

REPORT OF GENERAL MANAGER

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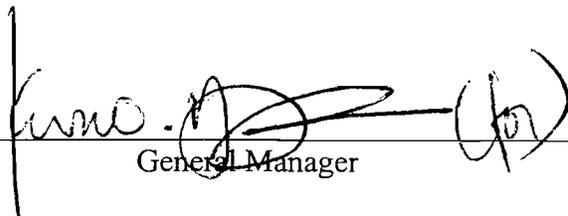
SUBJECT: 2011 HOUSING-RELATED PARKS PROGRAM – RETROACTIVE AUTHORIZATION TO SUBMIT GRANT APPLICATION; CITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION

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RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the Board:

1. Retroactively approve the submission of a 2011 Housing-Related Parks (HRP) Program grant application to the California Department of Housing and Community Development (CDHCD) to fund the acquisition, development, rehabilitation and/or improvements of the Department's parks and recreation facilities, subject to Mayor and the City Council approval;
2. Recommend that the City Council adopt the attached Resolution (Attachment No. 1), which authorizes the City of Los Angeles to apply for 2011 HRP grant funds and designates the General Manager of the Department of Recreation and Parks, or designee, as the agent to conduct all negotiations, sign and submit all documents, including but not limited to grant applications, agreements, amendments, and payment requests, which may be necessary for the completion of the proposed projects; and,
3. Direct staff to transmit a copy of the Resolution to the Mayor, Office of the City Administrative Officer (CAO), Office of the Chief Legislative Analyst (CLA) and to the City Clerk for committee and City Council consideration, pursuant to the Administrative Code Section 14.6 *et seq.* as may be amended.

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### SUMMARY:

In December 2011, the California Department of Housing and Community Development released the 2011 Program Year Housing-Related Parks (HRP) Program notice of funding availability. The HRP Program, funded through the passage of Proposition 1C, has \$25 million available for the 2011 Program Year. The HRP Program is designed to reward local governments for developing new residential housing affordable to low-income households.

The HRP funds may be used for the creation or rehabilitation of park and recreation facilities, including, but not limited to, the acquisition of land, sport play fields, play areas, non-motorized recreational trails, play structures, outdoor recreation, and landscaping.

As a result of partnering with the Los Angeles Housing Department (LAHD) on the 2010 HRP Program grant cycle, the Department was awarded \$1,594,850 to develop six community park projects. The Department is working with LAHD again on the 2011 HRP grant application. The grant funds will be used to fund park projects determined by the Department's Planning, Construction and Maintenance Division in consultation with LAHD. If awarded, the City will be able to provide more communities with local access to neighborhood parks and recreational facilities.

The Department is requesting retroactive authority to apply for the 2011 HRP grant to fund the development of various park projects that are included in the 50 Parks Initiative. The grant application was due by March 30, 2012.

### FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

The submission of this grant application has no fiscal impact on the Department's General Fund.

This report was prepared by Isophine Atkinson, Senior Management Analyst, Grants Administration.

**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES  
AUTHORIZING APPLICATION FOR HOUSING RELATED PARKS GRANT**

WHEREAS, the State of California, Department of Housing and Community Development (Department) has issued a Notice of Funding Availability dated December 2, 2011 (NOFA), under its Housing Related Parks (HRP) Program; and

WHEREAS, the City of Los Angeles (Applicant) desires to apply for a HRP Program grant and submit the 2011 Program Year Application Package released by the Department for the HRP Program; and

WHEREAS, the Department is authorized to approve funding allocations for the HRP Program, subject to the terms and conditions of the NOFA, Program Guidelines, Application Package, and Standard Agreement;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. Applicant is hereby authorized and directed to apply for and submit to the Department the HRP Program Application Package released January 2012 for the 2011 Designated Program Year. If the application is approved, the Applicant is hereby authorized and directed to enter into, execute, and deliver a State of California Standard Agreement (Standard Agreement), and any and all other documents required or deemed necessary or appropriate to secure the HRP Program Grant from the Department, and all amendments thereto (collectively, the "HRP Grant Documents").
2. Applicant shall be subject to the terms and conditions as specified in the Standard Agreement. Funds are to be used for allowable capital asset project expenditures to be identified in Exhibit A of the Standard Agreement. The application in full is incorporated as part of the Standard Agreement. Any and all activities funded, information provided, and timelines represented in the application are enforceable through the Standard Agreement. Applicant hereby agrees to use the funds for eligible capital asset(s) in the manner presented in the application as approved by the Department and in accordance with the NOFA and Program Guidelines and Application Package.
3. That the General Manager, Executive Officer, and Assistant General Manager, of the City of Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks are authorized to execute in the name of Applicant the HRP Program Application Package and the HRP Grant Documents as required by the Department for participation in the HRP Program.

I, the undersigned, hereby certify that the forgoing Resolution was duly adopted by the City Council of the City of Los Angeles at its meeting of \_\_\_\_\_.

June Lagmay, City Clerk

By: \_\_\_\_\_