

S P E C I A L A G E N D A

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

Wednesday, February 20, 2002 - 5:30 p.m.
Granada Hills Recreation Center
16730 Chatsworth Street
Los Angeles, California 90012

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 OF THE MEETING. EACH SPEAKER WILL BE GRANTED TWO MINUTES.

1. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORTS:

- 02-77 Supplemental Agreement No. 3 to Consultant Contract No. 2662 with AHT Architects, Inc. for As-Needed Architectural Design Services

- 02-78 Approval of a Transfer of Funds Between the Department of Recreation and Parks and the Department of General Services for the Construction of the Sepulveda Basin Woodley Golf Clubhouse (#1554A)

- 02-79 Amateur Athletic Foundation (AAF) - Request to Submit Grant Application and Agreement for Summer Swim 2002

- 02-80 Greek Theatre Concession Agreement Revisions

- 02-81 Amendment to Personnel Resolution No. 9932 - Section 1B Part-time/Intermittent Positions - Child Care Associate, Delivery Driver I, and Delivery Driver II

- 02-82 Approval of Sub-Contract for Japanese Community Center

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- 02-84 Hansen Dam and Sepulveda Dam Recreation Areas - Extension of Leases with Army Corps of Engineers

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02-85 Approval of a Memorandum of Understanding
Between the Department of Recreation and Parks
and the Bureau of Street Services to Construct
Roadway Improvements at Hansen Dam Area
Dronfield Entrance (#1165A)

4. NEXT MEETING:

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Recreation and Park Commissioners will be held on Wednesday, March 6, 2002 at 9:30 a.m., City Hall East, 200 North Main Street, Room 1325, Los Angeles, California 90012.

5. ADJOURNMENT:

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Finalization of Commission Actions: In accordance with City Charter Section 245, 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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REPORT OF GENERAL MANAGER

NO. 02-77

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SUBJECT: SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT NO. 3 TO CONSULTANT CONTRACT NO.
2662 WITH AHT ARCHITECTS, INC. FOR AS-NEEDED ARCHITECTURAL
DESIGN SERVICES

G. Lum _____
K. Regan _____
S. Klippel _____
J. Combs _____

J. Duggan _____
M. Tamuri _____
H. Fujita _____



General Manager

Approved _____

Disapproved _____

Withdrawn _____

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Board:

1. Approve an increase in the term of the contract for an additional two (2) years for a total of nine (9) years;
2. Find that the Department does not have available in its employ personnel with sufficient time and the necessary expertise to undertake these specialized professional tasks in a timely manner and it is more feasible and economical as well as in the Department's best interest, to secure these services by contract; and,
3. Direct the Board Secretary to submit the agreement to the City Attorney and Mayor for review and recommendation in accordance with Executive Directive No. 16, prior to final action by the Board.

SUMMARY:

On July 6, 1995, the Department entered into a personal services contract with AHT Architects, Inc. for as-needed architectural design services. The contract was for a term of three (3) years, with maximum compensation to the consultant of \$300,000.00.

On February 18, 1998 the contract was amended increasing the amount by \$300,000.00 to \$600,000.00 and extending the term for an additional two (2) years, for a new total of (5) five years.

On January 6, 1999 Amendment No. 1 was executed extending the contract for an additional two (2) years, for a new total of (7) seven years.

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On August 9, 2000 the Board approved Supplemental Agreement No. 2 to extend the term of the contract because the two of the projects they were working on: 1) Echo Park Childcare Center (#1607D) and 2) Imperial Courts Recreation Center (#1605D) were still in progress and the consultants services were needed.

At this time, the contract is recommended for amendment once again on the basis that the contract will expire in July 2002 and these two projects are still outstanding. The consultant's services continue to be required because they are the architect of record for the Echo Park Childcare Center (#1607D) which has had several project delays, and Imperial Courts Recreation Center (#1605D) which has also been delayed, due to contractor debarment proceedings and delays in the surety assigning a new contractor to the project.

The Board should note that these projects will be AHT's only assignments, in that the Department has hired several new design firms.

This contract is recommended for amendment in compliance with all Department and City procedures, polices and laws applicable to the award of the contracts. Principals of the firm are not employees or officials of the City; are free to make recommendations or perform the services specified in the contract; and have no authority, with respect to the City's decisions relating to the project, beyond fulfilling the provisions of the contract.

The firm has agreed in writing to comply with and/or has submitted the appropriate, executed forms (listed below) as outlined on the CAO's "Analysis of Proposed Contract" form:

Child Care and Child Support Declaration Statements

Affirmative Action Program

Business Tax Registration Certificate

Equal Benefits Ordinance

MBE/WBE Policy

Living Wage, Service Worker Retention Ordinance

Insurance Requirements

All compensation to the consultant is provided in the funding of each individual project that the firm works on; therefore, there will be no decrease in the revenue or increase in costs to the City.

Prepared by Veronica Buenrostro, Management Assistant.

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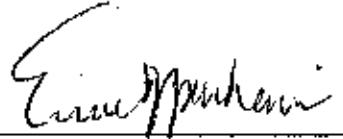
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BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF A TRANSFER OF FUNDS BETWEEN THE DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION AND PARKS AND THE DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE SEPULVEDA BASIN WOODLEY GOLF CLUBHOUSE (#1554A)

J. Cornbs _____
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. Approve Amendment No. 2 to the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Department of Recreation and Parks and Department of General Service (GSD) for construction services.
2. Authorize the Director of Finance to transfer funds in the amount of \$107,730.00 from Fund 302, Account 932AD, to the Department of General Services (GSD) as payment for construction services associated with the Sepulveda Basin Woodley Golf Clubhouse (#1554A).

SUMMARY:

On July 11, 2001, the Board approved a Memorandum of Understanding between the Department of Recreation and Parks and the Department of General Services (Board Report No. 01-260) for construction services and approved a transfer of funds in the amount of \$237,464.00. Subsequent Board action authorized an additional increase and transfer in the amount of \$449,883.00, for a grand total of \$687,347.00 which represents the amount estimated by GSD to complete the balance of the incomplete work.

As the completion work has been progressing, a clearer picture of unforeseen conditions and their associated cost has come to surface. GSD estimates that an additional \$107,730.00 will be required to complete the work. These additional costs are based on extra work that was either missed in the original estimate; are latent defects that could not have known at the time that the estimate was prepared by GSD; or are a result of extra work requested by the Department.

There is a \$47,900.00 contingency in the agreement between the Department and the surety for missed bid items. In addition, there is no cap on the amount required to be provided by the surety to correct latent defects.

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Of the original \$229,552.60 construction contingency budget (10%) allocated as part of the contract with Target Construction, \$89,394.00 (3.9%) was expended at the time of contract cancellation.

Prepared by Armando De La O, Contract Administrator.

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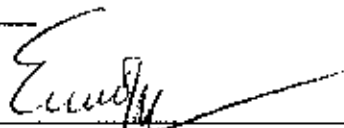
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SUBJECT: AMATEUR ATHLETIC FOUNDATION (AAF) - REQUEST TO SUBMIT GRANT APPLICATION AND AGREEMENT FOR SUMMER SWIM 2002

* J. Combs 
 T. Corrales _____
 J. Duggan _____
 H. Fujita _____

J. Kolb _____
 M. Tamuri _____
 M. Matthews _____



 General Manager

Approved _____

Disapproved _____

Withdrawn _____

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Board:

1. Authorize the General Manager to request authority from the Mayor and City Council to apply to the AAF in the amount of \$65,345.92 for the SUMMER SWIM 2002 Program in accordance with Executive Directive No. 26; and
2. Authorize the General Manager to execute the resultant grant agreement, and any subsequent amendments thereto, on behalf of the City, subject to approval as to form, and legality by the City Attorney.

SUMMARY

The Department and the AAF have conducted Summer Swim programs for the past fifteen years. The program's goal is to serve the entire City of Los Angeles by offering a positive experience for youth while increasing their knowledge of aquatic safety.

Funding will provide for swim lesson scholarships, swim team participation sponsorships, pool equipment, Water Polo and Synchronized Swimming. This year's grant provides for a ten week Winter/ Spring Program, which will expand the participation levels.

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Following is a breakdown of the funding request by region:

SPRING 2001

	Sponsorships	Equipment	Uniforms	Scholarships	Water Polo & Synchron. Swim Festival	Water Polo Clinics	
GRIFFITH/METRO	\$2,160.00	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	\$2,160.00
PACIFIC	\$2,700.00	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	\$2,700.00
VALLEY	\$1,080.00	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	\$1,080.00
CITYWIDE	-0-	\$11,837.25	-0-	-0-	\$3,736.93	-0-	\$15,574.18
	\$5,940.00	\$11,837.25	-0-	-0-	\$3,736.93	-0-	\$21,514.18

SUMMER 2001

	Sponsorships	Equipment	Uniforms	Scholarships	Water Polo, Synchron. Swim & Swim Festival	Water Polo Clinics	
GRIFFITH/METRO	\$6,698.00	0	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	\$6,698.00
PACIFIC	\$6,069.00	0	-0-	\$1,131.75	-0-	-0-	\$7,200.75
VALLEY	\$4,777.00	0	-0-	\$3,531.06	-0-	-0-	\$8,308.06
CITYWIDE	-0-	\$6,674.11	\$6,183.25	-0-	\$8,767.57	-0-	\$21,624.93
	\$17,544.00	\$6,674.11	\$6,183.25	\$4,662.81	\$8,767.57	-0-	\$43,831.74

Total: \$65,345.92

This report was prepared by Vicki Israel and Lydia Ritzman.

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SUBJECT: GREEK THEATRE CONCESSION AGREEMENT REVISIONS

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

J. Kolb _____
M. Matthews _____
M. Tamuri _____


General Manager

Approved _____

Disapproved _____

Withdrawn _____

RECOMMENDATION:

1. That the Board approve revisions to the Greek Theatre Concession Agreement as indicated in the body of this report; and,
2. That staff be directed to make the revisions to said agreement and to transmit revised copies of the agreement to the Mayor and the City Attorney for review prior to submission to the City Council for approval.

SUMMARY:

The Board approved a 10-year agreement with Nederlander-Greek, Inc., (NGI) at its meeting of November 7, 2001, for the operation and improvement of the Greek Theatre. Subsequent to that meeting, NGI representatives expressed concerns regarding several provisions of the agreement. The Board considered these concerns at its meeting of December 13, 2001, and approved a number of the revisions requested by NGI. In addition, the Board directed the General Manager to include language in the agreement which would allow the Board to consider appropriate actions to deal with potential construction impacts on the 2003 Greek Theatre season that could be incorporated without further Board action.

The General Manager and staff met with NGI representatives on several occasions to resolve this issue and other concerns raised by NGI after the December 13th meeting. Since resolution of one of

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these issues involves a substantive change to the agreement (change in construction schedule), it is necessary for the Board to consider the proposed revisions.

Change in Construction Schedule

The contract approved by the Board on December 13, 2001, required that all capital improvements (except waterproofing the deck) be completed by the start of the 2003 season (April 15, 2003). However, due to the delay in the execution of the agreement, NGI's construction management consultant (Wexco International Corporation) has determined that it will not be feasible to complete the canopy structure improvement in time for the 2003 season and that it will take an accelerated effort to finish the other improvements prior to the start of the 2003 season.

To verify this information, staff retained one of the Department's as-needed consultants (Swinerton Management and Consulting) to review Wexco's construction timeline. Swinerton concurred that completion of all improvements (except the canopy structure) could be accomplished in 2003 and stated that the project schedule is "difficult, but attainable." Accordingly, the following ~~highlighted~~ language has been added to the section of the agreement (Section 10) dealing with the construction schedule:

CONCESSIONAIRE guarantees that \$6,052,000 is sufficient to complete all proposed improvements. CITY shall hold CONCESSIONAIRE responsible for guaranteeing the completion of all required improvements, according to approved plans, regardless of cost. CONCESSIONAIRE shall use its best efforts to complete all capital improvements on or before April 15, 2003. In the event CONCESSIONAIRE fails to substantially complete all capital improvements as scheduled, CONCESSIONAIRE shall pay CITY the additional sum of \$1,000 liquidated damages per day that all capital improvements are not completed. ~~However, waterproofing of the seating deck and the installation of the new canopy structure need not be completed by this date, but instead will be completed by April 15, 2004. Liquidated damages as described above will be applicable upon the completion of waterproofing of the seating deck and the installation of the canopy structure and start on April 15, 2004, if said improvements are not completed by that date.~~

Consideration of Payment Reductions Related to Construction Impacts

To address the Board's action at the December 13th meeting to include language in the agreement which would allow the Board to consider appropriate mechanisms to deal with potential construction impacts on the 2003 Greek Theatre season, staff consulted with the City Attorney and recommends that the following be added to Section 6 (B) of the agreement:

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- **Consideration of Payment Reductions**

In the event that after using its best efforts CONCESSIONAIRE is unable to complete the construction as required in Section 10 of this AGREEMENT by April 15, 2003, as a result of causes beyond CONCESSIONAIRE'S control, and that circumstance directly and materially impacts CONCESSIONAIRE'S ability to meet the performance guarantee and/or annual minimum rental guarantee applicable under the terms of this AGREEMENT, CONCESSIONAIRE may submit a request for a reduction of the performance guarantee and/or annual minimum rental guarantee as it applies to the 2003 season only, and/or a waiver of the liquidated damages specified in Section 10 of this AGREEMENT. The Board will consider the request in good faith in light of applicable Board policies.

Addition to Force Majeure Clause

NGI requested, and staff agrees, that the following addition (highlighted) be made to the Force Majeure clause of the agreement (Section 27):

Should national or international events such as terrorism or the threat of terrorism have a material impact on the ability of CONCESSIONAIRE to present concert performances on the premises and meet its financial obligations to the CITY under this agreement, CITY and CONCESSIONAIRE shall meet and confer in good faith to review and determine what remedies, relief, or abatement is equitable or appropriate as a result of or response to such events or terrorism.

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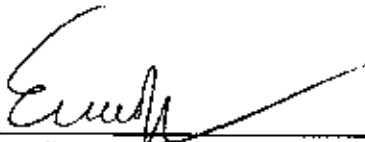
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BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

SUBJECT: Amendment to Personnel Resolution No. 9932 -
Section 1B Part-Time/Intermittent Positions - Child Care
Associate, Delivery Driver I, and Delivery Driver II

J. Combs _____ J. Kolb _____
T. Corrales _____ M. Tamuri _____
J. Duggan _____ M. Matthews _____
H. Fujita _____



General Manager

Approved _____ Disapproved _____ Withdrawn _____

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board amend Personnel Resolution No. 9932 effective immediately as follows:

Section 1B - Part-Time/Intermittent Positions:

1. ADD

<u>No.</u>	<u>Code</u>	<u>Classification</u>	<u>MOU</u>
-	2490	Child Care Associate	11
-	11211	Delivery Driver I	3
-	11212	Delivery Driver II	3

SUMMARY:

During recent contract negotiations with AFSCME Local 741 for the new Recreation Assistant MOU, the Department agreed to establish and fill Delivery Driver I and Delivery Driver II positions in the Senior Nutrition Program and other programs as appropriate. The agreement also requires that part-time Child Care Associate positions be established and filled at all Licensed Child Care facilities. Currently, these functions are being performed by employees in the classes of Recreation Assistant II and Recreation Assistant III.

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The additional salary cost for filling the positions is estimated to be approximately \$34,000 for the remainder of the fiscal year. It will be paid entirely out of MRF funds.

Submitted by Peter Graná

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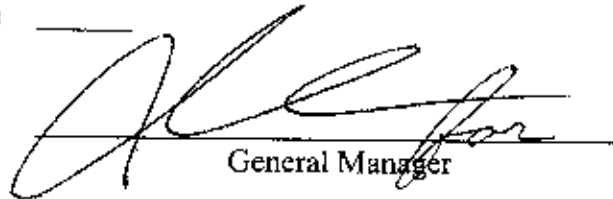
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BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF SUB-CONTRACT FOR JAPANESE COMMUNITY CENTER

* J. Combs _____
 T. Corrales _____
 J. Duggan _____
 H. Fujita _____

J. Kolb _____
 M. Tamari _____
 M. Matthews _____


 General Manager

Approved _____

Disapproved _____

Withdrawn _____

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Board:

Authorize the General Manager to execute the sub-contract with the Japanese Community Pioneer Center in the amount of \$130,402 to provide social services and nutrition programs to the Japanese senior population in the Department of Aging's central service area, subject to approval as to form and legality by the City Attorney.

SUMMARY:

The Department of Recreation and Parks is contracted by the Department of Aging to provide social services and nutrition programs to the westside, central, and northwest valley aging service areas (Contract No. C-102246). These ongoing programs are funded annually by the Department of Aging through the Older Americans Act (OAA) grant. The services are identified in the budget pages of the aforementioned contract under the central aging service area.

Department of Recreation and Parks operates three multi-purpose senior citizen centers and 15 satellite senior nutrition centers. The Japanese Community Pioneer Center is one of the non-profit agencies sub-contracted by the Department of Recreation and Parks to provide social services and nutrition (congregate and home-delivered meals) to the Japanese senior population.

This sub-contract is for the period July 1, 2001 through June 30, 2002 and funds are available from the executed contract between the Department of Recreation and Parks and the Department of Aging for the same period.

This Board Report was prepared by Vicki Israel and Gino Ogtong

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BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

SUBJECT: DONATION OF A SYNTHETIC SPORTS FIELD BY NIKE AND THE U.S. SOCCER FEDERATION FOUNDATION (APPROX. \$500,000)

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



General Manager

Approved _____ Disapproved _____ Withdrawn _____

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Board:

1. Authorize the General Manager to enter into an agreement with Nike, Inc. and the United States Soccer Federation Foundation, Inc. (USSF) donating the construction of a soccer field and installation of artificial turf at the Ross Snyder Recreation Center, 1501 East 41st Street, Los Angeles, California, 90011.
2. Authorize the General Manager to execute the agreements, and any amendments thereto, subject to the review of the City Attorney as to form.

SUMMARY

Nike Corporation and the United State Soccer Foundation have offered to install an artificial turf field on an existing Ross Snyder Recreation Center Field. Griffith Metro Region staff agrees that the donation would enhance the existing field. The donation will include the turf installation as well as all prep work on the field and will total approximately \$500,000. Conditions of the contract will include USSF and Nike use of the field for a tournament and dedication in May or early June, future no-cost use of the field with proper advance notification, Nike and USSF logos placed permanently on the field and proper maintenance by the City.

There is some urgency on the part of Nike and USSF, as the field dedication is to be part of the Los Angeles celebration of the World Soccer Cup in late May. Delay in processing the agreement will mean that the Department of Recreation and Parks will lose the donation.

A draft agreement from Nike is attached, as is an email communication from the company changing the conditions to include all site preparation costs.

This report was prepared by Jane Kolb.

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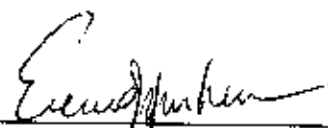
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SUBJECT: HANSEN DAM AND SEPULVEDA DAM RECREATION AREAS - EXTENSION OF LEASES WITH ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS

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

H. Fujita
*M. Tamuri
M. Matthews

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General Manager

Approved _____

Disapproved _____

Withdrawn _____

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Board:

1. Approve the adoption of the attached Resolution for the proposed extension of the Leases between the Department and the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers for the continued operation, land use, maintenance and capital improvements by the Department at the Hansen Dam and Sepulveda Dam Recreation Areas;
2. Direct the Board Secretary to transmit the Lease extension documents to the Mayor in accordance with Executive Directive No. 16 for review and concurrently to the City Attorney for review;
3. Upon obtaining the necessary approvals, authorize the Board President and Secretary to execute the Lease extensions; and,
4. Authorize the General Manager to represent the Department in negotiating amendments to the two lease extensions.

SUMMARY:

In April 2001 the Department submitted a grant application for \$1 million to enhance the Pedlow Fields Skate Park in the Sepulveda Dam Recreation Area and a second application for \$2.8 million to partially fund the construction of the country's first National Youth Baseball Academy in the Hansen Dam Recreation Area. The project is jointly sponsored by Major League Baseball.

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The two proposals are being considered for funding by the City of Los Angeles LA for Kids Proposition K Steering Committee subject to a review of compliance with proposal requirements.

One requirement for applicants is that the applicant have site control for a number of years, the exact term varying with the size of the grant and funding source. The Department leases both recreation areas from the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers. The fifty-year lease for Sepulveda Dam expires in 2016; the similarly termed lease for Hansen Dam expires in 2019. The Steering Committee has expressed concern that the terms remaining on the leases are too short to fully meet site-control requirements; consequently, the Department requested that the Corps extend the current leases by twenty-five years.

In November 2001 the Corps sent correspondence agreeing to the request. Representatives of the Corps have verbally indicated that the Department can expect to receive the extensions shortly. The purpose of this Report is to allow the Department to proceed expeditiously with the lease extensions so as to meet grant deadlines and not jeopardize funding for the projects.

Funding for the projects evaluated by the Committee will come from either the City-administered Proposition K or the State-administered Proposition 12 (Roberti-Z'berg-Harris). The Board of Recreation and Park Commissioners had earlier approved the development and submission of grant proposals on March 21, 2001 (Report No. 01-94).

Background

In November 2001 the Corps gave conceptual approval for the expansion of the Pedlow Fields Skate Park, located at 17334 Victory Boulevard in Encino. The park had opened earlier in 2001 following a community survey that indicated the need for more recreational outlets for teen-aged youths, who especially favor less traditional sports programs. The park's location near two high schools, on a primary bus route and close to a bike path contributed to its immediate popularity. The need for enhancements was evident within a month of its opening. The proposed enhancements include additional parking, an expanded course for both skaters and skateboarders of various levels, improved security and signage, bleachers, a concession stand, water fountain, new restrooms and a small office/storage building.

The City Council approved by Resolution the Department's participation with the new Baseball Academy at Hansen Dam on May 8, 2001; approval from the Corps came in July. The Academy will be developed jointly with Major League Baseball's non-profit Urban Youth Foundation, which has pledged an initial \$3 million for the project and will maintain the Academy at their expense. The Academy is expected to become a showcase urban project to be replicated elsewhere. In addition to four playing fields with associated amenities, the Academy will include a clubhouse with physical-training equipment, a library, classrooms and a multi-purpose room.

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The Foundation seeks to engage at-risk youths in the self-discipline and teamwork associated with baseball and also to provide an introduction to related business careers.

The Superintendent of Valley Region, the Superintendent of Planning and Construction and the Director of Grants Administration concur with staff's recommendations. This report was prepared by Joan Reitzel, Senior Management Analyst in the Real Estate and Asset Management Division.

RESOLUTION NO. _____

WHEREAS the Department of Recreation and Parks has long-term leases with the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers, owner of the sites of both the Sepulveda Dam and Hansen Dam Recreation Areas, with the leases due to expire in 2016 and 2019, respectively; and

WHEREAS the Board of Recreation and Park Commissioners has previously approved the Department's applying for a grant to enhance the Pedlow Fields Skate Park at Sepulveda Dam and for another grant to construct, jointly with Major League Baseball, the country's first National Youth Baseball Academy at Hansen Dam; and,

WHEREAS there is concern that the term remaining on the leases will not fully meet site-control requirements of the grant-funding sources; and,

WHEREAS the Corps of Engineers has given conceptual approval to the aforementioned projects and has sent correspondence indicating a willingness to extend the two leases by twenty-five years;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Recreation and Park Commissioners of the City of Los Angeles that the two proposed lease extensions be approved with the understanding that said extensions are subject to possible future amendments.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board Secretary is authorized to transmit the two lease extensions to the Mayor and City Attorney for approval.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted by the Board of Recreation and Park Commissioners of the City of Los Angeles at its meeting held on February 20, 2002.

MARY E. ALVAREZ, Secretary

Resolution No. _____

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NO. 02-85

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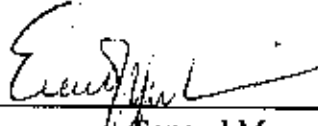
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A. Corrales _____
J. Duggan JD
J. Kolb _____

H. Fujita _____
M. Tamuri MPT
M. Matthews _____

SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION AND PARKS AND THE BUREAU OF STREET SERVICES TO CONSTRUCT ROADWAY IMPROVEMENTS AT HANSEN DAM AREA DRONFIELD ENTRANCE (#1165A)



General Manager

Approved _____

Disapproved _____

Withdrawn _____

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Board:

1. Accept final plans and specifications;
2. Approve a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Department of Recreation and Parks and the Bureau of Street Services, to provide construction services at the Hansen Dam Area Dronfield Entrance (#1165A); and
3. Authorize the Director of Finance to reimburse the General Fund from Los Angeles County Proposition A funds for an appropriation needed to begin the project.

SUMMARY:

The Planning and Construction Division has had plans prepared for street improvements at Hansen Dam in the vicinity of Osborne Avenue and Dronfield Street. The westerly portion of Hansen Dam Recreation Center is in the process of receiving many new improvements, the recreation and swim lake, a new boundless playground, and the Children's Museum. The street improvements are necessary to accommodate the increase in traffic and provide adequate parking. The plans call for: widening the entry road at Dronfield Street; providing new paving and curbs on old Kagel Canyon Boulevard within the park; constructing a new parking lot at the northerly terminus of Kagel Canyon Boulevard; and repaving other parking areas.

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The street improvements detailed in the plans are particularly suited to construction by the Bureau of Street Services. Each improvement area is a distinct improvement, with most of the improvements outside the public right-of-way. Recreation and Parks and the Bureau of Street Services have negotiated a Memorandum of Understanding to govern the construction of these improvements.

The original funding for the Hansen Dam Area Dronfield Entrance (#1165A) project was from Proposition A. With the assistance of the Council Office, the Department also received funding from the Federal Government under the Bestea program. There are sufficient funds in Proposition A, (\$1,380,000.00) and Bestea (\$750,000.00), to construct this project. Since both funding sources are reimbursable, the Council Office has agreed to seek a reimbursable appropriation from the City's General Fund to advance the funds to the Bureau of Street Services.

Recreation and Parks will assemble and submit the invoices to seek reimbursement of the General Fund appropriation from Los Angeles County Proposition A funds.

The term of the MOU is for three years, but both parties feel the improvements can be accomplished in six to eight months. The Proposition A funding requires the use of youth in the construction process. The Bureau of Street Services has determined that \$50,000.00 of their work will be designated for the hiring of youth workers. A copy of the of the MOU is attached for reference.

Staff has determined that this project is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article VII, Section 1, Classes 1 (3, 13, 20, 26), 3 (12), 5 (3) and 11 (2) of the City's CEQA Guidelines.

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