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Report Type: Consent

**Title: Agreement: Proposition 84 Statewide Park Act Round Two Application
Recommendations**

Report ID: 2011-00324

Continued from 4-5-11

Location: Citywide

Recommendation: Adopt a Resolution: 1) authorizing the City Manager or his designee to submit applications to the State of California, California State Parks Department, for Statewide Park Act Competitive grants for amounts not to exceed \$5,000,000 in any single application for Luther Burbank Regional Sports Complex, Park Site FB2 (formerly Manor Recreation and Swim Club), McClatchy Park, Powerhouse Science Center, and Township 9 Riverfront Park.

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Division: Fiscal And Management Services

Dept ID: 19001011

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Description/Analysis

Issue: California State Parks is administering competitive grant programs funded through Proposition 84, the 2006 Safe Drinking Water Bond Act. There are no per capita funds in this program. Currently in its second round of funding, the *Statewide Park Development and Community Revitalization Program of 2008* will award \$368,000,000 in a minimum of two competitive rounds to higher density, critically underserved communities throughout the state. The focus of this grant program is to fund the acquisition and development of new parkland and recreation opportunities in higher density, underserved and low income areas lacking in parkland with a one half mile radius. The grant application deadline is July 1, 2011, with a single maximum grant request limit of \$5,000,000. Five grant applications are proposed to be submitted for the Luther Burbank Regional Sports Complex, Park Site FB2 (formerly Manor Recreation and Swim Club), McClatchy Community Park, Powerhouse Science Center, and Township 9 Riverfront Park. A summary of these proposed projects is provided in the Background section.

Policy Considerations: Recommendations are consistent with the City's approved strategic plan to achieve sustainability and livability, the Council adopted *Park and Recreation Safety Implementation Plan*, and the *2005-2010 Parks and Recreation Master Plan*, and the *2008 Parks and Recreation Programming Guide*.

Environmental Considerations: California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA): This report recommends the submittal of a grant application; therefore, it concerns administrative activities that will not have any significant effect on the environment and that do not constitute a "project," as defined by the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) [CEQA Guidelines Sections 15061(b)(3); 15378(b)(2)].

Sustainability: The proposed applications are consistent with the goals, policies and targets of the *City Sustainability Master Plan* and the *Parks and Recreation Sustainability Plan 2008-2015*.

Commission/Committee Action: The Parks and Recreation Commission has reviewed all projects to date with the exception of the formerly privately owned Park Site FB2 (formerly Manor Recreation and Swim Club), the acquisition of which was approved by City Council on October 29, 2009 for use as a City park in an underserved area. As this grant program requires extensive public input by way of project specific, neighborhood-based meetings, with Council support, staff will have an opportunity to conduct meetings by the end of May.

The Park and Recreation Commission reviewed projects as follows: supported the Luther Burbank High School Joint Use Sports Complex Plan on September 4, 2008, supported the updated McClatchy Community Park Master Plan on January 8, 2009, supported the amendment to the Robert Matsui Waterfront Park to include development of the Powerhouse Science Center on April 1, 2010, and the master plan for Township 9 parks, including a riverfront park on July 1, 2010.

The McClatchy Community Park Master Plan and proposed partial funding was also supported by the Oak Park Redevelopment Advisory Committee on December 10, 2008, and the Sacramento Housing and Redevelopment Commission on January 7, 2009.

Rationale for Recommendation: Staff has reviewed a number of project ideas including those submitted by the community. The recommended projects:

- 1) fit the grant program criteria;
- 2) are consistent with the high per-grant award amount offered in this program;
- 3) are significant new park and recreation opportunities that will stimulate economic development;
- 4) with the exception of Park Site FB2 (formerly Manor Recreation and Swim Club) have been planned through community meetings and are “grant ready” with master plans, defined scopes and project budgets. (With Council support of a capital grant application, staff will proceed with these requirements for Park Site FB2.)

Financial Considerations: With the City Council’s support, the City will submit five individual grant applications of up to \$5,000,000 to California State Parks Department. If the grant is awarded, staff will return to Council for approval to accept the grant and establish a capital improvement project.

Emerging Small Business Development (ESBD): Not applicable at this time as no goods or services are being procured with this item.



BACKGROUND

On November 7, 2006, California voters passed Proposition 84, the \$5.4 billion “Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality and Supply, Flood Control, River and Coastal Protection Bond Act of 2006”.

The *Statewide Park Development and Community Revitalization Program of 2008* (AB31, Leon), is a program under Proposition 84. California State Parks is administering this competitive grant program. There are no per capita funding formulas. The grant program is focused on acquisition and development in the highest socioeconomic need and park deficient areas, with an emphasis on new parks and new recreation opportunities. Projects are to benefit families, youth, seniors and other population groups by meeting their recreational, cultural, social, educational and environmental needs. Two rounds totaling \$368,000,000 will be awarded to critically underserved communities throughout the state. The first round of funding in this grant program was released in 2009, the City of Sacramento applied for grants up to \$5 million for Luther Burbank Regional Sports Complex (LBRYSC) and McClatchy Park. Due to the competitiveness of the grant program, the city did not receive funding due to higher median household income and lower park acreage deficiency compared to other applicants. Staff will resubmit both the LBRYSC and McClatchy Park, in addition to proposals for Park Site FB2 (formerly Manor Recreation and Swim Club), Powerhouse Science Center, and Township 9 to be considered in the second round of this grant program.

To be eligible under this grant program, the community within approximately a half mile radius of the project site must either have a ratio of less than three acres of usable public park or open space per 1,000 residents, or the median household income from census tracts is lower than \$47,300 annually. The most competitive grant applications will: 1) create new park space, 2) have had at least five documented community meetings on the proposed project in the last three years, 3) use sustainable techniques (efficient use of water and energy), 4) be open to the public on a daily basis, 5) provide for employment or outdoor volunteer opportunities, 6) significantly improve the community's quality of life, and 7) be sufficiently administered, maintained and operated.

The grant application deadline is July 1, 2011, with a single maximum grant request of \$5,000,000. Grant awards should be announced in winter 2011-2012.

Following is additional information on the recommended projects:

Luther Burbank Regional Sport Complex – Grant request up to \$5 million

This project is a joint-use partnership between the City of Sacramento and the Sacramento City Unified School District with a modern sports and recreational facility for neighborhood use, school competitions, and regional sports events. When fully built out, the complex will feature a football stadium with a synthetic turf field that is bordered

by a track, three synthetic turf soccer fields, two synthetic turf softball fields, two synthetic turf baseball fields, and six tennis courts, all of which will have lighting. In addition, the complex will have spectator seating, restrooms, community areas with shading and picnic tables, and a new parking lot that will provide convenient access to the entire complex. With Council support, City staff will work with District staff to plan and define a phase to fit the maximum request allowed in the grant program.

McClatchy Community Park Redevelopment – Grant request up to \$5 million

This community park is one of nine parks contained in the Council approved *Parks and Recreation Safety Implementation Plan* to implement capital improvements and operational enhancements to make the parks positive, clean, vibrant, and safe for park users. On December 9, 2008 the City Council approved a finance plan and recommendations for funding to renovate a first phase of improvements for McClatchy Park. On March 24, 2009, City Council approved an updated master plan and project funding to construct a restroom and concession building.

With Council support, staff will develop an application to develop a skate park, water feature, two tennis and basketball courts, group picnic areas, a stage and amphitheatre, a trail and fitness course, and pathway security lighting, and develop .22 acres of new parkland to be incorporated into the park.

Powerhouse Science Center at Robert T. Matsui Waterfront Park – Grant request up to \$3 million

The Powerhouse Science Center, a nonprofit partner of the City of Sacramento, proposes to develop the Powerhouse Science Center at Robert T. Matsui Waterfront Park on the Sacramento River. The application will focus on developing outdoor recreation amenities including picnic areas, exhibition areas, play areas, an outdoor amphitheatre, and interactive outdoor exhibits overlooking the river. The project will enhance the existing bike trail, and provide new park space in an area proposed for significant population growth in the Railyards and River Districts areas.

The Center will be a landmark attraction for the Sacramento region, teaching visitors the fundamentals of scientific principles while exploring the cutting edge of science in an engaging, interactive, hands-on setting. Once open, the Center will draw over 200,000 visitors annually, including 120,000 school children from Northern California. Over \$1,000,000 has been raised to date for the Center and park and recreation improvements.

Township 9 Riverfront Park – Grant request up to \$3 million

The Township 9 proposed project is the construction of the new Riverfront Park area along the American River at North 7th Street. Funds will be used to construct park improvements along the to-be-constructed Riverfront Drive and the entrance to the park at North 7th Street. Prior to the park development, the 5-acre Riverfront Park will be graded to allow gradually sloping access to the apex of the levee up along the vast frontage of what will be Riverfront Drive. The park will be developed with California-native trees and shrubs, picnic tables, enhanced bike trails, a restroom and shower facility, benches, and a central plaza that includes a tensile shade structure and water feature that will provide an interpretative exhibit of the American River Watershed. The new Riverfront Park is a key component of the Township 9 redevelopment project.

Park Site FB2 (formerly Manor Recreation and Swim Club) – Grant request up to \$1.5 million

With Council approval, the City of Sacramento Department of Parks and Recreation purchased the Manor Recreation and Swim Club site from its membership in late 2009. The pools, changing rooms and community center/snack bar were determined to be at the end of their useful life and were not salvageable. The buildings and pools have since been demolished and the site has been rough graded to prepare for its eventual development as a neighborhood park. Preparation of a park master plan is currently underway. At least two community meetings will be held, giving the surrounding community an opportunity to provide comments and feedback on the type of neighborhood park they would envision for the site.

A neighborhood park is intended to be used primarily by the people who live nearby, or within walking or bicycling distance of the park, typically a radius of one-half mile. Neighborhood park amenities are usually oriented toward the recreation needs of children. Park amenities may include: a tot lot, an adventure area, unlighted sport fields or sport courts, a group picnic area. Some neighborhood parks may also have specialized features like community gardens.

PROPOSITION 84 STATEWIDE PARK ACT PROPOSED GRANT APPLICATION SITES



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RESOLUTION NO. 2011-

Adopted by the Sacramento City Council

Approving Applications for Proposition 84 Park Development and Community Revitalization Grant Program – Round Two

BACKGROUND:

- A. The California State Department of Parks and Recreation administers competitive grant programs funded through Proposition 84, the 2006 Safe Drinking Water Bond Act.
- B. Two rounds for grant applications for the award of \$368,000,000 under the Statewide Park Development and Community Revitalization Program of 2008 will be made to critically underserved communities throughout the state. The City of Sacramento was not awarded funding in the first round. The application deadline for the second round is July 1, 2011.
- C. The purpose of the grant program is to create new parks and new recreation opportunities in proximity to underserved and low income communities.
- D. Grant applications for funding the Luther Burbank Regional Sports Complex, Park Site FB2 (formerly Manor Recreation and Swim Club), McClatchy Community Park, Powerhouse Science Center, and Township 9 Riverfront Park are proposed for submittal for round two.

BASED ON THE FACTS SET FORTH IN THE BACKGROUND, THE CITY COUNCIL RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

- Section 1. The City Manager or his designee is authorized to submit applications to the State of California, Department of Parks and Recreation for Statewide Park Act Competitive grants for amounts not to exceed \$5,000,000 in any single application for projects developing park and recreation amenities at the Luther Burbank Regional Sports Complex, Park Site FB2 (formerly Manor Recreation and Swim Club), McClatchy Community Park, Powerhouse Science Center, and Township 9 Riverfront Park.



Resolution No: 2011 -
Adopted by the Sacramento City Council

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SACRAMENTO

Approving the Application for STATEWIDE PARK PROGRAM GRANT FUNDS WHEREAS, the State Department of Parks and Recreation has been delegated the responsibility by the Legislature of the State of California for the administration of the Statewide Park Program, setting up necessary procedures governing the Application; and

WHEREAS, said procedures established by the State Department of Parks and Recreation require the applicant to certify by resolution the approval of application(s) before submission of said application(s) to the State; and

WHEREAS, the applicant will enter into a contract with the State of California to complete the grant scope project;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Sacramento City Council hereby: Approves the filing of applications for the Luther Burbank Regional Sports Complex, Park Site FB2 (formerly Manor Recreation and Swim Club), McClatchy Community Park, Powerhouse Science Center, and Township 9 Riverfront Park, and

1. Certifies that said applicant has or will have available, prior to commencement of any work on the project included in this application, the sufficient funds to complete the project; and
2. Certifies that the applicant has or will have sufficient funds to operate and maintain the project(s), and
3. Certifies that the applicant has reviewed, understands, and agrees to the General Provisions contained in the contract shown in the Grant Administration Guide; and
4. Delegates the authority to the City Manager and/or his/her designee to conduct all negotiations, sign and submit all documents, including, but not limited to applications, agreements, amendments, and payment requests, which may be necessary for the completion of the grant scope; and
5. Agrees to comply with all applicable federal, state and local laws, ordinances, rules, regulations and guidelines.

Approved and adopted the ____ day of April, 2011

I, the undersigned, hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution Number 2011 -
was duly adopted by the Sacramento City Council following a roll call vote:

Ayes:

Noes:

Absent: _____

City Clerk