

SPECIAL AGENDA
BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS
OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES

Wednesday, October 17, 2001 - 3:00 p.m.
Cabrillo Marine Aquarium
3720 Stephen White Drive, San Pedro, CA 90731

PURSUANT TO COMMISSION POLICY, COMMENTS BY THE PUBLIC ON AGENDA ITEMS WILL BE HEARD ONLY AT THE TIME THE RESPECTIVE ITEM IS CONSIDERED. COMMENTS BY THE PUBLIC ON ALL OTHER MATTERS WITHIN THE SUBJECT MATTER JURISDICTION OF THE BOARD WILL BE HEARD DURING THE "PUBLIC COMMENTS" PERIOD DESIGNATED AT THE END OF THE SPECIAL MEETING. EACH SPEAKER WILL BE GRANTED TWO MINUTES.

1. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORTS:

- 01-392 Westchester Recreation Center Community Building (#1539A) - Cancellation of Construction Contract No. 2950
- 01-393 Woodley Lakes Golf Course Food Service Concession Request for Proposals
- 01-394 Transfer and Loan of Historic Fire Fighting Apparatus from the Travel Town Museum to the Los Angeles Fire Department
- 01-395 Reynier Park - Outdoor Improvements (#1343A) - Final Acceptance
- 01-396 Authorization to Apply for Grant Funding for Temple Beverly Park Phase II

2. NEW BUSINESS:

Memorandum: Presentation to the Department of A Replica of the Fishing Industry Memorial

3. NEXT MEETING:

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Recreation and Park Commissioners will be held on Wednesday, November 7, 2001 at 9:30 a.m., City Hall East, 200 North Main Street, Room 1325, Los Angeles, California 90012.

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Any comments which require a response or report by staff will be automatically referred to staff for a report at some subsequent meeting.

5. ADJOURNMENT:

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Sign language interpreters, assistive listening devices, or any auxiliary aides and/or services may be provided upon request. To ensure availability, you are advised to make your request at least 72 hours prior to the meeting you wish to attend. For additional information, please contact the Commission Office at (213) 473-5888.

Finalization of Commission Actions: In accordance with City Charter Section 32.3, actions of the Board of Recreation and Park Commissioners shall become final at the expiration of the next five meeting days of the Los Angeles City Council during which the Council has convened in regular session.

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BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

SUBJECT: WESTCHESTER RECREATION CENTER COMMUNITY BUILDING (#1539A)
CANCELLATION OF CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT NO. 2950; APPROVAL OF
THREE PARTY TENDER AGREEMENT AND APPROVAL OF COMPLETION
CONTRACT WITH TOBO CONSTRUCTION

J. Combs _____
A. Corrales _____
J. Duggan _____
J. Kolb _____

H. Fujita _____
*M. Tamuri _____
M. Matthews _____



General Manager

Approved _____

Disapproved _____

Withdrawn _____

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Board:

1. Accept the voluntary default by Stenco Construction for Contract No. 2950;
2. Approve a tender agreement from Washington International Insurance Company (Surety) whereby Stenco Construction is voluntarily removing itself from the contract;
3. Approve a Completion Contract between the City and Tobo Construction in substantially the same form as the agreement attached;
4. Direct the Board Secretary to forward this report and the proposed tender agreement forthwith to the Mayor in accordance with Executive Directive 16 and concurrently to the City Attorney for review as to form; and,
5. Authorized the Board President and Secretary to execute the tender agreement and the completion contract upon receipt of the necessary approvals.

SUMMARY:

The construction of a new community building for Westchester Recreation Center began on July 6, 2000, with a construction completion period of 300 days or on May 2, 2001. A change order has been issued extending the completion date to May 25, 2001. The work consists of building a new 8997 square foot community building with a new lobby, gymnasium, director's office, men's and women's toilets, storage room and electrical room. Construction work is 43% completed presently.

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As of May 25, 2001, construction work was approximately 27% complete, when it should have been completed. The work progress to date is very slow and unsatisfactory due to the lack of construction activities and lack of manpower assigned to this job. At present the contractor is continuing to work on the project with the knowledge that he is going to be assessed liquidated damages. A 30-day notice to correct was issued to the contractor on July 17, 2001, as shown in the attached copy, which required them to complete seven (7) tasks by August 16, 2001. On August 17, 2001 a meeting was held to assess the contractor's progress. The result of the meeting showed that the Contractor had completely complied with Items 1, 2, 4 and 5, partially complied with Items 3 and 7 by completing some non-compliance work and providing a partial list of sub-contractors who will be working on this project. Item No. 6 required them to install the steel joists by August 16, 2001 had not been complied with. Contractor's work has progressed about 15 days in the 30-day notice period from July 17, 2001 through August 16, 2001.

As agreed to, by all parties, in the meeting of July 12, 2001, the Department will initiate proceedings to terminate the contract per Section 51, Division 1 of the General Provisions, if all notice to correct items have not been completed by August 16, 2001.

The last progress payment made on April 25, 2001, identified an unencumbered balance in the amount of \$875,524.31. Upon receipt of the final payment for work done up and through the date of the Board's acceptance of the cancellation of Stenco's Contract No. 2950, the final unencumbered balance will be identified in the final tender agreement.

In addition, the Department received a draft from the Surety company stating that Stenco has voluntarily removed itself from the contract and in order to have a speedy transition, the Surety also proposes that the City enter a contract with Tobo Construction, Inc. Department staff had verified that Tobo's license (#758012) is current as shown in the attached report from the California State License Board.

Prepared by Rey Aficial, Project Manager.

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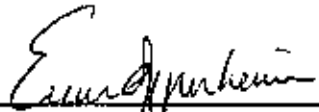
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SUBJECT: WOODLEY LAKES GOLF COURSE FOOD SERVICE CONCESSION REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

J. Combs _____
A. Corrales _____
*J. Duggan 1
H. Fujita 1

J. Kolb _____
M. Tannuri _____
M. Matthews _____



General Manager

Approved _____

Disapproved _____

Withdrawn _____

RECOMMENDATION

That the Board:

- Approve the Request for Proposals (RFP) for the Woodley Lakes Golf Course Food Service Concession on file in the Board Office and direct the Board Executive Assistant to transmit the document to the City Attorney for review.
- Authorize staff to set a date for receiving proposals following City Attorney approval of the RFP. If the City Attorney recommends substantive changes to the RFP, then the document will be returned to the Board for consideration of those recommendations prior to distribution to proposers.
- Instruct staff to advertise the RFP opportunity, and then distribute said RFP to all interested parties.

SUMMARY

The Woodley Lakes Golf Course Food Service Concession facility is currently under construction. It is anticipated that the facility will be completed sometime in early 2002, provided there are no further delays to the project.

A RFP to operate the food service concession was initially advertised and distributed in March 2000. Four proposals were received in response to the RFP. Staff reviewed the proposals and noted

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omissions in three of the four responses. Following consultation with the City Attorney, it was confirmed that those proposals were non-responsive. As a result, it was deemed that Burrito King, Inc. (BKI) was the only responsive proposer. The Board awarded the concession to BKI at its meeting of December 13, 2000.

The City Council disapproved the award to BKI at its meeting of October 10, 2001. The Council concurred with a report from the Arts, Health, and Humanities Committee in which the Committee expressed concern that prospective bidders were deemed non-responsive because of confusion over differences between the paper RFP which was distributed and a computer disk containing some of the RFP forms which was made available to proposers. Although a disclaimer was provided with the disk that advised proposers that the paper RFP would have priority over any conflicting material or inconsistencies, the Committee believed that this discrepancy caused some proposals to be deemed non-responsive. Accordingly, the Committee recommended that the award to BKI be disapproved.

In addition, the Committee recommended that the Department initiate a mini-RFP (short term permit) process for the concession to insure that an operator be in place by the time construction is completed. Staff believes that it would be in the best interests of the Department to move forward with the standard RFP process in an expedited manner, as the selected concessionaire will be required to invest a minimum of \$50,000 for equipment and furnishings. It would not be feasible for a concessionaire to invest this amount under a short term permit. If necessary, the selected concessionaire may be offered an interim permit to operate the facility in the event construction is completed prior to execution of the Concession Agreement.

The following is a summary of the primary provisions of the RFP.

TERM

The term of the Woodley Lakes Golf Course Food Service Concession Agreement will be for six years.

EXPERIENCE QUALIFICATIONS OF PROPOSERS

At least one of the following persons:

- Owner
- General partner
- Corporate officer

of the proposing entity must meet the minimum requirements stated below:

Have three (3) years full-time experience within the last ten (10) years, as the owner or manager of

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a business similar and comparable to the concession operations described here, with annual gross receipts of at least two hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000) in a single venue.

Proposers who do not meet this requirement may qualify by employing the services of a Concession Manager who meets the experience qualification. Such a manager must be identified by name in the submitted proposal and be in attendance at the proposer's interview. Manager's experience includes, but is not limited to, the authority to hire, schedule and fire personnel, order merchandise and materials, oversee operations and have ultimate on-site decision-making responsibility.

If, for any reason, the Concession Manager becomes incapable of performing his or her duties under the Agreement, the City may, at its determination, suspend the Agreement and all terms and conditions contained therein until such time as Concessionaire provides a qualified manager acceptable to the City.

In addition, the proposer must possess the necessary line of credit and/or have the necessary financial resources, as evidenced by submitted financial statements and subsequent financial and credit verification, to equip and operate the concession and provide for any required improvements.

FINANCIAL RETURN TO THE CITY

Proposers must meet the following minimum rental requirements established for the 6-year term:

		<u>2000 RFP</u>
Liquor, Wine & Beer	8.0%	12%
Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages	6.0%	10%
Other Income	6.0%	10%

Annual Minimum Rental Guarantee:

		<u>2000 RFP</u>
Year One	No Minimum	\$30,000
Year Two	\$30,000	\$35,000
Year Three	\$35,000	\$40,000
Year Four	\$40,000	\$50,000
Year Five	\$45,000	\$50,000
Year Six	\$50,000	\$50,000

Concessionaire will pay the greater of either the percentage of gross receipts proposed or the Annual Minimum Rental Guarantee. The minimum percentages and annual guarantees are lower than those required in the 2000 RFP to attract a larger number of potential proposers.

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CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Because the facility is new, no capital improvements are required. However, proposers may propose capital improvements that will enhance the concession operations if they desire.

EQUIPMENT AND FURNISHINGS

Proposers are required to provide equipment and furnishing amounting to no less than \$50,000. Proposers shall include in their proposals all equipment and furnishings needed to successfully operate the concession. Equipment and furnishings purchased entirely by the Concessionaire will remain the possession of the Concessionaire and may be removed once the Agreement has terminated.

In the event the selected Concessionaire is offered an interim permit to operate the facility prior to the execution of the Concession Agreement and it is necessary for some equipment items to be purchased by the City in order to open the new facility in a timely manner, then Concessionaire will reimburse the City for those costs after the Concession Agreement has been executed.

PERFORMANCE BOND

Prior to the execution of the contract, the Concessionaire shall remit a performance bond in an amount equal to one-fourth of the average six-year Annual Minimum Rental Guarantee proposed for the term of the agreement.

PREMISES

The premises to be authorized for use by the Concessionaire shall include the food services concession facilities (restaurant dining area; dining patio; bar; lounge; kitchen; food preparation areas, office; employee restroom; storage areas; club meeting area; and Halfway House) at the Woodley Lakes Golf Course Complex.

ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES, SERVICES AND/OR AMENITIES

Proposers are encouraged to consider and propose additional business activities, services and/or amenities at the facility where the subject concession resides, provided they are compatible with other Department activities and approved by the Department. However, activities, services or amenities that are in direct competition or conflict with other existing City-authorized concessions will not be allowed.

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UTILITIES

Concessionaire will be responsible for all utility charges associated with the operation of the concession. Separate utility meters have been installed for gas, electricity and water consumption in order to determine the specific charges for each utility.

SERVICE CONTRACT WORKER RETENTION AND LIVING WAGE ORDINANCES

This agreement is subject to the Service Contract Worker Retention Ordinance (SCWRO), Section 10.36 et seq., and the Living Wage Ordinance (LWO), Section 10.37 et seq. of the Los Angeles Administrative Code, which requires payment of a minimum initial wage rate to employees as defined in the LWO of \$7.99 per hour with health benefits of at least \$1.25 per hour or, otherwise \$9.24 per hour, to be adjusted annually.

Under the provisions of Section 10.36(c) and Section 10.37.5(c) of the Los Angeles Administrative Code, the City shall have the authority, under appropriate circumstances, to terminate this agreement and otherwise pursue legal remedies that may be available if the City determines that the subject contractor violated the provisions of the referenced Code Section.

EQUAL BENEFITS ORDINANCE

This agreement is subject to the Equal Benefits Ordinance (EBO). The proposer shall comply with the EBO (Ordinance Nos. 172908, 172909, 172910 and 173054) and the provisions of the Certification of Compliance with the Equal Benefits Ordinance.

SELECTION CRITERIA

The scoring for this RFP will be modified to emphasize the service the proposers plan on offering to the public. Differences in the scoring are noted below.

- ▶ Financial return to City (20 points) (formerly 30 points)
- ▶ Appropriateness, level, quality, and value of proposed improvements (10 points) (formerly 5 points)
- ▶ Business experience, qualifications, and marketing (20 points)
- ▶ Financial capability and stability (20 points)
- ▶ Value and level of proposed services (25 points) (formerly 20 points)
- ▶ Community outreach approach to concession (5 points)

These criteria are explained in detail in Attachment A.

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SELECTION PROCESS

To ensure fair and equal consideration of the proposals, the following selection process is employed:

- A. Department staff reviews the proposals.
- B. An evaluation panel may interview all or a selected list of proposers based upon factors such as qualifications, projected revenue to Department, and services proposed.
- C. The panel makes a recommendation of award to the General Manager. The General Manager reviews the panel's recommendation and prepares an award recommendation to the Board, which may or may not concur with the panel's recommendation.
- D. The Board may accept the recommendation of the General Manager, select a different proposer, or reject all proposals. If a selection is made, the Board authorizes staff to prepare the Concession Agreement.
- E. The Board Secretary forwards the completed the Concession Agreement to the Mayor, City Attorney and U.S. Army, Corps of Engineers for review and approval.
- F. The Concession Agreement is then transmitted to the City Council for approval.
- G. Upon approval, the Board and Concessionaire execute the Concession Agreement.

**PROPOSAL EVALUATION SCORE SHEET
WOODLEY LAKES GOLF COURSE
FOOD SERVICE CONCESSION**

A. FINANCIAL RETURN TO THE CITY

Score: _____ (Maximum 20 pts)

1. Rental Return to the City

- Score for Minimum Rental Percentage of Gross Receipts = _____
(Maximum 5 pts)
- Score for Annual Minimum Rental Guarantee = _____
(Maximum 5 pts)

Scoring Criteria

High scores will be given to proposers with rental packages which represent the highest return possible to the City over the life of the agreement. The rental analysis takes into consideration both elements of the rental package (percentage rent and minimum guarantee). High scores will be given to proposers who propose rental packages significantly exceeding the minimum requested in the RFP.

2. Validity of revenue and expense projections as found in the proforma.

- Score = _____ (Maximum 10 pts)

Scoring Criteria

High scores will be given for sound revenue and expense projections in the proforma. All assumptions must be thoroughly explained. If assumptions differ from staff's proforma, all major differences must be clarified. Lower scores will be given to proposals with questionable projections that cannot be adequately explained or justified.

B. APPROPRIATENESS, LEVEL, QUALITY, AND VALUE OF PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS

Score: _____ (Maximum 10 pts)

1. Proposer's improvement program, which includes equipment, furnishings, inventory, and an ongoing refurbishment and maintenance program, represents an investment in the concession premises which adds value, improves operations, increases service, and/or raises gross revenue levels. Capital improvements are

not required, but proposer has the option to offer capital improvements which offer value, improve operations, increase service, and/or raise gross revenue levels.

- Score = _____ (Maximum 10 pts)

Scoring Criteria

High scores will be given to improvements which meet or exceed the expectations of the RFP and demonstrate the potential to significantly improve operations, increase service, and/or raise gross revenues. Examples of equipment and furnishings improvements include:

- High quality, state-of-the-art food service and food preparation equipment.
- Attractive furnishings (tables, chairs, wall and floor coverings) which enhance the dining experience.

Lower scores will be given to proposals which contain proposed capital improvement programs that have little or no value to the concession or may not be acceptable to the Department and surrounding community.

C. BUSINESS EXPERIENCE, QUALIFICATIONS, AND MARKETING

Score: _____ (Maximum 20 pts)

1. The proposer has verifiable experience in the management of this type of concession as required in the Section V of the RFP.

- Score = _____ (Maximum 10 pts)

Scoring Criteria:

High scores will be given to proposers with a blend of:

- Long term experience in the operation of a facility similar in size and scope to the concession described in the RFP.
 - Broad experience in the operation of multiple facilities similar to the concession.
 - If the proposer employs a Concession Manager to meet the experience requirement, the background of the Concession Manager should include long term and broad experience in the operation of a facility or facilities similar to the concession.
2. As demonstrated by performance in current or past operations, the proposer is well qualified to operate the concession.
- Score = _____ (Maximum 5 pts)

Scoring Criteria:

Department staff will conduct background checks and provide the selection panel with a report relative to the proposers qualifications. As verified by available references, inspections, and document reviews, high scores will be given to proposers (and Concession Managers) that have a proven record of providing outstanding service in all aspects of operating facilities similar to the concession. Lower scores will be given to proposers which have a record of providing only satisfactory service or have had operational problems.

2. Proposer is knowledgeable of the business characteristics of the concession.
 - Score = _____ (Maximum 5 pts)

Scoring Criteria

High scores will be given to proposers who have conducted surveys and investigations regarding the business characteristics of the concession, including local market potential and competition in the area and have innovative advertising ideas and marketing strategies. An expressed desire and ability to cooperate with Department staff and other on site concession operations to provide a customer friendly atmosphere will also be scored highly. Proposers with little or no information regarding the concession will be scored lower.

D. FINANCIAL CAPABILITY AND STABILITY

Score: _____ (Maximum 20 pts)

1. Proposer has verified financial capability to adequately fund: (a) the start-up of concession operations; (b) the required capital improvements.
 - Score = _____ (Maximum 15 pts)

Scoring Criteria

The highest scores will be given to proposers with funds available from the proposer's private capital or who have funds committed in writing and confirmed by commercial lenders or third parties. Lower scores will be given if funds are not confirmed or verified.

2. Proposer has a record of financial stability
 - Score = _____ (Maximum 5 pts)

Scoring Criteria

Higher scores will be given to proposers with strong credit records as verified by credit rating services and others (i.e., Dun and Bradstreet reports, consultant evaluations, etc.). Lower scores will be given to proposers with low credit ratings and/or a history of financial problems.

E. VALUE AND LEVEL OF PROPOSED SERVICES

Score: _____ (Maximum 25 pts)

1. Proposer's service program.

- Score = _____ (Maximum 25 pts)

Scoring Criteria

Higher scores will be given to proposers with excellent, well documented, full-service programs and the staff to implement same immediately upon commencement of the concession agreement. Examples of important service programs for food concessions include:

- Quality of food
- Range of food selection
- Appropriateness of atmosphere
- Plans to maximize public use of the concession
- Unique themes and/or activities
- Excellent customer service through staff training and development programs
- Mobile operation

F. COMMUNITY OUTREACH APPROACH TO CONCESSION

Score: _____ (Maximum 5 pts)

1. Proposer is aware of the demographics and special needs of the community the concession serves.

- Score = _____ (Maximum 5 pts)

Scoring Criteria

High scores will be given to proposers who have considerable knowledge of the community and its special needs. Important considerations for food concessions include:

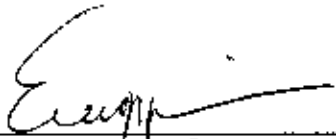
- Offer employment and internships to needy community residents and at risk youth
- Involvement in local charity functions and programs
- Involvement in community improvement and service programs

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SUBJECT: Transfer and Loan of Historic Fire Fighting Apparatus
from the Travel Town Museum to the Los Angeles Fire
Department

J. Combs _____	J. Kolb _____
A. Corrales _____	M. Tamari _____
J. Duggan _____	K. Matthews _____
H. Fujita _____	



General Manager

Approved _____ Disapproved _____ Withdrawn _____

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board authorize a transfer and assignment of the following historic artifacts from the Travel Town Museum to the Los Angeles Fire Department (LAFD) for use in their new fire-fighting Museum: 1937 American La France Triple Combination Pumper (Accession No. 62.01), Water Tower #24 (Accession No. 69.03), and two 1929 Seagrave Hose Wagons (Accession No. 62.04); and,

That the Board direct staff to transact a permanent loan of the following additional fire-fighting equipment which has specific relevance to the LAFD Museum: the Hayes Aerial Ladder Truck (Accession No. XX.10), 1910 Anderson Aerial Ladder Truck with 1913 Seagrave Tractor, including three ladders, two poles and trampoline frame (Accession No. 54.08), two hand-drawn hose reels and a hand-drawn double cylinder chemical tank (Accession No. 56.01), and one Pompier ladder (Accession No. XX.68); and,

That the Board accept with gratitude the efforts of the LAFD to relocate three narrow gauge, wooden railroad cars from the Museum's outdoor display area into the existing Exhibit Building as part of the mutual agreement for the transfer and loan of the fire-fighting apparatus.

SUMMARY:

In the founding decade of the Travel Town Museum (1952-1962), staff tended to follow typical museum practices of the day by collecting every available artifact that related in any way to the general theme of the museum. In this fashion, a vast array

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of equipment and artifacts from early in the century and before World War II were preserved, which would otherwise have been lost in the rush to modernization after World War II. However, caring for these diverse, aging collections has become an ever greater challenge for all museums as the century came to a close; also, museum practices have evolved considerably in understanding how to use collected artifacts to tell a coherent and worthwhile story about history, technological advancement, social trends, and so on. Hence, a key element in the Travel Town Master Plan, approved by the Board in 1987, was to evaluate the full inventory of historic materials and artifacts which had been collected over the years for Travel Town, to decide which ones were appropriate to retain and to be cared for, and then to find appropriate homes for the remainder at other museums. In fulfillment of this directive, Museum staff was able to place, for example, the miscellaneous military aircrafts in aircraft museums, to move the construction equipment to a museum specializing in machines and tractors, and to relocate oil pumping equipment to an early oil field museum.

The collection of fire-fighting equipment at the Travel Town Museum presented a special challenge, however. Nearly all of the displayed equipment was clearly traced to Los Angeles or other local cities. The collection included an early, horse drawn aerial ladder truck that is extraordinarily rare and nationally valuable. In total, the collection could be readily used to illustrate quite well the history of fire fighting in the Los Angeles area from the time the LAFD formed to nearly World War II. While Travel Town staff, indeed, performed the research to compile such an exhibit, which opened in 1987, they also built a relationship with the LAFD. At that time, a dream of the LAFD, which had recently celebrated its centennial, was to open a Los Angeles Museum of Fire Fighting. Combined with a few other pieces of equipment still owned by LAFD, the Travel Town collection would clearly make a desirable base collection for a museum. Several of the pieces had been acquired by Recreation and Parks from the Fire Department directly. Since a goal of the Travel Town Master Plan was to cull the collection along a railroad theme, and the Museum philosophically supported efforts to create other public museums saluting important aspects of Los Angeles history, the two Departments came to an understanding that a portion of the fire-fighting collection would properly be housed in a LAFD museum, when it came to fruition.

That day has now approached. Fire Station No. 27, built in 1930, has been reconstructed for future use as a museum space: a pre-

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opening has been planned, and initially public tours will be offered on weekends. LAFD has requested a transfer of all former LAFD apparatus, and consideration of a loan of other items which are connected to the LAFD Museum's theme, though the artifacts may have come to Travel Town through sources other than LAFD.

Four of the pieces under request were given to Recreation and Parks by the LAFD. Staff recommends a direct transfer of those pieces. Other pieces were donated by other sources, and in order to serve the original commitment of the Department in accepting these artifacts for public display, staff recommends a permanent loan of those items to LAFD, thus insuring they stay within the City family. Several pieces have been previously loaned on a temporary basis to the LAFD.

The withdrawal of the historic fire-fighting equipment will leave the existing metal exhibit building about one-half full, which staff has long anticipated. These transfer and loan actions will provide the Museum the opportunity to move, under cover, three wooden narrow gauge railroad cars formerly used in the Owens Valley, north of Los Angeles. The narrow gauge railway post office, boxcar, and stock car are valuable connections to local history, and due to their less rigorous original construction, are particularly suffering after forty years of display without overhead protection from sun and rain. The LAFD experts and equipment which will be used to relocate the fire fighting apparatus will afterwards return to the Museum to relocate the three railroad cars into the Exhibit Building. LAFD's heavy equipment unit has had previous experience at the Museum assisting in similar projects.

Staff perceives that this transfer and loan can be a turning point for the Travel Town Museum: as we prepare to enter the 50th anniversary year of the Museum, the Department can finally and fully achieve the Master Plan goal of focusing the Collection on railroad-related history. We also look forward to continuing our partnership with the Los Angeles Fire Department as we share research and exhibit materials accumulated over the years by the Travel Town Museum.

Report prepared by: Linda Barth

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BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

SUBJECT: REYNIER PARK - OUTDOOR IMPROVEMENTS (#1343A) - FINAL ACCEPTANCE

J. Combs _____
A. Corrales _____
J. Duggan _____
J. Kolb _____

H. Fujita _____
M. Tamuni _____
M. Matthews _____



General Manager

Approved _____

Disapproved _____

Withdrawn _____

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Board:

1. Accept the work performed under Contract No. 2958 outlined in the body of this report;
2. Authorize the Department's Director of Finance to release all retention monies 35 calendar days after acceptance by the Board of T & J Field Construction Company, Inc. held under Contract No. 2958;
3. Authorize the Board Secretary to finish T & J Field Construction Company, Inc. with a letter of completion; and,
4. Assess liquidated damages in the amount of \$19,250.00.

SUMMARY:

The construction contract for the Reynier Park - Outdoor Improvement (#1343A) project, was awarded to T & J Field Construction, Inc., on June 7, 2000 in the amount of \$156,593.00. Construction began on July 17, 2000. The work involved the construction of a new restroom building, construction of a soil mound in the grass area of the park, and installing new concrete walkways, grass and sprinklers around the new restroom building.

There have been fourteen change orders issued on this project for a total amount of \$18,388.27. The total funds expended on this project was \$174,981.27.

The construction start date for this project was July 17, 2000. The project had 120 calendar days scheduled for construction and 49 calendar days scheduled for landscape maintenance for a total project length of 169 calendar days. The original scheduled completion date was January 2, 2001. During construction the contractor was awarded 109 days of additional construction time through

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14 change orders. This advanced the completion date to April 20, 2001. The actual date construction was complete was June 28, 2001, seventy (70) calendar days later.

Work for the Construction of the Reynier Park – Outdoor Development (#1343A) project fell behind schedule right from the start of the project and continued at a slow pace for the duration of the project.

The Department repeatedly notified T & J Field Construction Company of the lack of progress during weekly construction meetings and with Certified letters. On July 3, 2001, the Department staff met with T & J Field Construction Company to review the number of days in liquidated damages.

Staff hereby recommends the assessment of liquidated damages for the time beginning on April 21, 2001, the day after the scheduled completion date to the actual completion date of June 28, 2001, totaling seventy (70) calendar days. The amount of liquidated damages stipulated in the contract documents for this project is \$275.00 per day times seventy calendar days totals \$19,250.00.

The project was funded with Prop K and Quimby monies. Department staff has consulted with the Office of Contract Compliance (OCC) concerning the status of labor compliance and Affirmative Action requirements on this project. There are no outstanding wage violations and T & J Field Construction Company Inc. Contractor is in compliance.

Prepared by Ken Burner, Project Manager

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BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

SUBJECT: AUTHORIZATION TO APPLY FOR GRANT FUNDING FOR TEMPLE
BEVERLY PARK PHASE II

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Approved _____ Disapproved _____ Withdrawn _____

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Board, subject to Council approval pursuant to the Los Angeles Administrative Code Section 14.7, authorize the General Manager and the City of Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks to apply to the California Department of Parks and Recreation's Resources Agency, under the Urban Recreational, and Cultural Centers, Museums, and Facilities For Wildlife Education or Environmental Educational Grant Program, for funding in the amount \$2.5 million to expand the current planned facility for the Temple-Beverly Project. This project is on an underutilized parcel in the Temple-Beverly neighborhood in Los Angeles. The project was determined to be categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and a Notice of Exemption was filed in the Office of the County Clerk on November 28, 2000.

SUMMARY:

The 2000 Bond Act (Proposition 12) has a grant category, "Urban Recreational and Cultural Centers, Museums, and Facilities for Wildlife or Environmental Education." State Legislators nominated projects for this category. Four hundred and sixty projects were nominated, requesting grant funding in excess of \$410 million. Approximately \$8 million are available for this grant program. Only projects previously nominated by a member of the Legislature are eligible. Jackie Goldberg, the Assembly Member for the 45th District, nominated Temple-Beverly Park - Phase II. The grant was nominated in the amount of \$2.5 million and the application is due November 1, 2001

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The land is currently in escrow and in addition to the community building, the project will include other recreational amenities such as basketball courts, play equipment, picnic tables and landscaping.

This grant does not require a match.

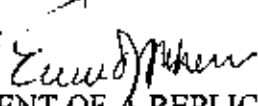
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CITY OF LOS ANGELES
Department of Recreation and Parks

October 17, 2001

TO: BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

FROM: ELLEN OPPENHEIM, General Manager 

SUBJECT: PRESENTATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF A REPLICA OF THE FISHING
INDUSTRY MEMORIAL

This report is to inform the Board that the members of the Fishing Memorial Committee have presented the Department with a miniature replica of the Fishing Industry Memorial. This gesture was made in appreciation of the Department's efforts in helping to secure a location for the Memorial, which commemorates the significant contribution of the fishing industry to the development of the Harbor area.

History

The fishing industry has played a paramount role in defining the history of the local community. It has helped influence the economy of the region and has had great impact on the people who settled in the local area. The fishing industry in San Pedro was originated by fishermen from many nations, who brought fishing techniques and knowledge from their own native lands. For many decades, from the end of the nineteenth century through the second half of the next, many persons made their livelihoods from the fishing boats and canneries which were once a predominant part of the local landscape.

In 1892, Southern California Fish Corporation was established as the first fish cannery in Los Angeles Harbor. A newer, and improved technique was introduced at the first of the twentieth century to can sardines, mackerel, and bluefin, yellowfin and albacore tuna. This, in turn, had a corresponding growth effect on canneries and other related fishing industries. A decade later, the first fresh fish market was opened in San Pedro, which helped open up the critical demand chain even further, so that local fishermen were able to supply both fresh and ice-packed fish throughout the nation.

Soon large fleets of purse seine boats from other parts of the West Coast were plying the waters near San Pedro, to take advantage of the local marine bounty and the expanded consumer market for fish. As other methods of catching and gathering fish were devised, Los Angeles Harbor became the largest fishing port, nationally. As the largest employer in the area, over 6,000 people were employed by the fishing industry in the decade following the Depression. During World War II, the industry was considered at its peak. However, in the late twentieth century, a variety of factors lead to the gradual diminishment of the local fish population, and the corresponding decline in the local fishing and fish-related industries.

In 1992, the Fishermen's Fiesta Committee conceived of a plan to erect a memorial to local fishermen to commemorate the important role they played in the history and development of their community. From this original group, a committee was formed of descendants and local fishermen to oversee this project. A bronze memorial was conceived and commissioned. The full scale memorial to local fishermen was dedicated on April 25, 1999, through the efforts of the Committee and with the assistance of Councilmember Rudy Svorinich and the Department of Recreation and Parks.

The Memorial Committee felt that it would be appropriate to recognize the contribution of the Department in the project by presenting it with a model, which was built as part of the Cultural Affairs approval process, and which was also shown to prospective donors of the donor's wall. The bronze scale model, which is enclosed in a glass case and sits on an oak pedestal, has been placed in the lobby of the Pacific Region Administration building where it was presented by the Committee.

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