

REPORT OF GENERAL MANAGER

NO. 01-56

DATE February 21, 2001

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BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

SUBJECT: WILMINGTON MULTI-PURPOSE SENIOR CITIZEN CENTER (#1803A) -
APPROVAL OF FINAL PLANS AND CALL FOR BIDS

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Approved _____

Disapproved _____

Withdrawn _____

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Board:

1. Approve final plans and specification; and,
2. Approve the date for bids be advertised as Tuesday, April 10, 2001 at 3:00 p.m. in the Board Room.

SUMMARY:

Submitted are plans and specifications for the Wilmington Multipurpose Senior Citizen Center (#1803A), to be located in Banning Park at 1331 Eubank Street, Wilmington. The plans were prepared by BOA Architecture under Contract No. 2667.

The proposed project involves the construction of a 12,000-square-foot new senior citizen center designed to reflect the architectural character of the Banning home. The project will include a spacious lobby, director's office, club room, kitchen, counseling spaces, billiard room, large auditorium with stage, storage areas, restrooms and inner garden patio. The project also includes additional on-site parking, pick-up and drop-off area for seniors and relocation of the existing horseshoe pits to the southeast corner of the park.

In accordance with the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) was prepared for the project and certified by the Board at its meeting of January 5, 2000. The Notice of Determination was filed with the Los Angeles City and County Clerks on January 6th and 7th, 2000, respectively.

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The project had gone out to bid following the approval of Board Report 00-140 by the Board at its meeting of April 19, 2000. Bids were received on May 23, 2000 and were valid for 90 days or until August 21, 2000, before which no construction contract could be awarded due to legal action filed against the project challenging the validity of its final EIR. The three lowest bidders were asked and had agreed to extend their bids for 120 days after the bid expiration day, or until December 19, 2000. The Superior Court made a ruling in favor of the construction of the project on November 15, 2000. The required 60-day appeal period following the mailing of the Notice of Entry of the Court's judgement expired on February 13, 2001, and to the best of our knowledge, no Notice of Appeal was filed by the plaintiffs, and the Court's judgement is final. The project is now ready to be issued to bid for the construction of the new senior citizen center.

The designer's estimate for construction is \$2,100,000.00. Funds are available for this project in the amount of \$3,012,000.00 from the Community Development Block Grant monies (Funds 205, Account 5840).

The bid package has been approved by the City Attorney's Office.

This report was prepared by Paul Tseng, Project Manager.