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REPORT OF GENERAL MANAGER

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**BOARD OF RECREATION
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SUBJECT: SEPULVEDA BASIN RECREATION AREA - BULL CREEK CHANNEL ECOSYSTEM RESTORATION PROJECT - AUTHORIZATION TO PROCESS PAYMENTS TO THE ESCROW COMPANY TO PAY THE ESCROW FEES

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RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the Board:

1. Adopt the proposed Resolution, substantially in the form on file in the Board Office, authorizing staff to process all necessary payments to the escrow company for its services in handling the escrow account into which the County placed the Proposition A funds to fund up to \$1,600,000 of the City's share of the project costs; and
2. Authorize the Department Chief Accounting Employee to encumber funds, not to exceed \$400,000 from Fund 205/Dept. 89/Account CH01 for payment of escrow fees and other project costs to be reimbursed upon receipt of Proposition A funds from the County.

SUMMARY:

On May 16, 2007, the Board of Recreation and Park Commissioners approved the proposed Bull Creek Channel Ecosystem Restoration Project, including the Joint Environmental Assessment/Mitigated Negative Declaration and the Project Cooperation Agreement with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) (Report No. 07-110). In that report, \$2,000,000 was authorized to fund the City's share of the jointly funded project. The report also authorized the deposit of \$1,600,000 into an escrow account from which the Corps can withdraw funds as deemed necessary for the City's share of project costs pursuant to the terms of the Project Cooperation Agreement. Language authorizing the Department staff to process payments to the

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escrow company for the escrow fees was inadvertently left out of the recommendations. This recommendation is necessary to make payments to the escrow company, Union Bank of California, Corporate Trust Division, for the costs of administering the escrow. Total escrow fees are not anticipated to exceed a few thousand dollars.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact to the General Fund as necessary funding for the completion of the project, including administrative fees paid to the escrow company, is coming from the Corps' Civil Works Program Fund and Proposition A funding administered by the County.

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