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# **RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Board accepts a donation from The Los Angeles Dodgers Foundation, Inc. (LADF) consisting of baseball field improvements installed at Algin Sutton Recreation Center, with an estimated value of up to approximately ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00), and that the donor is recognized for their generosity.

### **SUMMARY:**

LADF has been a long-time supporter of the Department of Recreation and Parks (RAP) through capital funding provided for facility improvements as well as monetary and in-kind contributions to support RAP's recreation programs. LADF, in collaboration with other organizations, has successfully constructed twenty-three (23) Dodger Dreamfields at various RAP sites. On June 11, 2014, the Board approved a gift agreement (Report No. 14-152) for the conversion of an existing baseball field at Leland Park, into RAP's twenty-forth Dreamfield, which is due to be completed by August 2014.

In preparation for a regional baseball event held July 17 through July 20, 2014, at the existing Dodgers Dreamfield at Algin Sutton Recreation Center, located at 8800 S. Hoover Street, LADF installed new baseball field improvements, as the field was in need of minor field improvements.

The improvements consist of the replacement of infield sod, laser levelling the infield, removing and replacing field fixtures, soil preparation, installing new infield mix, repairing the sprinkler system, pulverizing and tilling outfield soil, and laser levelling the outfield. The value of the field improvements is estimated up to approximately ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00). LADF contracted directly with Landmark Sports, Inc. (Landmark) to perform the improvements. Landmark has been contracted by LADF in the past to complete the prior Dodger Dreamfield

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projects. Considering the relatively minor scope and value of the Algin Sutton improvements, as well as the timing requirements, in comparison to prior Dreamfield projects, LADF chose to donate said improvements to the City without any need of a gift agreement.

The Algin Sutton baseball field improvement project was co-managed by Landmark and RAP's Planning, Construction, and Maintenance Branch (PCM). Landmark was issued a Right Of Entry Permit authorizing their access to the project site for the installation of the field improvements.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT:**

Staff has determined that this project involves the improvement of existing facilities and the installation of accessory structures at an established public park. Therefore, the project is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article III, Section 1a, Class 1, Category 14 and Section 1k, Class 11, Category(s) 3 and 6 of the City CEQA Guidelines.

The Assistant General Manager of the Operations Branch and the Superintendent of the Pacific Region are aware of the project, and each supports the project and concurs with staff's recommendations pursuant to PCM's approval of the project plans and specifications.

# FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

This project will not have any fiscal impact on RAP's General Fund as the cost of the field improvements has been funded and installed entirely through monetary contributions provided by LADF, through direct payments to Landmark. Future maintenance of the improved field will be addressed through RAP's normal budgeting process as this is an existing facility with an existing annual maintenance budget.

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