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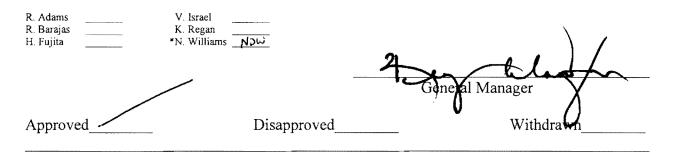
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BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

SUBJECT: SRO HOUSING CORPORATION - AUTHORITY TO ENCUMBER AND PAY FOR SERVICES RENDERED AT SAN JULIAN PARK FROM JULY 1, 2013 THROUGH JUNE 15, 2014



<u>RECOMMENDATIONS</u>:

That the Board:

- 1. Authorize the Department's Chief Accounting Employee to encumber and pay to the Single Room Occupancy Housing Corporation (SRO) an amount not to exceed \$137,070.00 for services at San Julian Park from July 1, 2013 through June 15, 2014.
- 2. Authorize the General Manager, or his designee, to make technical corrections, as necessary, to the transactions included in this report.

SUMMARY:

On February 1, 2012, the Community Redevelopment Agency of the City of Los Angeles (CRA/LA) was dissolved pursuant to Assembly Bill 1X-26. Among other requirements, the dissolution legislation requires CRA/LA to dispose of its real properties. Beginning in January 2013, a City of Los Angeles inter-departmental working group began convening to determine which of CRA/LA properties would be appropriate for transfer to the City for government use. The group's composition included: Office of the Mayor; the City Administrative Officer (CAO); the Chief Legislative Analyst (CLA); the Department of Recreation and Parks (RAP); and several other City Departments. The group determined that thirty-seven (37) properties had potential to be transferred to the City of Los Angeles. Six (6) of these properties were recommended to be transferred to RAP. One (1) of these properties is San Julian Park which serves a large homeless population in the Central City East downtown area. In anticipation of RAP taking possession of San Julian Park, the City Council provided \$150,000.00 in City General Fund (Council File 13-0600-S113, Motion 16) to keep the park open and continue

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services at the facility for Fiscal Year 2013-14. However, the transfer of the park to RAP ownership did not occur and the non-profit organization SRO continued to provide services at the park.

SRO provided the following services from July 1, 2013 to June 15, 2014 at San Julian Park: (1) managed the overall operations of San Julian Park seven (7) days a week; (2) provided security staff; (3) maintained orderliness and cleanliness; (4) ensured restrooms were well stocked and clean; (5) cleaned the park area and surrounding streets and removed debris; (6) maintained landscaping; and (7) maintained calendar of events and activities. SRO has requested payment in the amount of \$137,070.00 for the services provided from July 1, 2013 to June 15, 2014. Staff has reviewed the documentation submitted by SRO and find it acceptable and recommend payment be made.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

The funding for this payment is from the City General Fund (\$150,000.00) that the City Council set aside for this purpose during Fiscal Year 2013-14 budget deliberations.

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