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SUBJECT: WATTLES PARK – EROSION AND DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS
(W.O. #E170262F) PROJECT – FINAL PLANS AND CALL FOR BIDS

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RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the Board:

1. Approve the final plans and specifications for the Wattles Park – Erosion and Drainage Improvements (W.O. #E170262F) Project;
2. Approve the reduction in the value of the work that the specifications require 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 26, 2011 at 3:00 P.M. in the Board Office.

SUMMARY:

Submitted are final plans and specifications for the Wattles Park – Erosion and Drainage Improvements (W.O. #E170262F) Project, located at 1824 North Curson Avenue, Los Angeles, California 90046. The project is funded by Proposition K funds. Staff from the Department of Public Works, Bureau of Engineering (BOE) prepared the design plans and specifications for this project.

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The scope of work as described in the Proposition K Ballot measure is "erosion and drainage improvements." More specifically, the scope of work that has been developed with input from the Department of Recreation and Parks staff and the Local Volunteer Neighborhood Oversight Committee (LVNOC), includes:

1. Construct storm drains, retention tank and infiltration system, seating wall, catch basins, curbs and gravel swales;
2. Plant new shrubs, groundcovers and vines in the hillside area; and,
3. Re-grade grassy area, restore turf and irrigation system.

The City Engineer's estimate for the construction cost of this project is \$320,000.

Funds are available from the following accounts:

<u>Funding Source</u>	<u>Fund No. /Dept. No./Acct. No.</u>
Proposition K Year 13	43K/10/ F291
Proposition K Year 14	43K/10/ G291

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 a more competitive pricing among the specialty subcontractors providing bids to the prime contractors, due to the number of specialty items of work.

In compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), staff has determined that the subject project will consist of the installation of environmental protection devices, minor grading and new landscaping. Therefore, the project is exempt from the provisions of the California Environment Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article III, Section 1, Class 1(6), Class 2(5) and Class 4(2, 3) of the City CEQA Guidelines.

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

Council District 4 supports the recommendations set forth in this report.

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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

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

This report was prepared by Ejike Mbaruguru, Project Manager, Recreational and Cultural Facilities Program, BOE. Reviewed by Neil Drucker, Program Manager, Recreational and Cultural Facilities Program, BOE; Deborah Weintraub, Chief Deputy City Engineer, BOE; and Michael Shull, Superintendent, Planning and Construction Division, Department of Recreation and Parks.