe, Clean Neighborhood Parks, Open Space, Beaches, Rivers Protection, and Water Conservation Measure of 2016 (Measure A), to fully fund the proposed project.

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**AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE** 

Carolyn Bernardez, Chief Financial Officer

**BOARD OF SUPERVISOR'S APPROVAL (AS REQUESTED/REVISED)** 

REFERRED TO THE CHIEF **EXECUTIVE OFFICER FOR---** ACTION

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RECOMMENDATION

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

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