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City Council  
Sacramento, California

Honorable Members in Session:

**SUBJECT: SUPPORT AN APPLICATION FOR A LAND AND WATER  
CONSERVATION FUND (LWCF) GRANT FOR THE REHABILITATION  
OF MCKINLEY PARK**

**LOCATION AND COUNCIL DISTRICT:** McKinley Park, Council District 3

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends that the City Council, by resolution (p. 5 & 6), support an application for a Land and Water Conservation Program Grant for the rehabilitation of McKinley Park.

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**FOR COUNCIL MEETING OF:** March 16, 2004

**SUMMARY:**

The Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) Program funds projects related to outdoor recreational activities and indoor facilities that support outdoor recreational activities. The types of projects that are most often funded are those related to development and rehabilitation of trails, picnic areas and open field areas that include top priority recreation projects. The Department of Parks and Recreation will request approximately \$150,000 from the State Department of Parks and Recreation to fund the rehabilitation of McKinley Park. The grant proposal is due on May 3, 2004.

**COMMITTEE/COMMISSION ACTION:**

The Citizen's Advisory Committee (CAC) supported staff's recommendation to prepare a LWCF grant proposal for the McKinley Park Rehabilitation Project at its March 4, 2004 meeting.



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## **BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

The Land and Water Conservation Fund Program provide funds to federal agencies, and to the 50 states and 6 territories. Funds for the program are derived from federal recreation fees, sales of federal surplus real property, the federal motorboat fuels tax and the Outer Continental Shelf mineral receipts. The money allocated to the states may be used for statewide planning, and for acquiring and developing outdoor recreation areas and facilities. California's allocation for last year was \$12 million. This year's allocation is also expected to be around \$7.8 million. About \$4.2 million will be available for grants to local agencies: 60% for Southern California (\$2.5 million) and 40% for Northern California (\$1.7 million). Cities, counties and districts are eligible to apply.

The program is a reimbursement grant program and requires a dollar for dollar match. If a jurisdiction is successful in obtaining funding, that jurisdiction is awarded 50% of the total project cost. However, at the time of application the local jurisdiction is required to be able to **fully fund** the proposed project as described in the grant proposal. The project also requires that all environmental documents be completed in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

Staff evaluated a number of projects from both the existing Capital Improvement Program (CIP) and the council adopted 2004 Parks and Recreation Programming Guide (PRPG). Rehabilitation of McKinley Park was determined based upon the grant criteria to be the most competitive project. The project is a priority project in that it was a top scoring project in one of the City's eleven community planning areas in the 2004 PRPG.

Furthermore, the project is competitive based upon the program criteria in that:

- ▶ The project meets a statewide recreational need;
- ▶ The project addresses a facility deficiency;
- ▶ The project has been through a community process;
- ▶ The project is in a densely populated area of the City;
- ▶ The project has the available 50% match;
- ▶ The project is consistent with local plans;
- ▶ There is easy public access to the facility;
- ▶ The project requires minor modifications to the existing site, and
- ▶ The requested amount is appropriate to the total amount available to Northern California agencies.

The proposed project is an enhancement of the existing Capital Improvement Project. The existing project includes improvements to the pool area and additional park lighting. The grant funds would be used to enhance the existing project and rehabilitate the existing group picnic area at the park, make the picnic areas at the park accessible under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and if possible add additional concrete walkways to further increase access.

**FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS:**

With Council support, the City will request an approximate amount of \$150,000 from the State of California Department of Parks and Recreation. The LWCF program will fund at most 50% of the total project budget as proposed in the grant application. A \$150,000 request will require a \$150,000 match, making the total project budget for the grant proposal \$300,000. The match will come from the existing Capital Improvement Project (CIP) for McKinley Park CIP (PN: LT87) which has sufficient funds to provide a 50% match.

**ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS:**

The grant program requires that at the time of application the grant comply with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). Staff will work with the Planning and Building Department, Environmental Planning Services Section to comply with CEQA by the grant deadline.

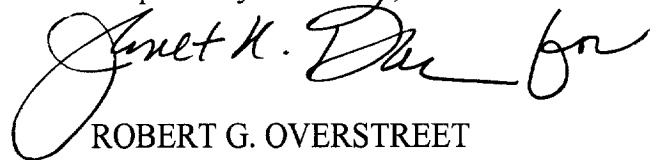
**POLICY CONSIDERATIONS:**

The rehabilitation of McKinley Park is consistent with the City's approved strategic plan, enhancing the quality of life for present and future generations and preserving and enhancing park and recreation opportunities.

**ESBD CONSIDERATIONS:**

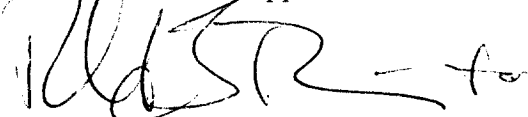
Not applicable at this time as no goods or services are being procured as a result of support for a Land and Water Conservation Fund grant application.

Respectfully Submitted,



ROBERT G. OVERSTREET  
Director of Parks and Recreation

Recommendation Approved:



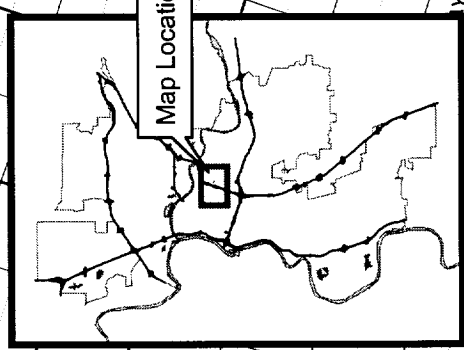
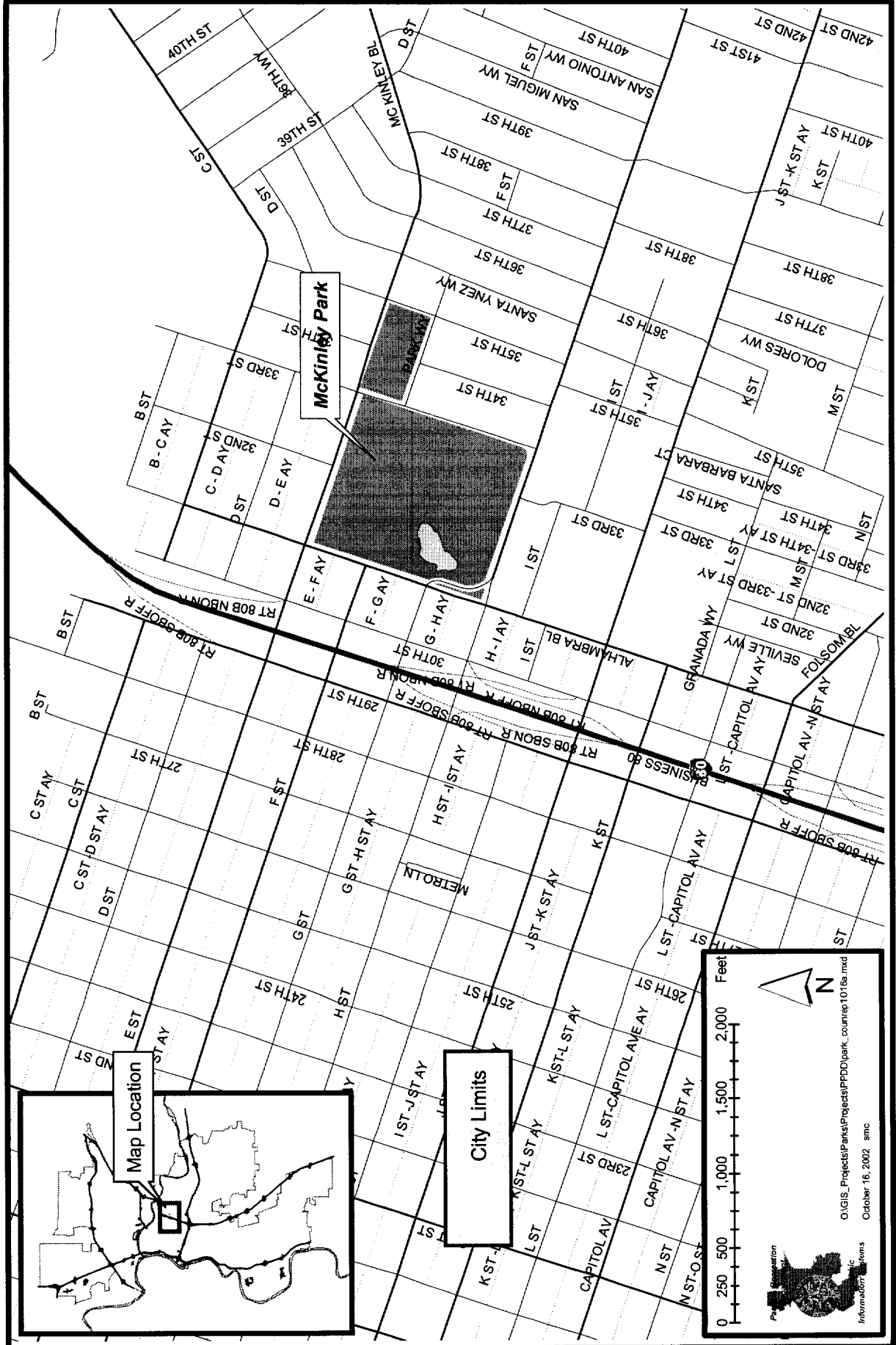
ROBERT P. THOMAS  
City Manager

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**City of Sacramento**  
**Department of Parks and Recreation**  
**McKinley Park**



Map Location

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**RESOLUTION NO.**  
**ADOPTED BY THE SACRAMENTO CITY COUNCIL**

ON THE DATE OF \_\_\_\_\_

**APPROVING THE APPLICATION FOR LAND AND WATER CONSERVATION FUND  
MCKINLEY PARK REHABILITATION PROJECT**

WHEREAS, the Congress under Public Law 88-578 has authorized the establishment of a federal Land and Water Conservation Fund Grant-In-Aid program, providing Matching funds to the State of California and its political subdivisions for acquiring lands and developing Facilities for public outdoor recreation purposes; and

WHEREAS, the California Department of Parks and Recreation is responsible for administration of the program in the State, setting up necessary rules and procedures governing Applications by local agencies under the program; and

WHEREAS, said adopted procedures established by the State Department of Parks and Recreation require the Applicant to certify by resolution the approval of Applications and the availability of eligible Matching funds prior to submission of said Applications to the State; and

WHEREAS, the proposed McKinley Park Rehabilitation Project is consistent with the Statewide Comprehensive Recreation Resources Plan *California Outdoor Recreation Plan - 2002*; and

WHEREAS, the Project must be compatible with the land use plans of those jurisdictions immediately surrounding Project;

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

**The City Council hereby:**

1. Approves the filing of an Application for Land and Water Conservation Fund assistance; and
2. Certifies that said agency has Matching funds from the following source: Capital Improvement Program Budget and can finance 100 percent of the Project, half of which will be reimbursed; and

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3. Certifies that the Project is compatible with the land use plans of those jurisdictions immediately surrounding the Project; and
4. Appoints the City Manager, Deputy City Manager or Director of Parks and Recreation as agent of the Applicant to conduct all negotiations and execute and submit all documents, including, but not limited to, Applications, contracts, amendments, payment requests, and so on which may be necessary for the completion of the aforementioned Project.

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MAYOR

ATTEST:

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CITY CLERK

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