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REPORT OF GENERAL MANAGER

NO. 13-313

DATE December 11, 2013

**BOARD OF RECREATION
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SUBJECT: 2013 HOUSING-RELATED PARKS PROGRAM – AUTHORIZATION TO SUBMIT GRANT APPLICATION; CITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION

R. Adams _____

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K. Regan _____

M. Shull _____

N. Williams _____



General Manager

Approved _____

Disapproved _____

Withdrawn _____

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the Board:

1. Authorize the Department of Recreation and Parks (RAP) to submit a 2013 Housing-Related Parks (HRP) Program grant application to the California Department of Housing and Community Development (CDHCD) to fund the acquisition, development, rehabilitation and/or improvements of various RAP's parks and recreation facilities, subject to the approval of the Mayor and City Council;
2. Recommend that the City Council adopt the attached Resolution (Attachment No. 1), which authorizes the City of Los Angeles to apply for 2013 HRP Program grant funds and designates RAP's General Manager, Executive Officer, or Assistant General Manager, as the agent to conduct all negotiations, execute and submit all documents, including, but not limited to grant applications, agreements, amendments, payment requests, and so on, which may be necessary for the completion of the proposed project(s);
3. Direct staff to transmit a copy of the grant Resolution to the Mayor, Office of the City Administrative Officer (CAO), Office of the Chief Legislative Analyst (CLA), and to the City Clerk for committee and City Council approval, pursuant to the Los Angeles Administrative Code Section 14.6 *et seq.* as may be amended;
4. Direct staff to transmit a copy of the grant award to the Mayor, Office of the City Administrative Officer (CAO), Office of the Chief Legislative Analyst (CLA), and to the City Clerk for committee and City Council approval before accepting and receiving the grant award, pursuant to the Los Angeles Administrative Code Section 14.6 *et seq.* as may be amended;

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5. Authorize RAP's General Manager to accept and receive the 2013 HRP Program grant award, if awarded, subject to the approval of the Mayor and City Council; and,
6. Authorize RAP's Chief Accounting Employee to establish the necessary account and/or to appropriate funding received within "Recreation and Parks Grant" Fund 205 to accept the 2013 HRP Program grant funds, if awarded, from CDHCD.

SUMMARY:

In October 2013, the California Department of Housing and Community Development (CDHCD) released the 2013 Designated Program Year Housing-Related Parks (HRP) Program Notice of Funding Availability. The grant application is due by January 22, 2014.

The HRP Program, funded through the passage of Proposition 1C, is designed to reward local governments for developing new residential housing affordable to low-income households and has \$25 million available for the 2013 Program Year. The HRP Program funds may be used for the creation or rehabilitation of park and recreation facilities, including, but not limited to, the acquisition of land, sport play fields, play areas, non-motorized recreational trails, play structures, outdoor recreation, and landscaping.

In the 2010 and 2011 HRP Program grant cycles, the Department of Recreation and Parks (RAP) partnered with the Los Angeles Housing and Community Investment Department to apply for \$1,594,850.00 and \$1,891,300.00, respectively, in HRP Program funding on behalf of the City of Los Angeles (City). As a result, the City received the awards to develop eight (8) capital park projects as part of the 50 Parks Initiative (CF No. 11-1378). The 2013 HRP Program grant funds, if awarded, will be used to fund various eligible park projects as determined by RAP's Planning, Construction and Maintenance Branch in collaboration with the concerned Council Offices.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

The submission of this grant application has no fiscal impact on RAP's General Fund.

This report was prepared by Isophine Atkinson, Senior Management Analyst, Grants Administration.

**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES
AUTHORIZING APPLICATION FOR HOUSING RELATED PARKS GRANT**

WHEREAS, the State of California, Department of Housing and Community Development (Department) has issued a Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA), dated October 2, 2013, under its Housing-Related Parks (HRP) Program;

WHEREAS, the City of Los Angeles (Applicant) desires to apply for a HRP Program grant and submit the 2013 Designated Program Year Application Package released by the Department for the HRP Program; and

WHEREAS, the Department is authorized to approve funding allocations for the HRP Program, subject to the terms and conditions of the NOFA, Program Guidelines, Application Package, and Standard Agreement;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES HEREBY:

1. Applicant is hereby authorized and directed to apply for and submit to the Department the HRP Program Application Package released October 2013 for the 2013 Designated Program Year. If the application is approved, the Applicant is hereby authorized and directed to enter into, execute, and deliver a State of California Standard Agreement (Standard Agreement), and any and all other documents required or deemed necessary or appropriate to secure the HRP Program Grant from the Department, and all amendments thereto (collectively, the "HRP Grant Documents").
2. Applicant shall be subject to the terms and conditions as specified in the Standard Agreement. Funds are to be used for allowable capital asset project expenditures to be identified in Exhibit A of the Standard Agreement. The application in full is incorporated as part of the Standard Agreement. Any and all activities funded, information provided, and timelines represented in the application are enforceable through the Standard Agreement. Applicant hereby agrees to use the funds for eligible capital asset(s) in the manner presented in the application as approved by the Department and in accordance with the NOFA and Program Guidelines and Application Package.
3. That the City of Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks' General Manager, Executive Officer, and Assistant General Manager are authorized to execute in the name of Applicant the HRP Program Application Package and the HRP Grant Documents as required by the Department for participation in the HRP Program.

I, the undersigned, hereby certify that the forgoing Resolution was duly adopted by the City Council of the City of Los Angeles at its meeting of _____.

HOLLY L. WOLCOTT, Interim City Clerk

By: _____