

## BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

#### **BOARD REPORT**

NO. 19-189

#### DATE September 18, 2019

C.D. 14

#### **BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS**

SUBJECT BUDD WIENER PARK - NEW ACCESSIBLE PATHWAY, BENCH SEATING WITH INTEGRATED SHADE AND NEW SHADE TREES PROJECT (PRJ20364); AUTHORIZE USE OF CRA/LA EXCESS NON-HOUSING BOND PROCEEDS TO THE PROJECT; AND CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION FROM THE PROVISIONS OF THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) PURSUANT TO ARTICLE III. SECTION 1. CLASS 3(6)**ICONSTRUCTION OF ACCESSORY STRUCTURESI. CLASS 4(3) [PLANTING** OF NEW TREES], CLASS 4(12) [MINOR TRENCHING AND BACKFILLING] AND CLASS 11(6) [PLACEMENT OF MINOR ACCESSORY STRUCTURES] OF CITY CEQA GUIDELINES AND ARTICLE 19, SECTIONS 15303(e), 15304(b) & (f), AND 15311 OF CALIFORNIA CEQA GUIDELINES.

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#### RECOMMENDATION

- Approve the Final Plans for the Budd Wiener Park Improvement (PRJ20364) Project (Project) as designed by the Department of Recreation and Parks (RAP) Planning, Maintenance and Construction (PMC) staff and as attached to this Report as Attachment 2;
- Authorize RAP staff to request the Economic and Workforce Development Department (EWDD) to encumber Forty-Four Thousand Dollars (\$44,000.00) in CRA/LA Excess Non-Housing Bond Proceeds (EBP) and pay the contractor in such Funds from the CRA/LA Fund 57D, Account No. 22L9IT, Monterey Hills Taxable Series 2002-D for the Budd Wiener Park Improvement Project on behalf of RAP;
- Determine that the proposed Project is Categorically Exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), pursuant to Article III, Section 1, Class 3(6), Class 4(3), Class 4(12) and Class 11(6) of City CEQA Guidelines as well as to Article 19, Sections 15303(e), 15304(b) & (f), and 15311 of California CEQA Guidelines;

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- Authorize RAP's Chief Accounting Employee to prepare a check to the Los Angeles County clerk in the amount of \$75.00 for the purpose of filing a Notice of Exemption (NOE); and
- 5. Authorize RAP's Chief Accounting Employee to make technical corrections as necessary to carry out the intent of this Report.

#### <u>SUMMARY</u>

Budd Wiener Park is located at 4301 Via Marisol, Los Angeles, 90042 within Council District 14 in the community of Monterey Hills. Approximately 3,541 residents live within a one-half (1/2) mile walking distance of Budd Wiener Park. Due to the facilities, features, programs, and services it provides, Budd Wiener Park meets the standard for a Neighborhood Park, as defined in the City's Public Recreation Plan

#### PROJECT SCOPE

Local residents and the Arroyo Seco Neighborhood Council have expressed a need for improvements to Budd Wiener Park. RAP staff, working with the Office of Council District 14 (CD 14) and with input from the local community, have developed a plan for the improvement of the park.

The scope of work for this proposed Project includes the addition of walking paths, additional benches, an outdoor Library Box and shade trees.

RAP Staff estimates the Project cost to be approximately Forty-four Thousand dollars (\$44,000.00).

This proposed Project, if approved by the Board of Recreation and Park Commissioners (Board), will be constructed using RAP's on call pre-qualified contractors.

#### PROJECT FUNDING

On May 24<sup>th</sup>, 2019 (Council File 14-1174-S46) the CRA/LA Oversight Committee authorized RAP to expend up to Forty-Four Thousand Dollars (\$44,000.00), from CRA/LA taxable EBP to design and install outdoor improvements at Budd Wiener park.

The total CRA/LA EBP funds plus interest for the proposed Project is \$44,000.00.

These CRA/LA EBP funds (including all interest earned) were identified by CD 14.

#### FUNDING SOURCE MATRIX

Source	Fund/Dept/Acct	Amount	Percentage
CRA/LA EBP	570/22/22L9IT	\$44,000.00	100%
Total		\$44,000.00	100%

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#### TREES AND SHADE

The approval of this proposed Project includes the addition of Four (4) box trees. They are: four 24" box Tipuana tipu. Additionally, an integrated bench and shade structure will be installed as a part of the Project.

#### ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

The proposed Project consists of the construction of a new pathway, the planting of trees with new irrigation and of the installation of small accessory structures. As such, RAP staff recommends that the Board determines that the Project is Categorically Exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article III, Section 1, Class 3(6), Class 4(3), Class 4(12) and Class 11(6) of City CEQA Guidelines as well as to Article 19, Sections 15303(e), 15304(b) & (f), and 15311 of California CEQA Guidelines. An NOE will be filed with the Los Angeles County Clerk upon the Board's approval.

#### FISCAL IMPACT

Funding for the maintenance cost of the proposed Project will be requested through RAP expanded facilities budget request process.

#### STRATEGIC PLAN INITIATIVES AND GOALS

Approval of this Board Report advances RAP's Strategic Plan by supporting:

- 1. GOAL: To Create and Maintain World Class Parks and Facilities
- 2. OUTCOME: Provide a site specific design solution that creates an Iconic imagery for the park and through the use of sustainable landscape practices, irrigation and materials reduce the park green waste.

This Report was prepared by Chris Atencio, Landscape Architectural Associate, Planning, Maintenance, and Construction Branch, Department of Recreation and Parks.

#### LIST OF ATTACHMENTS/EXHIBITS

- 1) Council No. 14-1174-S46
- 2) Final Plan

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To:	,		· · · · ·	DATE	COUNCIL FILE NO.
Council	-			6/3/19	14-1174-S46
From:					COUNCIL DISTRICT
CRA/LA Bond	Oversight (	Committee			14

At its meeting of May 30, 2019, the CRA/LA Bond Oversight Committee approved recommendations in the attached Economic and Workforce Development Department (EWDD) report and instructed staff to transmit to Council for consideration. Council approval of the report recommendations would authorize the appropriation of up to \$46,316 plus all earned interest in CRA/LA Excess Non-Housing Taxable Bond Proceeds from the Monterey Hills Redevelopment Project Area (Taxable Series 2002-D) for the Budd Weiner Park Improvements Project.

**Fiscal Impact Statement**: There is no impact on the City's General Fund from the proposed appropriation. The CRA/LA Excess Non-Housing Bonds Proceeds Fund No. 57D is funded solely from two transfers totaling approximately \$86 million in pre-2011 tax allocation bond proceeds from CRA/LA to the City. (C.F. 14-1174) Said transfers have been deposited with the Office of the Controller.

Richard H. Llewellyn, Jr. City Administrative Officer Chair, CRA/LA Bond Oversight Committee

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Attachment - May 24, 2019 EWDD Report - Budd Weiner Park Improvements Project

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# **CITY OF LOS ANGELES**

JOHN L. REAMER, JR. INTERIM GENERAL MANAGER CALIFORNIA



ERIC GARCETTI MAYOR

May 24, 2019

Council File:14-1174-S46 Council District No.: 14 Contact Person & Extension: Daysi Hernandez: (213) 744-9340

CRA/LA Bond Oversight Committee c/o Jacqueline Wagner Office of the City Administrative Officer Room 1500, City Hall East

BOND OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE TRANSMITTAL: REQUEST REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATION THAT COUNCIL AND MAYOR, AS REQUIRED, APPROPRIATE UP TO \$42,316 PLUS ALL EARNED INTEREST IN CRA/LA EXCESS NON-HOUSING BOND PROCEEDS FROM THE MONTEREY HILLS REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT AREA (TAXABLE SERIES 2002-D) FOR THE BUDD WIENER PARK IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT

The Interim General Manager of the Economic and Workforce Development Department (EWDD) requests your review, approval and processing of the recommendations in this transmittal to the Mayor and City Council for their review and consideration.

## RECOMMENDATIONS

The Interim General Manager of EWDD, or designee, requests that the Bond Oversight Committee recommend that the City Council, subject to the approval of the Mayor as required:

- DETERMINE that the Budd Wiener Park Improvements Project (Project) consisting of installation of park amenities such as playground, picnic benches, shade structures, walking path, planting trees, irrigation system, water fountain and a library box is categorically exempt from provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines, Article 19, Sections 15301(c), 15304(b), 15304(f), and 15311. The Project is also exempt under the City of Los Angeles CEQA Guidelines Article III, Sections 1(a)(3), 1(d)(3), 1(d)(12), and 1(k)(6).
- APPROVE up to \$42,316 in taxable CRA/LA Excess Non-Housing Bond Proceeds (EBP) plus all earned interest (Interest) available to Council District (CD) 14 from the Monterey Hills Redevelopment Project Area (Project Area) to be utilized for the Project;

ECONOMIC AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

> 1200 W. 7TH STREET LOS ANGELES, CA 90017

- 3. AUTHORIZE the Department of Recreation and Parks (RAP) to be the implementing department for activities related to the Project;
- 4. AUTHORIZE the Board of Recreation and Parks Commissioners to negotiate and execute contracting documents as required with duly procured contractor(s) to effectuate Project no later than September 30, 2019;
- 5. DIRECT RAP to transmit copies of all executed contract(s) under Project to EWDD;
- 6. DIRECT RAP to file a CEQA Notice of Exemption (NOE) with the City Clerk and Los Angeles County Clerk upon Council approval;
- 7. DIRECT RAP to expend the CRA/LA EBP appropriation no later than September 30, 2024;
- 8. DIRECT RAP to report on its work accomplishments to the Office of the City Administrator Officer (CAO), and fund expenditures to EWDD on a quarterly and as-needed basis;
- 9. AUTHORIZE the Controller, subject to the availability of funds and a duly executed and encumbered contract(s), to expend up to \$42,316 plus Interest from the CRA/LA EBP Fund No. 57D, Account No. 22L9IT, Monterey Hills Taxable Series 2002-D, for activities related to the Project upon presentation of proper documentation from RAP and satisfactory review by the EWDD in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Bond Expenditure Agreement (BEA); and
- 10. AUTHORIZE the Interim General Manager of EWDD, or designee, to prepare Controller instructions and/or make technical adjustments that may be required and are consistent with this action, subject to the approval of the CAO, and authorize the Controller to implement these instructions.

## SUMMARY

Transmitted herewith for your review, approval, and further processing are recommendations pursuant to a CD 14 Motion (Huizar-Price) which was adopted by Council on September 7, 2018 (C.F. 14-1174-S46).

This transmittal recommends that up to \$42,316 in taxable EBP plus Interest in the Project Area within CD 14 be allocated to RAP to implement improvements at the Budd Wiener Park. Park Improvements at Budd Wiener Park, including pocket park construction of park amenities, playground, picnic benches, and water fountain were identified as a potential project in the Project Area's Bond Spending Plan (BSP) that was adopted by Council on June 24, 2015 (C.F. 14-1174). Sufficient funds for this purpose are available from CD 14's 100% share of EBP and Interest in the Project Area.

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The original EBP in Project Area available to CD 14 was \$50,376. After the 16% (\$8,060) administrative appropriation, \$42,316 remained available to CD 14. This Motion's proposed allocation will exhaust all EBP and Interest available to CD 14 in the Project Area.

## EWDD ANALYSIS

EWDD has met and consulted with CD 14 and RAP regarding Project and the scope of work. The RAP will serve as implementing department and construction manager who will design all park improvements. RAP will negotiate and execute contract(s) with duly procured contractor(s) from its list of pre-qualified on-call contractors to construct the improvements. The anticipated scope of work is as follows:

- 1. Construct decomposed granite pathway
- 2. Install shade canopy with benches
- 3. Install an outdoor library box
- 4. Provide shade trees and irrigation adjustments

The estimated project cost is \$44,000 which will be 100% funded with taxable EBP plus Interest totaling approximately \$44,900. The EBP will be utilized as follows:

Taxable	EBP	Cost	<u>Estimate</u>	

Project Management	\$2,000
Design	\$3,200
Construction	\$32,000
Construction Contingency	\$4,800
Project Contingency	\$2,000
Total Taxable EBP Cost Estimate	\$44,000

Funding for the contract(s) must be encumbered no later than September 30, 2019 with EBP appropriation fully expended no later than September 30, 2024. Deliverables and/or activity reports showing percentages of completion must accompany RAP's original signed off invoices to be submitted to EWDD. Disbursements will be authorized pursuant to receipt and satisfactory review by EWDD to ensure compliance with bond covenants and BEA, and that the approved spending categories and amounts adhere to those outlined in this transmittal.

RAP will report on its work accomplishments to the CAO, and report funds expended to the EWDD, on a quarterly and as-needed basis for their respective reporting to the BOC, Mayor and CRA/LA.

## BENEFITS TO THE AFFECTED TAXING ENTITIES

The Project will provide community benefits to the surrounding neighborhood by upgrading the quality of park experience especially for children and seniors. Improved pathways will increase park accessibility and encourage walking and exercise. The shade canopy and shade trees will promote increased utilization of the park during warm weather, especially by those who are more sensitive to sun exposure. Improved irrigation will help to maintain the park's condition, and support the preservation of the park as a valuable green space in the community. These improvements will attract more residents, while fostering improved health, safety and community.

## ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

The Project consists of installation of park amenities such as playground, picnic benches, shade structures, walking path, planting trees, irrigation system, water fountain and a library box. The Project is categorically exempt from provisions of the CEQA pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines, Article 19, Sections 15301(c), 15304(b), 15304 (f), and 15311. Project is also exempt under the City of Los Angeles CEQA Guidelines Article III, Sections 1(a)(3), 1(d)(3), 1(d)(12), and 1(k)(6). A Notice of Exemption (Attachment 2) shall be filed by RAP with the City Clerk as well as the Los Angeles County Clerk upon Project approval by City Council.

## CAO COVENANT REVIEW

The CAO has completed its review of the original bond documents and covenants, and has found that the proposed use of excess bond proceeds, as presented, is consistent with those covenants.

## **FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

There is no impact on the City's General Fund from the proposed appropriation of CRA/LA EBP. The CRA/LA EBP Fund No. 57D is funded solely from transfers of approximately \$86 million in pre-2011 tax allocation bond proceeds from CRA/LA to the City (C.F. 14-1174 and 14-1174-S36). Said transfers have been deposited with the Office of the Controller.

JOHN L. REAMÉR, JR. Interim General Manager

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ATTACHMENTS: 1. Motion (Huizar-Price) C. F. 11-1174-S46 2. CEQA Notice of Exemption (To be filed by RAP)

## HOUSING

#### MOTION

Budd Wiener Park is located in Council District 14 along Via Marisol between Via Colina and Via Arbolada in the community of Monterey Hills. The City-owned park is under the jurisdiction of the Department of Recreation and Parks (RAP) and includes basic features such as an open grass area, shade trees, and a few benches scattered throughout the park. The Monterey Hills Redevelopment Project Area was established in 1971 by the former Community Redevelopment Agency of Los Angeles (CRA/LA) to promote economic development and public improvements throughout Monterey Hills. Local residents and the Arroyo Seco Neighborhood Council have expressed a need for improvements to Budd Wiener Park that include the addition of walking paths, additional benches and shade trees.

Council District 14 has identified taxable CRA/LA Excess Bond Proceeds from the Monterey Hills Redevelopment Project Area to assist RAP in implementing public improvements to Budd Wiener Park. In accordance with policies adopted by Council (C.F. 14-1174) related to the CRA/LA Bond Expenditure Agreement and Bond Spending Plan, any proposal to expend CRA/LA Excess Bond Proceeds shall be initiated by Council Motion. Proposals will be reviewed by the CRA/LA Bond Oversight Committee, Economic Development Committee, and any other applicable committee with final recommendations presented to the Council and Mayor for final consideration and approval. The use of taxable CRA/LA Excess Bond Proceeds for public improvements to Budd Wiener Park in the Monterey Hills Redevelopment Project Area is an identified eligible expense in the Bond Expenditure Agreement and Bond Spending Plan.

I THEREFORE MOVE that all taxable CRA/LA Excess Bond Proceeds, including all earned interest, available to Council District 14 from the Monterey Hills Redevelopment Project Area be utilized by the Department of Recreation and Parks to implement cligible park improvements at Budd Weiner Park; and

I FURTHER MOVE that the Economic and Workforce Development Department, with the assistance of the City Administrative Officer, Chief Legislative Analyst, the Department of Recreation and Parks, and any other applicable City department, provide a report with recommendations to the CRA/LA Bond Oversight Committee to allocate all remaining taxable CRA/LA Excess Bond Proceeds to the Department of Recreation and Parks for public improvements at Budd Weiner Park as identified in the Bond Expenditure Agreement and Bond Spending Plan for the Monterey Hills Redevelopment Project Area.

PRESENTED BY JOSÉ HUIZA Councilmember, 14th District SECONDED BY

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## ATTACHMENT 2

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