



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

MEETING DATE: FEBRUARY 17, 2004

ITEM NUMBER:

SUBJECT: 2000 PARK BOND ACT ROBERTI-Z'BERG-HARRIS GRANT RESOLUTION

DATE: FEBRUARY 5, 2004

FROM: PUBLIC SERVICES DEPARTMENT

PRESENTATION BY: WILLIAM J. MORRIS – PUBLIC SERVICES DIRECTOR

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RECOMMENDATION:

Approve a resolution authorizing application for grant funds from the Roberti-Z'Berg-Harris (RZH) Block Grant Program under the Safe Neighborhood Parks, Clean Water, Clean Air, and Coastal Protection Bond Act of 2000.

BACKGROUND:

On March 7, 2000 Proposition 12, the 2000 Parks Bond Act (Safe Neighborhood Parks, Clean Water, Clean Air, and Coastal Protection Bond Act of 2000) was approved by California voters. The 2000 Parks Bond Act provides \$155 million for local park projects to be distributed with the RZH Block Grant Program. The State of California Department of Parks and Recreation administers the grant program.

The RZH grants are allocated to cities, counties, and park and recreation districts on a population-based formula. Funds allocated to local agencies will be appropriated primarily for projects that rehabilitate existing facilities at local parks; develop facilities that promote positive alternatives for youth and that promote cooperation between local parks and recreation services providers.

The City's share of RZH Block Grant funds is \$310,381 (Attachment 1). To qualify for the grant funds, the City Council is required to approve the attached resolution (Attachments 2).

ANALYSIS:

Once the resolution is approved by the City Council, submitted and approved by the State of California Department of Parks and Recreation, staff will then be eligible to submit grant-funding requests for park improvement projects. The City is not required at this time to specify a specific park project in the resolution. Staff proposes to recommend use of the grant monies for specific projects in the upcoming Fiscal Year 04-05 Capital Improvement Program (CIP) list.

The attached resolution also appoints the Director of Public Services as the City's agent to conduct all negotiations, and to execute and submit all documents that may be necessary for the grant application and completion of projects.

ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED:

The City Council could reject staff's recommendation and not approve the attached resolution. This would result in the loss of \$310,381 in grant funds from the RZH Block Grant program.

FISCAL REVIEW:

At this time, there are no projects selected for the 2000 RZH Block Grant funds, which amount to \$310,381. The City is required to provide 30 percent matching funds (\$133,020) for this grant program.

LEGAL REVIEW:

The City Attorney's office has approved the attached resolution as to form.

CONCLUSION:

The City of Costa Mesa is eligible to receive \$310,381 for park improvement projects from the 2000 Parks Bond Act RZH Block Grant Program. To be eligible to receive the funds, the City Council must approve the attached resolution authorizing staff to submit a grant application. Staff recommends that the City Council approve the attached resolution and authorize staff to submit a grant application to the State of California Department of Parks and Recreation.

Once the funding is approved, staff recommends consideration of specific projects within the upcoming FY 04-05 CIP review process.

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ATTACHMENTS: 1 [Funding Notification Robert-Z-Berg-Harris Grant](#)
 2 [Roberti-Z-Berg-Harris Grant Resolution](#)

RZH 2000 Park Bond Resolution

February 3, 2004

5:30 p.m.