



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

MEETING DATE: NOVEMBER 20, 2007

ITEM NUMBER:

SUBJECT: NAMING OF AN ELEMENT OF TEWINKLE PARK TO RECOGNIZE CONTRIBUTIONS MADE BY A NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION

DATE: NOVEMBER 8, 2007

FROM: PUBLIC SERVICES DEPARTMENT, ENGINEERING DIVISION

PRESENTATION BY: WILLIAM J. MORRIS, DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICES

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RECOMMENDATION:

Approve Angels Charity's request to name the new playground and its surrounding park amenities at TeWinkle Park "Angels Playground."

BACKGROUND:

In August 2004, City staff was approached by Angels Charity to donate and install, free of charge to the City, new handicap accessible, barrier-free playground equipment at TeWinkle Park. The proposed location for the donated equipment is the existing playground area located in the northerly portion of the park, just west of Junipero Drive. The proposed project would replace the existing tot lot equipment that is approximately 15 to 20 years old. Angels Charity is a local 501 (c)(3) non-profit organization established by Mr. Doug Hansen.

The Parks and Recreation Commission, at the meeting of September 22, 2004, accepted the donation of the new handicap accessible playground equipment for TeWinkle Park (Attachment 1).

In January 2006, the State of California Department of Parks and Recreation approved the City's application for a grant under the State Urban Parks and Healthy Communities Program, sponsored by the 2002 Resources Bond Act, in an amount up to \$930,000. A key factor in awarding this grant was the major contribution made by Angels Charity. Angels Charity's commitment to the project amounted to \$350,000 and includes donation of products and services to the project. The Costa Mesa Community Foundation also donated \$5,000 towards the design and construction of the project. With these grants, the project was expanded to include a new restroom facility and new picnic shelters.

Angels Charity has requested that the new improvements be named "Angels Playground" to identify the new facilities (Attachment 2). At the meeting of March 28, 2007, the Parks and Recreation Commission reviewed and recommended approval of this request (Attachment 3).

ANALYSIS:

Naming elements of a park for its distinct amenities is commonly done to assist users in finding these amenities. TeWinkle Park currently has the Athletic Field, Lakes, Skate Park, and Bark Park all within the boundaries of TeWinkle Park. Staff supports this request due to the regional significance of the new playground.

Staff has prepared a conceptual layout of the monument sign (Attachment 4) that would be constructed with this project if this request is approved. Attachment 5 depicts the proposed location for

the installation of the sign. Additional directional and educational signage within the project limits may be required and will follow previously established standards.

The design and bid phases of the project have been completed and City Council is scheduled to consider the award of a construction contract at the regular meeting of November 20, 2007. The total project cost, including design services and construction (based on the apparent low bidder's proposal), is \$1,783,949.

Angels Charity's original commitment of \$350,000 in products and services has been exceeded. The donated items include:

Item	Description	Amount
1	Playground equipment and installation	\$208,000
2	Consultant services	\$110,051
3	Blueprinting and fees	\$6,721
4	Demolition	\$15,000
5	Purchase of two picnic shelters and four arbors	\$189,366
	Total	\$529,138

ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED:

1. City Council may deny Angels Charity's request and direct staff not to provide monument signage for these elements.
2. City Council may recommend, in addition to approving the recommended action, revisions to the text, graphics, and/or proposed location and orientation of the sign.

FISCAL REVIEW:

Funds for the design and construction of the project were approved with the adoption of the fiscal year 2006-2007 Capital Improvement Program budget. The proposed monument sign, if approved, will be donated by Angels Charity.

LEGAL REVIEW:

A legal review is not required for this item.

CONCLUSION:

It is recommended that City Council approve naming the new playground and adjacent park amenities "Angels Playground."

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- Attachments: 1 - [Minutes from the Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting of 09-22-04](#)
2 - [Angels Charity's Requests dated 11-05-04 and 01-14-06](#)
3 - [Minutes from the Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting of 03-28-07](#)
4 - [Park Monument Sign Conceptual Design](#)
5 - [Construction Plan](#)

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