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DATE March 1, 2006

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SUBJECT: BROADWAY PARK (W.O.#E1904755) – APPROVAL OF FINAL PLANS AND CALL FOR BIDS

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Approved		_ Disapproved		Withdrawn

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board:

- 1. Approve the final plans and specifications for the Broadway Park (W.O. #E1904755) project;
- 2. Approve the date to be advertised for receipt of bids as Tuesday, April 25, 2006, at 3:00 P.M. in the Board Office; and,
- 3. Approve the reduction in the value of work that the specifications require to be performed by the Prime Contractor from 50% to 20% of the Base Bid price.

SUMMARY:

Submitted are the final plans and specifications for the Broadway Park (W.O. #E1904755) project, located at 5207 South Broadway, Los Angeles, CA 90011, as prepared by the design consultant, Cornerstone Studios, Inc.

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The Broadway Park is one of the three pocket park projects that are funded by the Anna H. Bing Living Trust (Trust). A Master Account Agreement between the Trust and the City of Los Angeles is in place to implement the bequest in the amount of \$4,000,000.00 for the acquisition and development of new parks and playgrounds for children living in under-served areas. A total of \$1,000,000.00 is allocated for the Broadway Park project to cover the costs of site acquisition, design and construction. A total of \$382,977.14 has been spent on site acquisition cost.

The plans call for the construction of a new pocket park, approximately 6,500 square-feet in size, to provide the following features and amenities:

- 1. Play structure, small shade structure, and landscaping.
- 2. Metal security gates and fences, and security lighting.
- 3. Benches, picnic tables, drinking fountain, and small gardening plots.

The design has been approved by the community through a series of design workshops and meetings hosted by the Los Angeles Neighborhood Land Trust (LANLT).

The policy of this Board has been to require that the Prime Contractor perform a minimum of 50% of the Base Bid price. Staff believes that, given the relatively small size of the project and the specific types of trades required to complete the construction, reducing the Prime Contractor participation requirement from 50% to 20% will help create more competitive pricing among the subcontractors providing bids to the Prime Contractors. This will also attract a broader range of Prime Contractors, thus, creating a more inviting and competitive bidding environment for this project.

The estimate for the construction cost of this project is \$400,000.00. Funds are available from the Anna H. Bing Living Trust/City of Los Angeles Escrow Account (Master Account).

In accordance with the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), a Mitigated Negative Declaration that included both the acquisition and development elements of the project was adopted by the City Council on August 16, 2005. A Notice of Determination was filed with the Los Angeles City and County Clerks on August 23, 2005.

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

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

There is no anticipated fiscal impact to the Department's budget. Funds provided by the Trust will cover all the costs of the development of the pocket park. The LANLT has entered into an agreement

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with the Los Angeles Conservation Corps, which provides that LACC will provide maintenance of the pocket park at no cost to the City for 99 years.

This report was prepared by Paul Tseng, Project Manager, Bureau of Engineering, Architectural Division. Reviewed by Neil Drucker, Program Manager, and, by Bradley E. Smith, Chief Deputy City Engineer, Bureau of Engineering.