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DEPARTMENT OF
PARKS AND RECREATION

CITY OF SACRAMENTO
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June 15, 2004

City Council
Sacramento, California

Honorable Members in Session:

**SUBJECT: ESTABLISH A CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM CIP (PN: LV82)
FOR REGIONAL PARKS AND PARKWAYS**

LOCATION AND COUNCIL DISTRICT: City Wide

RECOMMENDATION:

This report recommends that Council, by resolution (page 4):

1. Approve the establishment of a new Regional Parks and Parkways Capital Improvement Project (LV82);
2. Authorize the annual payments from the Sacramento Area Flood Control Agency commencing with the June 30, 2004 payment and continuing through year 2011 to be used to fund the Regional Parks and Parkways CIP (LV82); and
3. Authorize the establishment of a revenue budget (101-450-4727-3599) and expenditure budget (101-500-LV82-4820) to reflect payments received from the SAFCA Agreement related to the sale of easements at Hansen Ranch.

CONTACT PERSON: Robert G. Overstreet, Parks and Recreation Director, 264-1190
Janet Baker, Park Development Manager, 264-8234

FOR COUNCIL MEETING OF: June 29, 2004

SUMMARY:

This report authorizes the creation of a capital improvement project for regional parks and parkways. The potential projects will be selected from the Department's Parks, Recreation, and Programming Guide (PRPG). As projects are identified they will be brought to City Council for approval.

The funding for this project will come from annual payments made by the Sacramento

Area Flood Control Agency (SAFCA) for the flood and conservation easements at Hansen Ranch property. The agreement between the City and SAFCA required SAFCA to pay the City \$1,652,701 for the 10 year period starting June 30, 2001 and ending June 30, 2010. Staff is recommending that these general fund revenues starting June 30, 2004 and ending June 30, 2010 in the amount of \$1,472,701 be used for the regional parks and parkways discussed above.

COMMITTEE/COMMISSION ACTION:

The Citizen's Advisory Committee (CAC) for Parks and Recreation has been briefed on the department's open space and park development efforts and has recommended the Parks Recreation and Programming Guide to the City Council for adoption.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Regional parks and parkways are an important component to the City's infrastructure because their large size allows for a variety of activities that range from passive recreation in a natural setting to intense recreation use such as sports league competitions or music and/or theater venues that attracts people throughout the region. While Sacramento is fortunate to have several regional parks and parkways that benefit the entire city, the parks often lack the funding needed to realize full development. Also, the need for acquiring land for new regional parks is becoming more urgent as the city's population growth continues to grow.

While providing important quality-of-life infrastructures, regional parks and parkways do not have a reliable source of funding. Parkland dedication or in-lieu fees from new development and park impact fees can only be used towards neighborhood and community parks. In general, the city relies on grants for the development of regional parks. In order to best leverage any funding opportunities, staff is proposing using the payments from Sacramento Area Flood Control Agency (SAFCA) for its purchase of easements on the Hansen Ranch site towards regional parks and parkways. The potential projects that will use this fund will be selected from the Department's Parks, Recreation, and Programming Guide (PRPG). As projects are identified staff will come forward to City Council for project approval.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS:

The proposed Capital Improvement Project CIP (PN: LV82) will be funded by payments from SAFCA for its purchase of flood control and conservation easements at the Hansen Ranch site starting with the June 30, 2004 payment of \$175,000 and continuing through year 2010 that will total \$1,472,701.

ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS:

There are no environmental considerations at this time. Individual projects funded by this CIP will be subject to the California Environmental Quality Act.

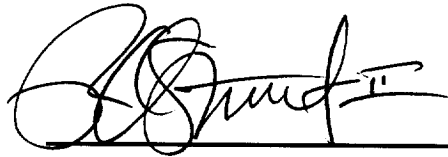
POLICY CONSIDERATIONS:

This action is consistent with City of Sacramento's General Plan Conservation Element, and Smart Growth Principals, to preserve natural beauty and open space, critical environmental areas, promote livable communities, and cultivate recreation opportunities.

ESBD EFFORTS:

No goods or services are being purchased in association with this report.

Respectfully submitted,



ROBERT G. OVERSTREET
Director, Parks and Recreation

RECOMMENDATION APPROVED:



ROBERT P. THOMAS
City Manager

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RESOLUTION NO.

ADOPTED BY THE CITY OF SACRAMENTO

ON DATE: _____

A RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH A CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT CIP (PN: LV82) FOR REGIONAL PARKS AND PARKWAYS

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SACRAMENTO THAT:

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MAYOR

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK

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