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MOTION BY SUPERVISOR HILDA L. SOLIS OCTOBER 6, 2026

Whittier Narrows Recreation Area Splash Pad Project: Approve Revised Project Budget and Appropriation Adjustment; Adopt Youth Employment Plan

On January 13, 2026, the Board approved the Whittier Narrows Recreation Area Splash Pad Project (Project) located at Whittier Narrows Recreation Area, a Los Angeles County Department of Parks and Recreation facility, at 750 Santa Anita Avenue, in Unincorporated Whittier Narrows. The splash pad will be in "Area D" of the park, north of Legg Lake. According to the 2022 Parks Needs Assessment Plus, as a regional park with a 25-mile service radius, Whittier Narrows Recreation Area serves many communities experiencing moderate to very high park need, including Unincorporated Bassett-West Puente Valley, Unincorporated East Los Angeles, Unincorporated Covina, and Unincorporated East San Gabriel-Arcadia. The delivery of the Project will provide a water play experience benefitting a large regional service area with very high park needs.

The Project will provide children and families with a safe and fun place to recreate annually from early spring through the end of fall. The splash pad will also provide an important cooling amenity during periods of extreme heat. Strategy 1.3 of the Los Angeles County Heat Action Plan (CHAP) calls for integrating more cooling features into

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outdoor recreational and gathering spaces and specifically identifies splash pads at parks as one such feature. The splash pad is expected to be a very popular new amenity and attract many daily visitors, especially families above the current attendance levels, substantially increasing operational demands at the Whittier Narrows Recreation Area.

The Project scope of work includes the installation of a splash pad with water spray; seating areas; renovated accessible parking and paved path of travel to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act; and irrigation and new climate-appropriate landscaping, including shade trees within, and around, the splash pad.

On January 13, 2026, the Board found the Whittier Narrows Recreation Area Splash Pad Project exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and a Notice of Exemption (NOE) was filed. The Board also approved the Project and Project budget of $4,500,000, including an appropriation adjustment increase of $500,000 from Safe, Clean Neighborhood Parks, Open Space, Beaches, Rivers Protection, and Water Conservation Measure of 2016 (Measure A), available to the First Supervisorial District, to the original Project funding of $4,000,000 from the State of California Parks and Recreation's Per Capita Program funds (Proposition 68). The Board adopted plans and specifications, directed the advertising for construction bids, and authorized Public Works to award and execute a Consultant Services Agreement and Construction Contract for the Project. The advertising for construction bids was conducted in accordance with the

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County's standards. Six bids were received on February 23, 2026; however, all were determined to be over the approved estimated construction cost for the full scope of the Project.

As the bids submitted for the Project were over budget, on June 9, 2026, the Board authorized Public Works to reject all bids and readvertise for bids in accordance with Section 20125 of the State Public Contract Code. The Board was also notified that the total project budget might be increased in a future Board action.

To bridge the anticipated funding shortfall, the Department of Parks and Recreation applied for, and was awarded, an additional $1,000,000 of funding by the Los Angeles County Regional Park and Open Space District (RPOSD), available to the First Supervisorial District, to the proposed Project. Funding includes $450,467.17 from RPOSD, Safe, Clean Neighborhood Parks, Open Space, Beaches, Rivers Protection, and Water Conservation Measure of 2016 (Measure A); and $549,532.83 from Proposition A Excess Funds pursuant to the Los Angeles County Safe Neighborhood Parks Proposition of 1996 (Prop A). These funds will be added into the Project to increase the total Project budget from $4,500,000 to $5,500,000.

The majority of the project funding, $4,000,000 from the State of California Parks and Recreation's Per Capita Program funds (Proposition 68), expires at the end of December 2027. Therefore, it is imperative that additional funding of this motion is in

place and construction can begin in November 2026, so the majority of the project funding is not at risk.

In accordance with the Board's Civic Art Policy, adopted on December 7, 2004, and last amended on August 4, 2020, the Project budget includes one percent of the eligible design and construction costs to be allocated to Civic Art. This proposed action increases the previous Civic Art allocation by $9,000, for a new total Civic Art allocation of $36,000, to be allocated toward Civic Art and used on-site within the performance period.

Additionally, in accordance with RPOSD's Measure A Annual Allocation Program, a funding acknowledgement is required and grant funded improvements are to be maintained in perpetuity. As such, a deed restriction which identifies the Project must be recorded.

A Youth Employment Plan (YEP) is required for all projects funded with RPOSD Prop A funds. Additionally, the YEP must be adopted by the governing body of the grantee at a duly noticed public meeting. Approval of the attached YEP will comply with the grant requirements.

I, THEREFORE, MOVE that the Board of Supervisors:

1. Suspend Section 22.1 of the Rules of the Board for the limited purpose of considering this motion.
2. Find that the actions related to funding and use of a youth employment plan for the previously approved project herein are excluded from the definition of a project

pursuant to Public Resources Code section 21065 and are administrative actions of government pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines section 15378(b) that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes in the environment. There have been no changes to the Project or the circumstances under which it is undertaken.

3. Approve an appropriation adjustment to reflect a total increase of $1,000,000, available to the First Supervisorial District, as follows: $450,000 from RPOSD, Safe, Clean Neighborhood Parks, Open Space, Beaches, Rivers Protection, and Water Conservation Measure of 2016 (Measure A); and $550,000 from Proposition A Excess Funds pursuant to the Los Angeles County Safe Neighborhood Parks Proposition of 1996 (Prop A) to the Whittier Narrows Recreation Area Splash Pad Project, Capital Project No. 69539, to fully fund the Project.
4. Adopt a Youth Employment Plan for the Whittier Narrows Recreation Area Splash Pad Project, Capital Project No. 69539, in order to meet the requirements of Prop A Excess Funds Grant Program from RPOSD.
5. Approve the revised total Project budget of $5,500,000 for the Whittier Narrows Recreation Area Splash Pad Project, Capital Project 69539, which is an increase of $1,000,000 from the previously approved budget of $4,500,000.
6. Authorize one percent of the eligible design and construction costs in the amount of $36,000 to be allocated to Civic Art.

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YOUTH EMPLOYMENT PLAN

BACKGROUND:

The Safe Neighborhood Parks Proposition of 1996 will provide $549,532 to the County of Los Angeles for the Whittier Narrows Recreation Area Splash Pad Project to provide children and families with a safe and fun place to recreate annually from early spring through the end of fall.

The proposed Project will include installation of shade elements throughout the splash pad area. This work will be funded by $549,532 of Proposition A Excess Funds and funds from the Safe, Clean Water Program. LA County Public Works will deliver the proposed Project.

Tasks that may be performed by At-Risk Youth

Due to the specialized nature of the Project, there is no work for youth to perform.

Estimated Cost of Youth Employment

Not applicable

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Not applicable

Youth Employment Goal:

The Youth Employment Goal (YEG) established for the County of Los Angeles was $15,739,750. The County has exceeded this goal.

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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 RECOMMENDATION OR ACTION.

ADJUSTMENT REQUESTED AND REASONS THEREFORE
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SOURCES		USES	
PARKS AND RECREATION **WHITTIER NARROWS SPLASH PAD** A01-CP-91-R410-65043-69539 REGIONAL PARK AND OPEN SPACE DISTRICT-MEASURE A **INCREASE REVENUE**	450,000	PARKS AND RECREATION **WHITTIER NARROWS SPLASH PAD** A01-CP-6014-65043-69539 CAPITAL ASSETS - B & I **INCREASE APPROPRIATION**	1,000,000
PARKS AND RECREATION **WHITTIER NARROWS SPLASH PAD** A01-CP-91-R400-65043-69539 REGIONAL PARK AND OPEN SPACE DISTRICT-CAPITAL PROJECTS **INCREASE REVENUE**	550,000		
SOURCES TOTAL	$ 1,000,000	**USES TOTAL**	$ 1,000,000

JUSTIFICATION

Reflect an increase of $1M to the Whittier Narrows Splash Pad project, CP No. 69539, to fully fund the Project funded by: $450k from Regional Park and Open Space District, Safe, Clean Neighborhood Parks, Open Space, Beaches, Rivers Protection, and Water Conservation Measure of 2016 (Measure A); and $550k from Proposition A Excess Funds available to the First Supervisorial District pursuant to the Los Angeles County Safe Neighborhood Parks Proposition of 1996 (Prop A).

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE CYNDI LIEU, FINANCE MANAGER

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

REFERRED TO THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER FOR---

☐ ACTION

☑ RECOMMENDATION

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AUDITOR-CONTROLLER

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