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BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

BOARD REPORT

NO. 21-139

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SUBJECT: VENICE BEACH – MUSCLE BEACH RENOVATION (PRJ21494) PROJECT – COMMITMENT OF PARK FEES – CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION FROM THE PROVISIONS OF THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) PURSUANT TO ARTICLE III, SECTION 1, CLASS 1(1) [INTERIOR AND EXTERIOR ALTERATIONS INVOLVING MINOR CONSTRUCTION WHERE THERE BE NEGLIGIBLE OR NO EXPANSION OF USE], CLASS 1(12) [OUTDOOR LIGHTING FOR SECURITY AND OPERATIONS] AND CLASS 11(5) [INSTALLATION OF SIGNS LOCATED ON CITY PROPERTY MANAGED BY A CITY DEPARTMENT WHICH HAS A SIGN POLICY ADOPTED BY ITS BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS] OF CITY CEQA GUIDELINES AND ARTICLE 19, SECTIONS 15301 AND 15311 OF CALIFORNIA CEQA GUIDELINES

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 General Manager

Approved X Disapproved _____ Withdrawn _____

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Approve the scope of work of the Venice Beach - Muscle Beach Renovation (PRJ21494) Project (Project), as described in the Summary of this Report;
2. Authorize Department of Recreation and Parks (RAP) staff to commit from the following fund and work order numbers, a maximum of Five-Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000.00) in Park Fees, for the proposed Project;

<u>FUNDING SOURCE</u>	<u>FUND/DEPT./ACCT. NO.</u>	<u>WORK ORDER NO.</u>
Park Fees	302/89/89716H	QM068619
Park Fees	302/89/89716H	QM141540
Park Fees	302/89/89716H	QT073387

3. Approve the proposed Project to be bid and constructed through RAP's list of pre-qualified on-call contractors;
4. Approve the authorization of change orders as authorized under Board Report No. 06-136, for the construction contracts for this Project in the budget contingency amounts for such construction contracts as set forth in this Report.

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5. Determine that the proposed Project is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article III, Section 1, Class 1(1) [Interior and exterior alterations involving minor construction where there be negligible or no expansion of use], Class 1(12) [Outdoor lighting for security and operations] and Class 11(5) [Installation of signs located on City property managed by a City department which has a sign policy adopted by its Board of Commissioners] of City CEQA Guidelines and Article 19, Section 15301 and 15311 of California CEQA Guidelines and direct RAP Staff to file a Notice of Exemption (NOE) with the Los Angeles County Clerk upon Board's approval;
6. Authorize RAP's Chief Accounting Employee to prepare a check to the Los Angeles County Clerk in the amount of \$75.00 for the purpose of filing an (NOE); and,
7. Authorize RAP staff to make technical corrections as necessary to carry out the intent of this Report.

SUMMARY

Venice Beach is located at 2300 Ocean Front Walk in the Venice community of the City. This 160.75-acre facility provides two play areas, benches, fitness area, paddleball courts, basketball courts and restrooms for the surrounding community. Approximately 13,233 City residents live within a one-half mile walking distance of Venice Beach Park. Due to the facilities, features, and programs, and services it provides, Venice Beach meets the standard for a Regional Park, as defined in the City's Public Recreation Plan.

PROJECT SCOPE

The project proposes to refurbish and renovate the interior and exterior of the iconic Muscle Beach weightlifting pen at Venice Beach.

The proposed Project includes the following scope of work items:

- Replacement of the existing doors with new updated doors.
- Installation of new fitness equipment.
- Interior and exterior lighting improvements
- Installation of new rubber matting tiles throughout the facility.
- General cleaning and maintenance including painting, pressure washing of the facility, and installation of a new Muscle Beach sign.

PROJECT FUNDING

Upon approval of this Report, Five-Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000.00) in Park Fees can be committed to the proposed Project.

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The total amount of funding available for the proposed Project is Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000.00).

The anticipated pre-qualified on-call contracts for this Project will be for Park Facility Construction. The budget contingency for the Park Facility Construction contracts will be Sixty Thousand Dollars (\$60,000.00).

These Park Fees were collected within ten (10) miles of Venice Beach, which is the standard distance for the commitment of the Park Fees for regional recreational facilities pursuant to Los Angeles Municipal Code Section 12.33 E.3.

FUNDING SOURCE MATRIX

Source	Fund/Dept/Acct	Amount	Percentage
Park Fees	302/89/89716H	\$500,000.00	100%
Total		\$500,000.00	100%

PROJECT CONSTRUCTION

RAP Staff has determined that sufficient funding has been identified and construction of the proposed Project is anticipated to begin in Summer 2021.

TREES AND SHADE

This proposed Project will have no impact to existing trees and shade at Venice Beach.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

The proposed Project consists of interior and exterior alterations involving minor construction where there be negligible or no expansion of use; outdoor lighting for security and operations and installation of signs located on City property managed by a City department which has a sign policy adopted by its Board of Commissioners. As such, RAP staff recommends that the Board of Recreation and Parks Commissioners (Board) determines that it is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant Article III, Section 1, Class 1(1), Class 1(12) and Class 11(5) of City CEQA Guidelines and to Article 19, Section 15301 and 15311 of California CEQA Guidelines. RAP staff will file a Notice of Exemption with the Los Angeles County Clerk upon the Board's approval.

FISCAL IMPACT

The approval of the commitment of Park Fees will have no fiscal impact on RAP's General Fund.

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The estimated costs for the design, development, and construction of the proposed Project are anticipated to be funded by Park Fees or funding sources other than the RAP's General Fund. The maintenance of the proposed park renovation can be performed by current staff with minimal impact to existing maintenance service at this facility.

STRATEGIC PLAN INITIATIVES AND GOALS

Approval of this Board Report advances RAP's Strategic Plan by supporting:

Goal No. 1: Provide Safe and Accessible Parks

Outcome No. 2: All Parks are safe and welcoming

Result: The renovation of Muscle Beach at Venice Beach will increase safety and enhance the Park users' experience.

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