

REPORT OF GENERAL MANAGER

NO. 02-169

DATE April 17, 2002

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BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

SUBJECT: LOS ANGELES RIVERFRONT PARK - LAND ACQUISITION AND GREENING (#1199B) - APPROVAL OF FINAL PLANS AND CALL FOR BIDS

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Withdrawn _____

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that:

1. Final plans and specifications be approved; and,
2. The date for bids be advertised as Tuesday, May 28, 2002 at 3:00 p.m. in the Board Office.

SUMMARY:

Submitted are final plans and specifications for the Los Angeles Riverfront Park - Land Acquisition and Greening (#1199B) project, located between Laurel Canyon Blvd. and Whitsett Ave., in the Studio City area of Los Angeles. The plans were prepared by Nuvis, a landscape architectural consulting firm with the Department. The plans call for the construction of a multi-purpose trail along the south side of the river which will be of asphalt paving with fencing. The slopes on both sides of the river will receive planting and automated irrigation. Some retaining walls to control soil erosion and ramps to provide access to the two streets will be installed on the south side of the river. An existing D.G. path will be maintained on the north side of the river. Pedestrian access will be improved with entry areas at Whitsett Ave. and at Laurel Canyon Blvd. on both the south side and the north side of the river. Concrete steps in one area on the north side of the river adjacent to an existing pedestrian bridge will be provided. Drinking fountains will be added, some boulders will provide natural seating areas. Lighting will be provided at all ramps.

The construction cost estimate for the complete project is \$1,645,000.00. Funds for construction are available from Prop K funds, Fund 698, Account N232.

Staff has determined that this project is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article VII, Section 1, Class 1 (3,7,12,13), and Class 11 (3,5) and Class 25, of the City CEQA Guidelines.

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

Prepared by Robert Gutierrez, Landscape Architectural Project Manager.