



Memorandum

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND
CITY COUNCIL

FROM: Sara L. Hensley
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SUBJECT: SEE BELOW

DATE: 03-17-04

Approved

Date

Council District: 2

SNI Area: N/A

SUBJECT: ADOPTION OF APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE AMENDMENTS IN THE COUNCIL DISTRICT 2 CONSTRUCTION AND CONVEYANCE TAX FUND FOR THE AVENIDA ESPANA PARK PROJECT

RECOMMENDATION

Adoption of the following Appropriation Ordinance amendments in the Council District 2 Construction and Conveyance Tax Fund:

- a. Establish the Avenida Espana Park Project for \$30,000 to the Parks, Recreation and Neighborhood Services Department; and
- b. Decrease the Ending Fund Balance by \$30,000.

BACKGROUND

On January 27, 2004, the City Council approved Resolutions 71943 and 71944, in support of an application for local assistance grant funds of up to \$8,088,000 from the Roberti-Z' Berg-Harris Urban Open Space and Per Capita Recreation Grant Programs under the 2002 Resources Bond Act (Proposition 40) as administered by the State of California - Department of Parks and Recreation. One project identified in the City's application was development of Avenida Espana Park, a one-acre undeveloped park at the intersection of Downs Drive and Rawls Place, in Council District 2. The City Council approved a \$300,000 allocation from the Proposition 40 monies for this park project.

The project includes a new play area, concrete walkway and minor planting and irrigation. This memo requests an appropriation action of \$30,000 from the Council District 2 Ending Fund Balance to fund completion of design and construction documentation activities in order to

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accelerate project delivery next fiscal year. As the Proposition 40 application for this project is completed, a separate Council action will be brought forth appropriating the remaining funding (\$270,000) and all the revenue associated with this project (\$300,000). The \$30,000 from the Council District 2 Construction & Conveyance Fund will be reimbursed by the Proposition 40 Funds.

ANALYSIS

The Departments of Public Works and Parks, Recreation and Neighborhood Services staff are now ready to proceed with the above noted activities for the Avenida Espana Park Project, pending the appropriation of funds requested. The recommended action would allocate funds based on the City's commitment to proceed directly into the project and complete final design-related activities before the grant funding is appropriated in the 2004-2005 budget to complete construction of the project. The project is scheduled to become operational in May 2005. Additional operating costs for the proposed project are not significant and will be accomplished with existing staff.

PUBLIC OUTREACH

Community meetings for the project were held in March, June and October 2003, and in January 2004.

COORDINATION

This item has been coordinated with the Office of the City Attorney, the Department of Public Works, and the Council District 2 Office.

CEQA

Not a Project.

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