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BOARD REPORT

NO. 21-162

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SUBJECT: ROBERT L. BURNS PARK – DONATION FROM THE LOS ANGELES PARKS FOUNDATION CONSISTING OF THE REFURBISHMENT AND RENOVATION OF AN EXISTING DECOMPOSED GRANITE WALKING TRAIL; CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION FROM THE PROVISIONS OF THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) PURSUANT TO ARTICLE III, SECTION 1, CLASS 1(3) [REPAIR AND MINOR ALTERATION OF EXISTING PEDESTRIAN TRAILS] AND CLASS 1(8) [MAINTENANCE OF EXISTING LANDSCAPING] OF CITY CEQA GUIDELINES AND ARTICLE 19, SECTION 15301 OF CALIFORNIA CEQA GUIDELINES

AP Diaz	_____	*M. Rudnick	<u>MR</u>
H. Fujita	_____	C. Santo Domingo	_____
J. Kim	_____	N. Williams	_____



General Manager

Approved X Disapproved _____ Withdrawn _____

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Approve a proposed park improvement project at Robert L. Burns Park (Park) consisting of the refurbishment and renovation of the existing decomposed granite walking trail around the perimeter of the Park, as further described in this Report (Project), as a donation to the City of Los Angeles and the Department of Recreation and Parks (RAP) valued at approximately Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00), and provided by the Los Angeles Parks Foundation (LAPF);
2. Authorize RAP's Planning, Maintenance and Construction Branch (PMC), upon the Board of Recreation and Park Commissioners' (Board) approval and acceptance of the proposed Project, to issue a Right of Entry Permit (ROE) to LAPF and their selected contractors and/or vendors, allowing access to Robert Burns Park to construct and install the Project improvements;
3. Accept the proposed Project improvements valued up to approximately Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00), as a donation to the City from LAPF, for the benefit and enjoyment of the general public, subject to a post-installation inspection of the completed Project improvements and approval by RAP's PMC staff;

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4. 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(3) [Repair and minor alteration of existing pedestrian trails] and Class 1(8) [Maintenance of existing landscaping] of City CEQA Guidelines and Article 19, Section 15301 of California CEQA Guidelines and direct staff to file a Notice of Exemption (NOE) with the Los Angeles County Clerk;
5. Authorize RAP's Chief Accounting Employee to prepare a check to the Los Angeles County Clerk in the amount of Seventy-Five Dollars (\$75.00) for the purpose of filing an NOE and;
6. Authorize RAP staff to make technical corrections to carry out the intent of this Report.

SUMMARY

LAPF has secured necessary funding and has offered to provide the City and RAP with Park improvements, as described herein, consisting of the refurbishment and renovation of an existing decomposed granite walking trail at Robert Burns Park (Park), located at 4900 Beverly Boulevard, Los Angeles 90004. If approved by the Board, the proposed Project improvements will be funded entirely through funding donated to LAPF, and will be performed at no cost to the City, through direct contracts between LAPF and RAP pre-approved vendors and contractors, which have been vetted by, and coordinated with, RAP's Planning Division.

The Project improvements more specifically include:

- Removal of landscape edging around the existing walkway;
- Installation of 1,066 linear feet of permanent concrete mow-curb; and,
- Installation of compacted and stabilized decomposed granite walkway surface material;

LAPF will have the lead as Project Manager, with input from and in coordination with PMC staff, subject to a post-installation inspection once completed. As stated above, the proposed Project improvements are valued at approximately \$50,000.00, and funded entirely through the donated funding to LAPF.

TREES AND SHADE

Although the proposed Project does not include the installation of any trees or shade structures, it also does not include any removal of trees or shade structures, as the proposed Project improvements consist primarily of walkway improvements.

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ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

The proposed Project consists of repair and minor alteration of existing pedestrian trails and maintenance of existing landscaping. As such, staff recommends that the Board determines that it is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article III, Section 1, Class 1(3) and 1(8) of City CEQA Guidelines and Article 19, Section 15301 of California CEQA Guidelines. RAP staff will file a NOE with the Los Angeles County Clerk upon the Board's approval.

FISCAL IMPACT

The installation of the proposed Project improvements will not have any fiscal impact on RAP's General Fund, as associated costs will be funded entirely by LAPF. The future maintenance of the improvements will be addressed through the Park's existing maintenance budget and the annual budget process, as the proposed Project consists of the refurbishment and renovation of an existing amenity.

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