

April 22, 2025

Honorable Mayor and City Council
City of Long Beach
California

RECOMMENDATION

Adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager, or designee, to execute any necessary documents including subsequent amendments, to accept grant funds from the California Department of Parks and Recreation (California State Parks) in an amount not to exceed \$2,000,000, for capital improvements at Hudson Park. (District 7)

DISCUSSION

The City of Long Beach (City) submits priority projects through the City's legislative delegation for direct funding opportunities through the state and federal budget processes. In FY 25, the City received notice of an award for a State Budget Earmark of \$2,000,000 for Hudson Park, thanks to the support of State Senator Lena Gonzalez.

Hudson Park contains two baseball/softball fields plus a space for a turf or artificial turf soccer field. Capital improvements proposed at Hudson Park include renovating the athletic field, replacing freestanding restrooms, designing and installing a turf soccer field, replacing the baseball field backstop, installing hydration stations, and improving the landscape and irrigation.

This project is part of the City's Livable West Long Beach Plan, which is a comprehensive plan to advance quality of life in West Long Beach, an area of the City that has historically been underinvested and disadvantaged. This project will advance green spaces for physical activity, foster community connections, and enhance the overall quality of life for residents in West Long Beach.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Anita Lakhani and by Revenue Management Officer Geraldine Alejo on April 3, 2025.

TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action is requested on April 22, 2025, to allow staff to execute the grant agreement before the deadline of May 6, 2025.

FISCAL IMPACT

The City will receive funding in an amount not to exceed \$2,000,000 to complete capital improvements at Hudson Park. The grant funding has no match requirement or in-kind service mandate. Following finalization of the grant agreement with California State Parks, staff will

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return to the City Council with a request to appropriate grant funds. This recommendation has no staffing impact beyond the normal budgeted scope of duties and is consistent with existing City Council priorities. This recommendation will potentially result in a positive impact on jobs.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,



Brent Dennis
Director
Parks, Recreation and Marine

Attachment: Resolution

APPROVED:



THOMAS B. MODICA
CITY MANAGER