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SUBJECT: PALMS RECREATION CENTER - NAMING OF THE RECREATION CENTER AND THE INSTALLATION OF APPROPRIATE SIGNAGE

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## RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board grant approval for the naming of the recreation center at Palms Recreation Center as the Rosalind "Roz" Wyman Recreation Center and approve the installation of appropriate signage.

## **SUMMARY**:

Palms Recreation Center is located at 2950 Overland Avenue within the West Los Angeles community. This is a 4.81 acre facility, which includes an auditorium, barbeque pits, basketball courts, a children's play area, and offers youth camps amongst a variety of programming.

The Department has received a request from Council District 5 to name the recreation center area at Palms Recreation Center after Rosalind "Roz" Wyman. Roz Wyman has the unique status of being the youngest woman ever elected, at the age of 22, to the City Council of the City of Los Angeles. On July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2013, it will be exactly 60 years since her historic election to public office. Ms. Wyman was only the second female to be elected to City Council in the City of Los Angeles. Ms Wyman was also instrumental in securing the financing for the acquisition and development of Palms Recreation Center.

Roz Wyman was the major force behind the development and completion of Palms Recreation Center, including identifying and advocating for parkland dollars to purchase the land, overseeing the groundbreaking and construction of the park and recreation facility and adjacent library (Palm-Rancho Park), and responsible for the generous donations made in her honor for the naming of the Palms Recreation Center and for the work to be done by the Department.

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Additionally, Council District 5 has requested that the Recreation Center be named the Rosalind "Roz" Wyman Recreation Center.

Department staff has reviewed this proposal and found no objections.

Council District 5 and West Region management are in support with the recommendations as set forth by the Department.

## FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

The project would not have a fiscal impact to the Department as the sign and the installation will be paid through the donation to the LA Parks Foundation.

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