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BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

SUBJECT:

WILMINGTON RECREATION CENTER - AGREEMENT WITH HARBOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION FOR THE OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF THE WILMINGTON TEEN CENTER TO PROVIDE YOUTH PROGRAMS

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RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the Board:

- 1. Approve a proposed three-year Agreement ("Agreement"), substantially in the form on file in the Board Office, between the City of Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks ("Department") and Harbor Community Development Corporation, a California 501(c)(3) non-profit corporation, for the operation and maintenance of the Wilmington Teen Center, subject to the approval of the Mayor and the City Attorney as to form;
- 2. Direct the Board Secretary to transmit the proposed Agreement, to the Mayor in accordance with Executive Directive No. 3, and concurrently to the City Attorney for review as to form;
- 3. Authorize the Board President and Secretary to execute the Agreement upon receipt of the necessary approvals; and,
- 4. Direct the Department's Chief Accounting Employee to deposit utility and other cost recovery reimbursements received from the Harbor Community Development Corporation in appropriate accounts established for such purpose.

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SUMMARY:

The Harbor Community Development Corporation ("Organization") is a private, non-profit community based organization which was incorporated in March of 1977. The primary function and purpose of Organization is to provide meaningful human services and community development programs in the Los Angeles area, particularly the Harbor area.

Organization has operated the Wilmington Teen Center ("Teen Center") at 612 West E Street, Wilmington, since 1983. The building the Teen Center is housed is on park property, on the northern end of the grounds of Wilmington Recreation Center.

Organization has demonstrated its ability to respond to some of the Harbor community's social and recreational activity needs during its long involvement and historical presence in the area. Their Teen Center provides assistance and guidance to youth, to provide healthy and positive alternatives with their education, social and health problems, such as how to make healthy lifestyle choices and promotion of activities that prevent obesity. Program elements have included tutoring, computer lab, teen council, boxing and weightlifting, dance classes, and field trips.

Organization desires to continue its collaborative relationship with Department to improve the lives of youth in the Harbor area. Should the proposed Agreement be approved, Organization will continue providing its youth programs at the Teen Center focusing on physical activities, tutoring, obesity prevention, gang prevention and diversion, and community beautification.

Staff and Organization have mutually agreed to the terms and conditions of the proposed three (3) year Agreement for Organization's continued use and maintenance of the Teen Center to provide youth programs. As part of the proposed Agreement, Organization will be responsible, at its sole cost and expense, for all maintenance and repair costs related to the use and operation of the building and payment of appropriate cost recovery fees to Department. The proposed Agreement incorporates standard provisions, including indemnification provisions, a termination clause and a requirement for the annual evaluation of the program during the term of the Agreement.

Staff has determined that the subject project will consist of issuance of an agreement to use an existing structure or facility involving negligible or no expansion of use, and therefore, is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article III, Section 1, Class 1 (14) of the City CEQA Guidelines. No projects that would have a physical effect on the environment are proposed at this time in connection with the agreement. Additional CEQA evaluations will be performed when specific projects are initiated under the terms of any new agreement.

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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

The Board's approval of the proposed Agreement will not have any impact on the Department's General Fund as all costs associated with the operation and maintenance of the Teen Center will be paid for by Organization during the term of the Agreement.

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