

REPORT OF GENERAL MANAGER

NO. 04-320

DATE October 20, 2004

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BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

SUBJECT: VENICE BEACH – APPROVAL OF AN EASEMENT TO THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT

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 General Manager

Approved _____ Disapproved _____ Withdrawn _____

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board:

1. Adopt the Resolution, on file in the Board Office, that approves granting the Los Angeles County Flood Control District an easement for access and the continued operation and maintenance of covered storm drain and ocean outlet improvements in the vicinity of Ocean Front Walk in the Venice area of the City of Los Angeles; and,
2. Direct Staff to assist the Office of the City Attorney in processing the documents needed to obtain Council approval of said easement and when approved, authorize the Board President and Secretary to execute the easement.

SUMMARY:

The Los Angeles County Flood Control District has completed certain stormwater drainage repairs west of Ocean Front Walk. One portion extends under the end of Brooks Street while the other, six blocks south, extends under Market Street; from there the underground structures pass into the ocean tidewaters. Part of the project lies under state-owned property, for which the District will request a separate easement. The entire project area is north of Venice Boulevard and near the site of the Venice Pavilion and the Recreation Center.

The work, which was bond funded, was issued Right-of-Entry Permit no. 474 on May 18, 1999, and was known as the District's "Project No. 507 - Electric Avenue". Personnel from the City Bureau of Engineering were also involved. The District had been maintaining the subsurface structures for the City under a "30-year life-of-structure" permit that expired in the mid-1990s; therefore, the proposed

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work at Venice Beach was part of a replacement schedule. Since the work has been completed for some time, the District seeks an easement so that their personnel may continue in perpetuity to operate, maintain and repair the structures.

The Assistant General Manager and the Superintendent of Operations West concur with staff's recommendations.

The Report was prepared by Joan Reitzel, Senior Management Analyst, Real Estate and Asset Management.