



COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION

"Parks Make Life Better!"

Norma E. García-González, Director

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December 09, 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:

**RICHARD RIOUX PARK PICKLEBALL COURTS EXPANSION PROJECT
ESTABLISH AND APPROVE CAPITAL PROJECT
APPROVE PROJECT SCOPE AND BUDGET
APPROVE APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENT
AUTHORIZE USE OF JOB ORDER CONTRACTS
CAPITAL PROJECT NO. 6A027
(SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 5) (FY 2025-26, 4-VOTES)**

SUBJECT

Approval of the recommended actions will find the proposed Richard Rioux Park Pickleball Courts Expansion Project (Project) exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act; establish and approve the proposed capital project, project scope, budget, and appropriation adjustment; and authorize the Director of County of Los Angeles Department of Parks and Recreation (LA County Parks), or her designee, to deliver the proposed capital project through a Board-approved Job Order Contract.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:

1. Find the proposed Richard Rioux Park Pickleball Courts Expansion Project categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act for the reasons stated in this Board letter and in the record of the project.
2. Establish and approve the proposed Richard Rioux Park Pickleball Courts Expansion Project, Capital Project No. 6A027, with a total project budget of \$600,000.
3. Approve an appropriation adjustment to reflect an increase of \$600,000 in appropriation to the

proposed Richard Rioux Park Pickleball Courts Expansion Project, Capital Project No. 6A027, fully offset with grant revenue from the Los Angeles County Regional Park and Open Space District, Los Angeles County Safe, Clean Neighborhood Parks, Open Space, Beaches, Rivers Protection, and Water Conservation Measure of 2016 (Measure A), annual allocation grant program to fully fund the proposed Project.

4. Authorize the Director of County of Los Angeles Department of Parks and Recreation, or her designee, to deliver the proposed Project through a Board-approved Job Order Contracts.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

Approval of the recommended actions will find the proposed Project exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA); establish and approve Capital Project (CP) No. 6A027; approve the proposed Project scope, budget, and appropriation adjustment; and will authorize the County of Los Angeles Department of Parks and Recreation (LA County Parks), to implement the proposed Project through a Board-approved Job Order Contract (JOC).

Richard Rioux Park is a 17-acre community park located at 26233 Faulkner Drive, in unincorporated Stevenson Ranch. Richard Rioux Park offers stunning views and a variety of amenities including a playground, open lawn areas, baseball/softball field, a basketball court, picnic areas, tennis courts, a running track, and an outdoor stage.

According to the 2022 Los Angeles Countywide Comprehensive Park Needs Assessment Plus (PNA +), Richard Rioux Park is located in an area of very low park need. Yet, its reach extends well beyond its boundaries, serving families and residents from nearby neighborhoods where park resources are more limited. Based on feedback from the September 2024 LA County Parks community meeting, residents are overwhelmingly in favor of more space to play pickleball and tennis. These sports have become a cornerstone of community life, bringing together people of all ages for recreation, friendship, and healthy activity. Within a five-mile radius of Richard Rioux Park there are currently no other LA County Parks sport courts. The closest option is the Ryan M Clinkunbroomer Castaic Sports Complex, which is located ten miles North. However, the existing courts are crowded and in constant use, leaving many waiting for their turn or unable to play at all. The proposed Project responds to this by expanding the sports court facilities to better serve local demand for pickleball while retaining existing tennis courts, support active and social lifestyles, and strengthen the sense of connection that makes Richard Rioux Park a true gathering place for the community - all while preserving the park's existing amenities.

The proposed Project scope includes installing additional seating and viewing areas; remodeling the existing Park parameters to accommodate additional court space for two pickleball courts; refurbishment of existing tennis courts; updating the adjacent landscape areas by reducing turf and improving drainage; remodeling walkways to improve accessibility to the courts; and making refurbishments to related amenities.

The proposed Project will be delivered through a Board-approved JOC. LA County Parks staff will utilize the services of Board-approved as-needed consultants to provide the plans and specifications for the proposed Project.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The proposed recommendations will further the County Strategic Plan Goals to Foster Vibrant and Resilient Communities (North Star 2) through Sustainability (Strategy 3.D.i,iii) by mitigating climate

change, building resilient communities, and supporting thriving ecosystems, habitats, and biodiversity, and to Realize Tomorrow's Government Today (North Star 3) 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 support Goal 5, Strategy 5A, by removing turf grass and replacing with a more diverse palette of drought tolerant and native plantings; Goal 6, Strategy 6A, by improving access to parks, public lands, and public spaces so that all visitors may enjoy their benefits.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The total cost for the proposed Project includes construction, change order/contingency, jurisdictional review, and plans and specifications. The proposed Project Schedules and Budget Summaries are included in Attachment I.

The proposed Project is fully funded by 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) annual allocation grant program in the amount of \$600,000

Approval of the appropriation adjustment (Attachment II) will increase appropriation by \$600,000 to the Richard Rioux Park Pickleball Courts Expansion Project, CP No. 6A027, fully offset with Measure A funds.

Operating Budget Impact

Based on the proposed project description, LA County Parks does not anticipate any one-time start-up and ongoing costs. The proposed Project has maintenance requirements that will be fulfilled with existing departmental staff and resources.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

Approval of the recommended actions will authorize LA County Parks to implement the proposed Project using 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, negotiation, and hiring 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 (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. The proposed project will include a best-efforts goal that at least 30 percent (30%) of the total California craft worker hours for refurbishment work on the project be performed by local residents.

Projects funded with Measure A must be maintained in perpetuity. As such, a deed restriction which

identifies the project must be recorded.

In accordance with the Board's Civic Art Policy, adopted on December 7, 2004, and last amended on August 4, 2020, the proposed Project budget includes one percent (1%) of eligible design and construction costs, in the amount of \$6,000, to be allocated towards Civic Art and used on site.

Additionally, in accordance with Measure A's Annual Allocation Program, installing a funding acknowledgement sign at the project site will be required.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

The proposed Project is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). The project, which includes the addition of two new pickleball courts, expanded seating areas with shade, turf reduction and improved drainage, path of travel upgrades to enhance accessibility, and improvements to related amenities, is within certain classes of projects that have been determined not to have a significant effect on the environment in that it meets the criteria set forth in sections 15301 (d)(h), 15302(c), and 15303(e) of the State CEQA Guidelines and Classes 1(c)(j), 2(e) and 3(b) of the County's Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines, Appendix G. The proposed project provides for minor alteration of existing public facilities; replacement or reconstruction of existing structures and facilities; and construction of small new facilities.

In addition, based on the proposed Project records, it will comply with all applicable regulations, and it is not in a sensitive environment, 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, LA County Parks will file a Notice of Exemption with the County Clerk in accordance with section 21152 of the California Public Resources Code.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

Design work, including plans and specifications, and cost estimating services will be completed by Board-approved as-needed consultants.

Implementation of the improvements will be completed using a Board-approved JOC. LA County Parks 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 have limited impacts to County services or projects at this facility. LA County Parks will coordinate with contractors and park staff to minimize closures and mitigate disruption to the facility and parking areas.

CONCLUSION

The Honorable Board of Supervisors

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Upon approval by the Board, please instruct the Executive Office-Clerk of the Board, to forward one adopted copy to the Chief Executive Office, Capital Projects Division, and one adopted copy to the County of Los Angeles Department of Parks and Recreation (LA County Parks).

Should you have any questions, please contact Seth Babb at (213) 732-4521 or sbabb@parks.lacounty.gov, Daniel Abratte at (626) 588-5350 or dabratte@parks.lacounty.gov, or Johanna Hernandez at (626) 588-5370 or bh@parks.lacounty.gov.

Respectfully submitted,



Norma E. Garcia-Gonzalez

Director

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Enclosures

c: Chief Executive Officer
County Counsel
Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors
Auditor Controller
Arts and Culture (Civic Art Division)
LA County Parks

ATTACHMENT I

**RICHARD RIOUX PARK PICKLEBALL COURTS EXPANSION PROJECT
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I. PROJECT SCHEDULE SUMMARY

| Project Activity | Richard Rioux Park Pickleball Courts Expansion Project CP No. 6A027 |
|----------------------------------|--|
| Board Letter | December 2025 |
| Construction Documents | March 2026 |
| Jurisdictional Approvals/Permits | June 2026 |
| Construction Award | July 2026 |
| Substantial Completion | November 2026 |
| Project Acceptance | December 2026 |

II. PROJECT BUDGET SUMMARY

| Project Activity | |
|----------------------------------|-------------------|
| Construction | |
| Construction | \$ 417,000 |
| Contingency | \$ 63,000 |
| Subtotal | \$ 480,000 |
| Soft Costs | |
| Plans and Specifications | \$ 82,000 |
| Civic Arts | \$ 6,000 |
| Jurisdictional Approvals/Permits | \$ 14,000 |
| County Services | \$ 18,000 |
| Subtotal | \$ 120,000 |
| TOTAL | \$ 600,000 |

ATTACHMENT II

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(SEE ATTACHED)

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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 2025-26

4 - VOTES

| SOURCES | | USES | |
|---|---------|---|---------|
| PARKS AND RECREATION RICHARD RIOUX PARK PICKLEBALL COURTS EXPANSION PROJECT A01-CP-91-R410-65043-6A027 REGIONAL PARK AND OPEN SPACE DISTRICT-MEASURE A INCREASE REVENUE | 600,000 | PARKS AND RECREATION RICHARD RIOUX PARK PICKLEBALL COURTS EXPANSION PROJECT A01-CP-6014-65043-6A027 CAPITAL ASSETS - B & I INCREASE APPROPRIATION | 600,000 |
| SOURCES TOTAL | | USES TOTAL | |
| \$ 600,000 | | \$ 600,000 | |

JUSTIFICATION

Reflects an increase of \$600,000 in appropriation to the Richard Rioux Park Pickleball Courts Expansion Project, Capital Project No. 6A027, fully offset with grant revenue from the Los Angeles County Regional Park and Open Space District, Safe, Clean Neighborhood Parks, Open Space, Beaches, Rivers Protection, & Water Conservation Measure of 2016 (Measure A) annual allocation grant program, to fully fund the project.

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Carolyn Bernardez, Chief Financial Officer

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

REFERRED TO THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER FOR---

ACTION

RECOMMENDATION

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CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

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