

STAFF REPORT

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Date: September 10, 2024

To: Mayor Parris and City Council Members

From: Sonya Patterson, Director - Parks, Arts, Recreation, and Community Services Department

Subject: **Accept Los Angeles County Region Park and Open Space District (RPOSD) Measure A Grant**

Recommendation:

- A. Accept \$1,328,747.27 in Los Angeles County RPOSD Measure A grant funds to revenue account 210.6990.4998.
- B. Appropriate Los Angeles County RPOSD Measure A grant funds in the amount of \$1,328,747.27 to expenditure account 210.6990.5656.

G.C. Section 84308: No

Fiscal Impact:

No impact to general fund. Funded by Los Angeles County Regional Parks and Open Space (RPOSD) Measure A funds.

Background:

In November 2016, Los Angeles County voters approved the Los Angeles County Safe, Clean Neighborhood Parks, Open Space, Beaches, Rivers Protection, and Water Conservation Measure (Measure A). Funding through the program is generated in perpetuity through the collection of a parcel tax. Measure A provides the City of Lancaster with formula-based annual allocations, which can be utilized for park improvement projects.

On May 28, 2019 City Council adopted Resolution 19-21; approving the blanket authority to file applications with the RPOSD for Measure A Funds for projects or programs; and appointing the City Manager, or designee, to conduct all negotiations, and to execute and submit all documents

including, but not limited to, applications, agreements, amendments, payment requests and so forth, which may be necessary for the completion of projects and programs.

The community actively participated in engagement sessions at Samaritan's Purse Park (SPP), formerly El Dorado Park, through which it was recognized there is a need for a safe and inclusive play space for children of all ages. In May 2024 the City of Lancaster applied to RPOSD to utilize Measure A allocation grant funds to replace the SPP playground.

Thanks to Measure A funds awarded by RPOSD, SPP will receive a modern, safe, and accessible play structure for children ages 2-12 as part of the park renovation project. This exciting new playground will feature a variety of play features, swing sets, and a pour-in-place rubber surface that prioritizes safety, durability, and accessibility for everyone in the community.

Attachment:
RPOSD Grant Agreement

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