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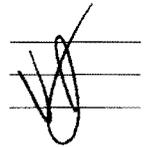
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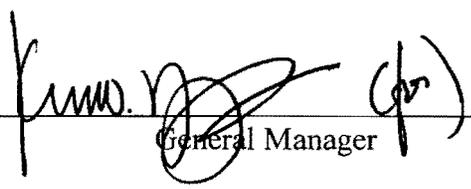
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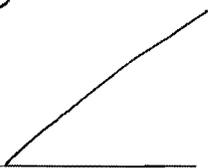
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BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

SUBJECT: CHEVIOT HILLS RECREATION CENTER ARCHERY RANGE – AGREEMENT WITH THE LOS ANGELES PARKS FOUNDATION TO ACCEPT A GIFT OF IMPROVEMENTS FUNDED BY THE EASTON SPORTS DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION; NAMING OF ARCHERY RANGE AND INSTALLATION OF APPROPRIATE SIGNAGE

R. Adams		K. Regan	_____
H. Fujita	_____	M. Shull	_____
*V. Israel	_____	N. Williams	_____


General Manager

Approved 

Disapproved _____

Withdrawn _____

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the Board:

1. Accept a gift of improvements from the Los Angeles Parks Foundation (LAPF) funded by a donation from the Easton Sports Development Foundation (Easton), consisting of the remodeling and expansion of the Cheviot Hills Recreation Center Archery Range (Range), valued at approximately \$1,000,000.00, as described more fully in the Summary below, and that appropriate recognition be provided to LAPF and Easton;
2. Approve a proposed Agreement between the City of Los Angeles and LAPF for the Improvements, substantially in the form on file in the Board Office, subject to approval of the Mayor and the City Council, and the City Attorney as to form;
3. Approve the proposed naming of the Range as the "Easton Rancho Park Archery Range" for the life of the improvements as described more fully in the Summary below, and that standard RAP signs be erected accordingly within the Range and at the Range entrance;
4. 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 and approval as to form; and,

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5. Authorize the Board President and Secretary to execute the Agreement subsequent to all necessary approvals.

SUMMARY:

The archery range at the Cheviot Hills Recreation Center (Center) is in a state of disrepair and has become exceedingly inadequate for the volume of archery enthusiasts and permitted groups that utilize the Range. The Range is located within the Cheviot Hills Recreation Center at 2551 S. Motor Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90064, behind the recreation facilities complex.

The Los Angeles Parks Foundation (LAPF), through a donation from the Easton Sports Development Foundation (Easton), has agreed to fund the Improvements at the Range valued at approximately \$1,000,000.00, at no cost to the City. The Improvements, which have been reviewed and approved by RAP's Planning, Construction, and Maintenance Branch, will consist of three (3) new ranges and a new courtyard and entry (Phase 1), and a remodel of the existing range (Phase 2).

Phase 1 will provide:

- A new eighteen (18) meter range for archers who have advanced from the beginner level to intermediate and for general shooting.
- A new thirty (30) meter range for general shooting that will also integrate some specific design features that will accommodate the majority of outside permitted groups, such as shaded bleachers.
- A new fifty (50) meter range for advanced archers. Each of these new ranges will have a shade pavilion roof feature. The new courtyard and entry will have a roofed storage building for equipment.

Phase 2 will be a remodel of the existing range including a shade roof over both the shooting area and the bleachers and a roofed storage building for equipment. A portion of the existing range will remain open to the public and user groups while Phase 1 construction is in progress.

These Improvements are part of a nationwide Easton charitable program to develop and support archery programs that introduce target and/or other forms of archery to all people including youth, seniors, and disabled archers. The goal of the expansion is to increase the participation of youth to develop the pool of Olympic-level competitors and improve the performance level of local collegiate and Olympic-level archers. LAPF, through a generous donation from Easton, has agreed to oversee the construction of the Improvements as it has done many times in its history to benefit RAP patrons. LAPF will coordinate the construction of the Improvements through the Robert M. Pagan Construction Company, which will be authorized to access the Range and/or project area, including any necessary portions of the Center through the issuance of a Right-of-Entry (ROE) Permit by RAP. The term of the agreement is three (3) years.

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Pursuant to the terms and conditions of the proposed Agreement, upon completion of the Improvements, RAP's Planning Construction and Maintenance Branch will conduct a Post-Development Inspection to ensure that the work performed is in compliance with the City's standards and in accordance with the proposed Agreement. In exchange for this most generous Gift, LAPF and Easton have proposed that the Range be named the "Easton Rancho Park Archery Range".

In addition for the Board's awareness, the Partnership Division is presently in discussions with LAPF and Easton regarding a separate proposed agreement for the future operations and maintenance of the Range. Easton has proposed to operate and maintain the Range at no cost to the City, while paying RAP applicable Cost Recovery Reimbursement Fees to cover costs incurred by RAP related to Easton's operation and maintenance of the Range. This proposed future agreement with Easton will be presented for consideration by the Board separately.

The new Range at the Cheviot Hills Recreation Center will rival the best, most attractive city archery ranges in the world.

Staff and LAPF have discussed the proposed project with the Superintendent of the Valley Region and the Office of the Fifth Council District (CD 5), and each supports the proposed project and concurs with staff's recommendations.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT

Staff has determined that the subject project will consist of a Right-of-Entry (ROE) permit to construct a new archery range that is less than fifteen thousand (15,000) square feet of new usable floor space, a restroom, and other features that are accessory to a park. Therefore, the project is exempt without exception from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article III, Section 1, Class 3(17), Class 4(1), and Class 11(3) of the City CEQA Guidelines.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

These Improvements are a gift of material and services valued at approximately one million dollars (\$1,000,000.00), for work which RAP is not budgeted to perform and, therefore, contributes beneficially to the City. There will be unknown but probably negligible costs associated with monitoring of the work.

This report was prepared by Joel Alvarez, Senior Management Analyst and Robert De Hart, Senior Recreation Director II, Partnership Division.