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NO. 11-048

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SUBJECT: BENNY POTTER WEST ADAMS AVENUE MEMORIAL PARK  
(W.O. #E170486F) – FINAL PLANS AND CALL FOR BIDS

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RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board:

1. Approve final plans and specifications for the Benny Potter West Adams Avenue Memorial Park (Benny Potter Park) (W.O. #E170486F) project;
2. Approve the reduction in the value of work that the specifications required to be performed by the Prime Contractor from 50% to 20% of the base bid price; and,
3. Approve the date to be advertised for receipt of bids as Tuesday, April 12, 2011, at 3:00 P.M. in the Board Office.

SUMMARY:

The City of Los Angeles, Departments of Public Works, and Recreation and Parks propose to construct the Benny Potter Park (W.O. #E170486F) project. The project is designed to improve greening, irrigation, picnic area, path with outdoor fitness stations within Department of Recreation and Parks owned property. Benny Potter Park is located at 2327 West 24<sup>th</sup> Street, Los Angeles, CA 90018. This portion of the park is known as the annex.

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A Benny Potter Park Local Volunteer Neighborhood Oversight Committee (LVNOC) was formed to give input on potential designs that would implement the Proposition K scope of work. The proposed project is funded by Proposition K. The development of the proposed project is expected to provide additional recreational amenities at the existing community park. The proposed action would maximize the use of the City's Proposition K funds for recreational development.

The Benny Potter Park (W.O. #E170486F) project is a 0.6-acre day-use park. The proposed improvements will be implemented in the park annex in the northeast quadrant of 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue and 24<sup>th</sup> Street. Once completed, the park would be operated and maintained by the Department.

The Bureau of Engineering prepared the final plans and specifications for the current phase. As required under the Proposition K - L.A. for Kids Program, three (3) LVNOC meetings have been held, and the LVNOC has approved the scope of this project.

Plans and specifications provide for the following scope:

1. Demolition, site preparation and grading
2. Installation of new permeable paving walkways.
3. Installation of new concrete paving and headers.
4. Installation of new decomposed granite paving.
5. Installation of new picnic tables, barbecues and drinking fountain.
6. Installation of new pre-fabricated metal picnic shelter.
7. Installation of solar-powered security lighting.
8. Installation of new irrigation system.
9. Installation of new trees, shrubs and lawn.
10. Installation of fitness equipment.

Funding will be drawn from the funding sources listed below:

<u>Funding Source</u>	<u>Fund/Dept/Acct. No</u>
Proposition K Year 12	43K/10/E864
Proposition K Year 13	43K/10/F864
Proposition K Year 14	43K/10/G864

The City Engineer's estimate for the construction cost of the Benny Potter Park project is \$425,750.

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It has been the policy of this Board to require that the prime contractor on construction projects perform a minimum of 50% of the work for the project, as measured by the base bid price. It is proposed that the Board reduce the prime contractor's participation requirement from 50% to 20% on this project. This should help attract a broader range of prime contractors, thus creating a more inviting and competitive bidding environment for this project. Also, it should create more competitive pricing among the subcontractors providing bids to the prime contractors.

In accordance with the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act, staff has determined that the proposed improvements will not have a significant impact on the environment. This project has been determined to be Categorical Exempt per City CEQA Guidelines Article III, Section 1(k), Class 11(3) (accessory structures). A Notice of Exemption was filed with the Los Angeles City Clerk's Office on July 11, 2008, and posted by the County Clerk's Office on July 11, 2008.

The bid package has been approved by the City Attorney's Office.

### FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

There is no fiscal impact to the Department's General Fund at this time. The assessments of the future operations and maintenance costs have yet to be determined and will be addressed in future budget requests.

This Board Report was prepared by Fang Chang, Project Manager, BOE Recreational and Cultural Facilities Program. Reviewed by Neil Drucker, Program Manager, BOE Recreational and Cultural Facilities Program; and Michael A. Shull, Superintendent, Planning and Construction Division, Department of Recreation and Parks.