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REPORT OF GENERAL MANAGER

NO. 14-127

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**BOARD OF RECREATION  
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**SUBJECT: ELYSIAN PARK – INSTALLATION OF A SOLANO CANYON MONUMENT SIGN**

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General Manager

Withdrawn                     

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the Board:

1. Approve the installation of a Solano Canyon Monument Sign at the southwest corner of the intersection of Amador Street and Solano Avenue in Elysian Park, as shown in Attachment A;
2. Approve the design and wording of the sign, as illustrated in Attachment B; and
3. Authorize Department of Recreation and Parks (Department) staff to issue a Right-of-Entry permit to Paradise Signs, Inc., for the installation of the sign as indicated.

SUMMARY:

Solano Canyon is a small community located within the boundaries of Elysian Park. Solano Canyon is the last remaining residential community within Elysian Park since the removal of several other neighborhoods in preparation for the installation of Dodger Stadium in the mid 1950's. The Historic Cultural Neighborhood Council (HCNC) of downtown Los Angeles has proposed the installation of a Solano Canyon Monument Sign. The sign would be installed at the southwest corner of the intersection of Amador Street and Solano Avenue in Elysian Park, located at 498 Solano Avenue, Los Angeles, California 90012 (Attachment A). The proposed location is on a 0.10 acre portion of Elysian Park which was donated to the City of Los Angeles in 2008. (Board Report No. 08-344).

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This Solano Canyon Monument Sign will mark the southeast entrance to this historic neighborhood on the southern boundary of Elysian Park. The Citizens Committee to Save Elysian Park (CCSEP) voted to accept the Solano Canyon Monument Project in October 2007. Additionally, the HCNC granted approval of the Solano Canyon Monument Project in November 2007 and has agreed to provide funding for the design, manufacture, installation, and maintenance of the sign.

The proposed Solano Canyon Monument Sign will compliment a previously installed Monument Project Sign from 2008 (Board Report No. 08-203). The sign will be composed of a precast concrete panel with recessed letters and river rock. The sign will be approximately 2.5 feet in height and 8 feet wide (Attachment B). The design elements of the proposed sign do not conflict with the Master Plan for Elysian Park.

Staff has determined that the subject project is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), pursuant to Article III, Section 1, Class 11(1), of the City CEQA Guidelines.

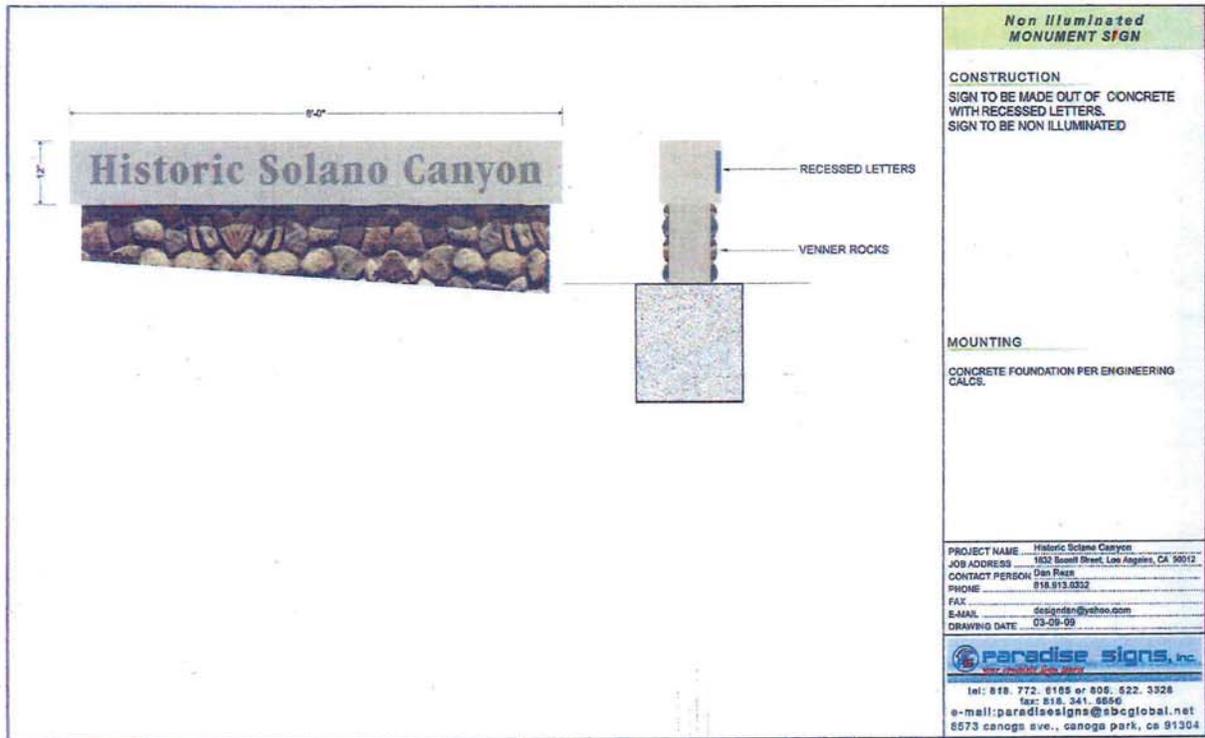
### FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

There will be negligible fiscal impact on the Department's General Fund. The sign will have minimal maintenance requirements. Foreseeable vandalism repair costs will be covered by a \$1,000.00 donation to the Department by HCNC. The funds earmarked for vandalism repair will be placed in Fund 302, Department 89, Account 89832M, Metro Region Donation account. HCNC has also agreed to cover the cost of the design, manufacture, and installation of the sign.

This Report was prepared by Melinda Gejer, City Planning Associate, Planning, Construction and Maintenance Branch.

Attachment A - Proposed Sign Location





Proposed Design for Solano Canyon Monument Sign #2



Previously Installed Solano Canyon Monument Sign #1