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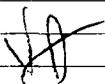
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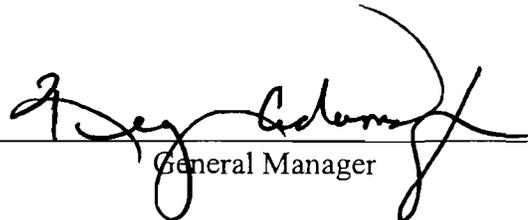
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BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

SUBJECT: 50 PARKS INITIATIVE – GIFT AGREEMENTS WITH THE LOS ANGELES PARKS FOUNDATION FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF THREE NEW PARKS: 97<sup>th</sup> STREET POCKET PARK, 105<sup>th</sup> STREET POCKET PARK, AND KAGEL CANYON STREET POCKET PARK, INCLUDING LANDSCAPE IMPROVEMENTS AND SITE FURNISHINGS

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H. Fujita		M. Shull	_____
*V. Israel	_____	N. Williams	_____

  
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 General Manager

Approved \_\_\_\_\_ Disapproved \_\_\_\_\_ Withdrawn \_\_\_\_\_

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RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the Board:

1. Approve a proposed Gift Agreement (Agreement) with the Los Angeles Parks Foundation (LAPF), a California non-profit organization, substantially in the form on file in the Board Office, for landscape improvements and site furnishings (Improvements) for a new park at 554 West 97<sup>th</sup> Street, specifying the terms and conditions for the construction, installation, and donation of the proposed Improvements, subject to the approval of the Mayor and of the City Attorney as to form;
2. Approve a proposed Agreement with the LAPF, substantially in the form on file in the Board Office, for Improvements for a new park at 609 West 105<sup>th</sup> Street, specifying the terms and conditions for the construction, installation, and donation of the proposed Improvements, subject to the approval of the Mayor and of the City Attorney as to form;
3. Approve a proposed Agreement with the LAPF, substantially in the form on file in the Board Office, for Improvements for a new park at 13116 Kagel Canyon Street, specifying the terms and conditions for the construction, installation, and donation of the proposed Improvements, subject to the approval of the Mayor and of the City Attorney as to form;
4. Authorize staff to issue temporary right of entry permits to LAPF, allowing access to the new park sites to construct and install Improvements in accordance with the terms and conditions of the proposed Agreements;

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5. Direct the Board Secretary to transmit the proposed Agreements, to the Mayor in accordance with Executive Directive No. 3, and concurrently, to the City Attorney for review and approval as to form;
6. Authorize the Board President and Secretary to execute the Agreements upon receipt of the necessary approvals; and,
7. Upon completion of the installation of the Improvements, accept the Improvements as a gift from LAPF, subject to post-development inspections by RAP, and appropriate recognition be given to the LAPF for its generosity.

### SUMMARY:

On May 16, 2012, the Board approved the acceptance of a donation to RAP of three parcels of real property from Restore Neighborhoods LA, Inc., a California non-profit corporation, for the purpose of creating new pocket parks and to meet the goals of “The 50 Parks Initiative”:

- A 0.13 acre parcel of land (APN 6054-025-013) located at 554 West 97<sup>th</sup> Street, Los Angeles, California 90044, in Council District 8 (Report No. 12-160);
- A 0.11 acre parcel of land (APN 6061-017-027) located at 609 West 105<sup>th</sup> Street, Los Angeles, California 90044, in Council District 8 (Report No. 12-161); and,
- A 0.14 acre parcel of land (APN 2623-020-014) located at 13116 Kagel Canyon Street, Los Angeles, California 91331, in Council District 6 (Report No. 12-163).

LAPF has secured funding through a grant awarded by First 5 LA, a California non-profit, public benefit corporation, for the purpose of new park development at the aforementioned three parcels of land or new park sites, and has agreed to fund the development of Improvements through the grant, and upon completion of the Improvements donate the three completed parks to the City.

The Improvements shall include, but not be limited to, the construction and installation of landscaping (including water saving smart irrigation system, planting, fencing and gate(s), hardscape features, and walkways), and site furnishings including drinking fountains, benches, and equipment for playing and/or exercising, with appropriate surface(s) under the equipment (decomposed granite or resilient surfacing). Design renderings for each of the three parks are attached (Exhibit-A 1 thru 3).

The Board’s approval of this Report and the proposed Agreements will authorize LAPF to proceed with the construction and/or installation of Improvements pursuant to architectural drawings, designs, and specifications created by RAP, consistent with the general design elements previously approved by the Board, and provide the Board’s acceptance of the same as a gift to the City, subject to the completion of post-development inspections by the Planning,

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Construction, and Maintenance Division. The Agreements specify the terms and conditions under which LAPF will construct and/or install the Improvements at no cost to the City.

LAPF will contract directly with a licensed contractor or contractors, making payments directly to the contractor(s). The contractor's access to the sites will be authorized through one or more right of entry permit(s) issued by RAP. Pursuant to the terms and conditions of the Agreements, the construction and installation of the Improvements will be overseen jointly by RAP and the LAPF.

Each project has an estimated value of \$350,000. Therefore, the gift to the City, consisting of completed Improvements at the three new parks, will have an estimated total value up to \$1,050,000 (\$350,000 X 3), inclusive of all necessary plan preparation, permits, construction, and oversight.

In accordance with the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), a Negative Declaration (ND) for each of the new park sites as conceptually developed was prepared based on an Initial Study which determined that all potential significant environmental effects would be less than significant. The ND for each park site was circulated to all interested parties and responsible agencies for a 20-day review and comment period from March 28 to April 18, 2012. No substantive comments were received on environmental issues. Copies of the three final Negative Declarations have been provided to the Board for review and consideration and are on file in the Board Office.

In accordance with the Board's project approvals and acceptance of the properties on May 16, 2012 (Reports No. 12-160, No. 120-161, and No. 12-163), community meetings were held for each project and the majority of those who attended supported the projects. These projects also have support from Council Districts Six and Eight. Additionally, the Assistant General Manager of the Operations Branch and the Superintendents for the Valley, Metro and Pacific Regions has each been consulted and concur with staff's recommendations.

### FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

There will be no fiscal impact to RAP's General Fund, as the proposed Improvements will be constructed and installed by LAPF at no cost to the City. The future maintenance of the three new parks will be addressed through the annual budget process.

This report was prepared by Raymond Chang, Management Analyst II, and Joel Alvarez, Senior Management Analyst, Partnership Division.

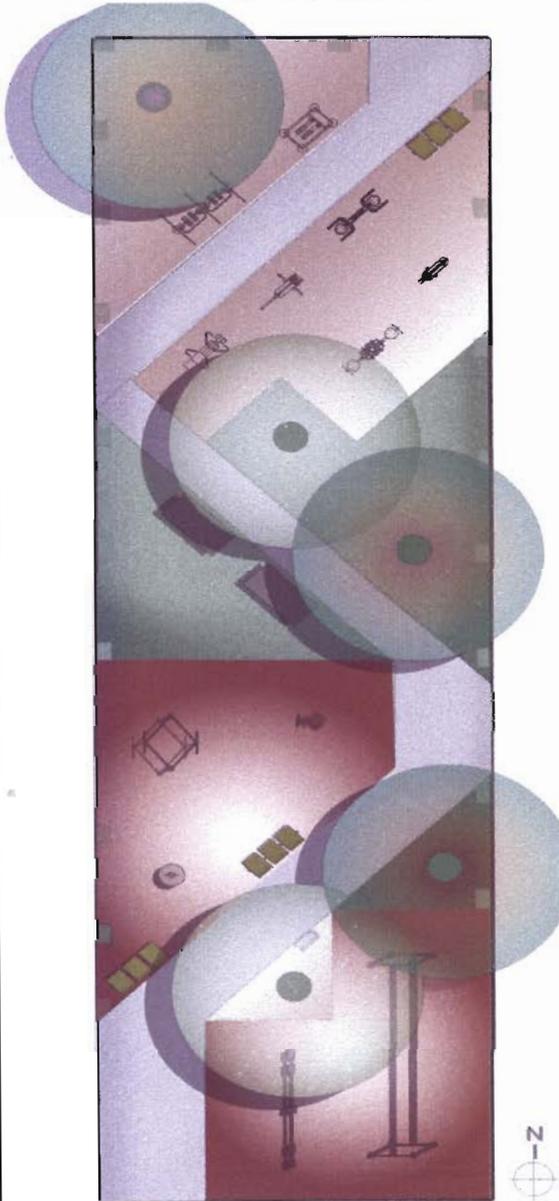


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554 W. 97<sup>th</sup> STREET  
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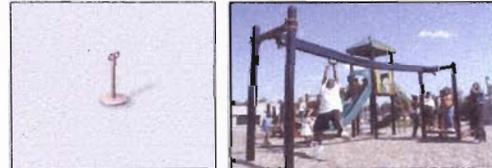
## CONCEPTUAL DESIGN



PLANT MATERIALS



SITE FURNISHINGS



PLAY EQUIPMENT



EXERCISE EQUIPMENT

8' HIGH PERIMETER FENCE WITH AUTO-LOCKING GATE AND SECURITY CAMERA



LOT SIZE: 40' X 140' , 5600 SQ FT

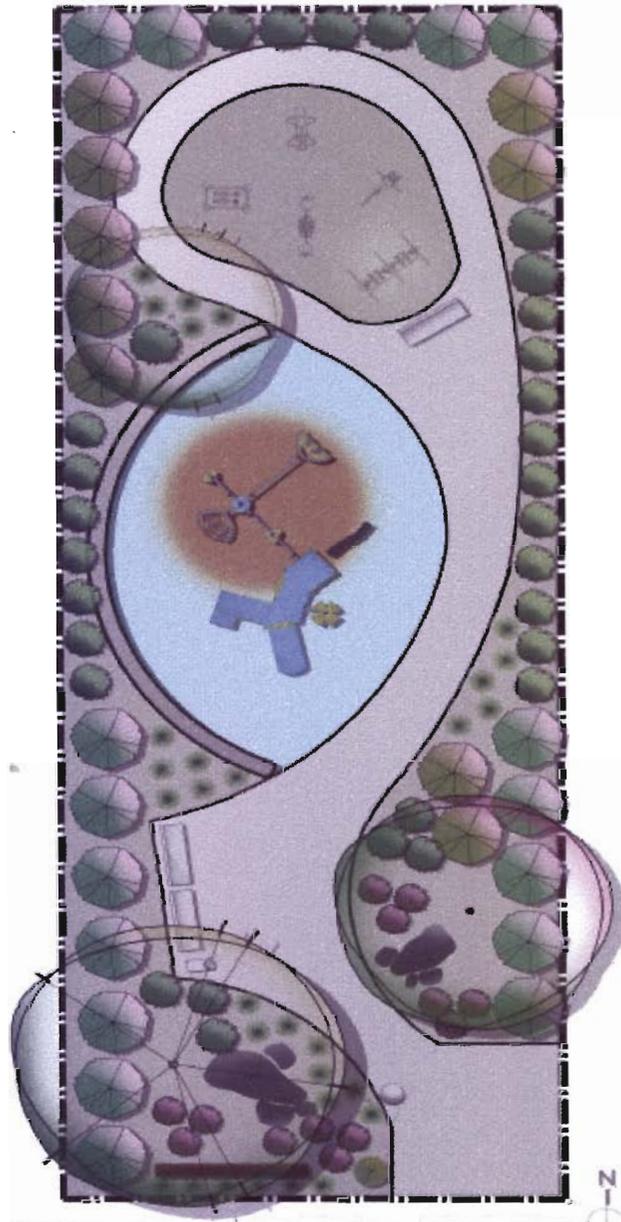


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609 W. 105<sup>TH</sup> STREET  
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