



SPECIAL NOTICE

Public Participation Accessibility for the City Council meeting scheduled for **March 16, 2021**.

Pursuant to Executive Order N-29-20, executed by the Governor of California on March 17, 2020, and as a response to mitigating the spread of Coronavirus known as COVID-19, the meeting of the City Council scheduled for **Tuesday, March 16, 2021 at 5:00 p.m.** will allow members of the public to participate and address the City Council during the open session of the meeting via live stream and/or teleconference only. Below are the ways to participate:

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- E-mail: crequest@paramountcity.com
- Teleconference: (562) 220-2225

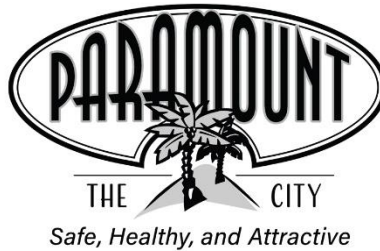
In order to effectively accommodate public participation, participants are encouraged to provide their public comments via e-mail before **5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 16, 2021**. The e-mail must specify the following information: 1) Full Name; 2) City of Residence; 3) Phone Number; 4) Public Comment or Agenda Item No; 5) Subject; 6) Written Comments. Comments related to a specific agenda item must be received before the item is considered and will be provided to the City Council accordingly as they are received.

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AGENDA

Paramount City Council
March 16, 2021



Adjourned Meeting
City Hall Council Chambers
5:00 p.m.

City of Paramount

16400 Colorado Avenue ♦ Paramount, CA 90723 ♦ (562) 220-2000 ♦ www.paramountcity.com

Public Comments: See Special Notice. Persons are limited to a maximum of 3 minutes unless an extension of time is granted. No action may be taken on items not on the agenda except as provided by law.

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Notes

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Peggy Lemons

ROLL CALL OF
COUNCILMEMBERS:

Councilmember Isabel Aguayo
Councilmember Laurie Guillen
Councilmember Vilma Cuellar Stallings
Vice Mayor Brenda Olmos
Mayor Peggy Lemons

CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC COMMENT UPDATES

PUBLIC COMMENTS

PRESENTATIONS

1. [PROCLAMATION](#) Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month
2. [INTRODUCTION](#) Youth Commission Chair and Vice Chair

OLD BUSINESS

3. [RECEIVE AND FILE](#) One-year Review of Regulations Adopted by the City Council for Home Gardens and Consideration of Additional Options

NEW BUSINESS

4. [ORAL REPORT](#) Overview of SEAACA Animal Control Services
5. [RESOLUTION NO. 21:007](#) Supporting Efforts to Declare the First Monday in March as National COVID Memorial Day
6. [APPROVAL](#) Neighborhood Permit Parking Request for 8056 and 8102 Rosecrans Avenue
7. [ORAL REPORT](#) Review of Community Services & Recreation Programming
8. [RECEIVE AND FILE](#) Dills Park Mini-Pitch Pilot Reservation Program
9. [RECEIVE AND FILE](#) Summary of Handball in Paramount and Proposed Roosevelt Handball Courts Pilot Reservation Program
10. [RECEIVE AND FILE](#) General Plan Annual Progress Report – Calendar Year 2020
11. [APPROVAL](#) Rejection of Bid for the Renovation of City Bus Shelters (City Project No. 9153)
12. [APPROVAL](#) Proposal from Willdan Engineering to Provide Professional Engineering Design Services for Alondra Boulevard Widening Project (City Project No. 9136)

COMMENTS/COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Councilmembers
- Staff

ADJOURNMENT

To a meeting on April 6, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

City Council Public Comment Updates

March 16, 2021

From the March 2, 2021 City Council Meeting:

Prior to comments from the public, City Manager John Moreno provided an oral report to the City Council about a social media post circulating regarding the AQMD's decision to suspend sampling of the City's air quality monitoring devices. Additionally, the social media post seemed to be critical of the City's response to air quality issues when compared to a recent air quality situation in the City of Irvine. Mr. Moreno provided background on the reasons why AQMD decided to temporarily suspend air sampling in Paramount. Mr. Moreno also provided differences in the air quality situation involving the City of Irvine vs. the air quality situation involving the City of Paramount.

Resident	Request/Issue/Concern	Action/Comment
Gerald Cerda	Instructions from City staff to reopen an appeal through the LA County Superior Court for a parking citation.	While the City cannot provide Mr. Cerda legal advice on his citation, staff contacted the court on his behalf and requested information about the process for filing a court action for a parking citation. Staff has relayed this information to Mr. Cerda.
Robert Blankenship	Support from the City and local community members for his proposed alternative restoration plan for the section of the lower Los Angeles River that abuts Paramount.	Public Works staff will review Mr. Blankenship's proposed plan and will contact him for follow-up.

City Council Public Comment Updates

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Resident	Request/Issue/Concern	Action/Comment
Jaime Lopez	<p>Would like the City to implement a community-based forum to enable increased public participation in environmental issues.</p> <p>Requested an update on the Unity in the Community discussions.</p>	<p>City staff has already been researching this matter and plans to present to the City Council a recommendation at a future meeting, likely in April.</p> <p>In November 2020, the Unity in the Community committee made progress in planning its next community discussion, which was set to take place at the start of 2021 and would focus on youth and young adults. Due to COVID-19 Safer at Home Orders that took effect in late November, the committee was unable to finish planning logistics for the youth forum. Staff is monitoring the County's Health Order mandates, which are expected to be lifted in the coming days/weeks. Once permitted by the County, the committee will set its next date to meet to finalize logistics for its next community discussion.</p>
Jose De Leon	<p>Information on the current status and location of the air quality monitors.</p>	<p>City Manager John Moreno contacted Mr. De Leon following the meeting to provide him the same update that was provided to the City Council, as outlined above.</p>

Resident	Request/Issue/Concern	Action/Comment
Adrian Alvarez and Sonia De Leon (via email)	Would like the City Council to support efforts to end discrimination against intellectual and developmental disabilities by signing up to take the pledge "Spread the Word: Inclusion"	Staff has reviewed the mission statement of this effort and forwarded the information to the City Council for consideration.
Maria Paz	Expressed concern that the City is issuing parking citations and reporting delinquencies to the DMV. She also requested that the citation appeals information be made available in Spanish.	Staff contacted Ms. Paz about her parking citation and explained how and why unpaid citations are sent to the DMV, and that this is a long-standing practice. Staff also informed her that information and forms are available in Spanish at the Sheriff's Station. Additionally, bilingual staff are available at the Sheriff's Station front counter to talk about citation appeals. While the appeals instructions on the back of the citation are in English only due to limited space, staff will add a line in Spanish that directs people to the City's website for appeals information and a bilingual telephone number.
Rodolfo Cortes-Barragan	Wants to know why the Parking Sub-Committee cannot meet virtually.	Prior to the latest COVID Health Order issued in November 2020, staff considered the feasibility of holding a meeting of the Parking Sub-Committee under social distancing requirements. It was determined that shifting to a virtual format would not be as effective as in-person meetings for a number of reasons, namely a virtual meeting cannot achieve the same level of engagement with residents that an in-person can achieve. Staff will continue to monitor Health Orders for in-person meetings and revisit the possibility of in-person meetings when social distancing orders are scaled back.

Resident	Request/Issue/Concern	Action/Comment
Rodolfo Cortes-Barragan (Cont'd)	Wants the City to close down factories in Paramount to address environmental concerns.	Under current law, the City does not have any authority to shut down private businesses for environmental concerns. Any such action would require an act by federal, state, or a regional agency in response to an environmental violation.
	Wants to know if the water quality in Paramount is healthy.	The City of Paramount has its water tested by independent labs on a regular basis to make sure there are no impurities or dangerous levels of contaminants in the supply delivered to consumers. One of the City's most important and serious duties is providing safe, clean water to its residents. That will never change; Paramount's water has always been, and will continue to be, completely safe for any use. Currently, the water quality in Paramount meets or exceeds State and federal water standards.

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PROCLAMATION

DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES AWARENESS MONTH

MARCH 16, 2021

INTRODUCTION

YOUTH COMMISSION CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR

MARCH 16, 2021

REPORT

HOME GARDENS – ONE-YEAR REVIEW



To: Honorable City Council

From: John Moreno, City Manager

By: John Carver, Planning Director
John King, AICP, Assistant Planning Director

Date: March 16, 2021

Subject: HOME GARDENS – ONE-YEAR REVIEW

This item is a follow-up report on updated and expanded home garden opportunities in residential zones and legal nonconforming residential properties within commercial and manufacturing zones. The City Council requested this report at the December 15, 2020 City Council meeting. (A copy of the December 2020 agenda report is included.) Direction from this discussion will determine the contents of a draft revised ordinance for Planning Commission review on April 13, 2021.

On November 5, 2019, the City Council approved Ordinance No. 1116/Zoning Ordinance Text Amendment No. 14 – the Home Gardening Ordinance. The City Council requested a one-year review at that time to consider extending home gardening opportunities. The intent of the Home Gardens Ordinance was to offer more home gardening options to serve the needs of Paramount residents.

Gardening Benefits

As a reminder, the following gardening benefits positively serve people, the natural ecosystem, and the community as a whole:

- Residents have access to fresh, healthy food;
- Open space is improved;
- Gardening is a practice that reduces stress and improves mental and physical health;
- Locally produced food contributes to community resilience;
- Children who see or help with gardening are more likely to favor vegetables in their diets;
- Soil quality is enhanced;
- Locally sourced food is less likely to be contaminated from chemicals and microorganisms;
- Increasing the availability of nutritious food combats food insecurity;
- Gardening is a fun social activity that positively engages a community.

Existing Home Gardening Ordinance

The following is a brief summary of regulations in the Home Gardening Ordinance that the City Council adopted in 2019:

- Greenhouses. Regulations for greenhouses in the R-1, R-2, and R-M zones were clarified.
- Side yards in R-1 zone. Food is permitted to be grown in side yards if screened from the public right-of-way and the first story of adjacent properties.
- No home sales. No onsite sales of food grown on the premises are permitted. Food produced from home gardens is intended for personal consumption or possible donation to outside community organizations or food banks.
- Raised garden beds in front yards in the R-2 and R-M zones. As a means of distinguishing vegetable gardens from strictly ornamental landscaping, edible gardens in front yards are required to be located in a raised planter. A raised planter is limited to 24 square feet and requires a five-foot setback from the front property line.
- Front yard plant height in R-2 and R-M zones. With the exception of fruit trees, edible landscaping in front yards in the R-2 and R-M zones cannot exceed a maximum height of three feet measured from the highest point of the frame of a raised garden bed to the highest point of an edible plant.
- Maintenance. Property owners and residents are required to promptly harvest and remove garden vegetables when mature or ripe. Planting areas fallowed between growing seasons need to be covered with mulch or similar material or otherwise maintained in clean condition until the next planting period. Weeds need to be promptly removed. Residents must take appropriate actions to prevent and eliminate pests.
- Permitted nonconforming homes. Home garden regulations also apply to legal nonconforming residentially developed properties in commercial and manufacturing areas.

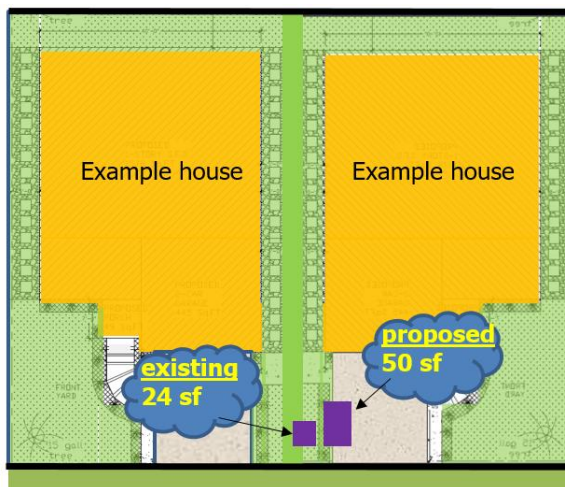
Recommended New Options

In December, the City Council expressed a collective willingness to expand the existing home gardening regulations. Based on that discussion, staff has developed the following recommended changes:

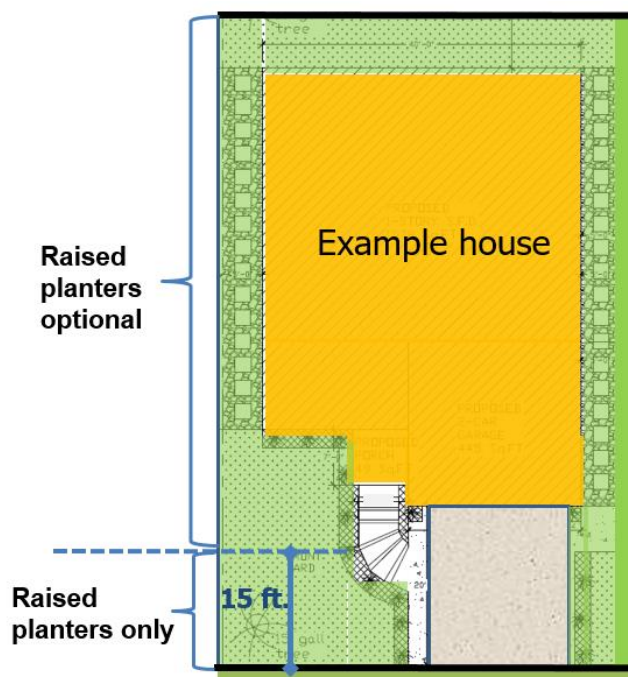
- Hoophouse. Permit hoophouses within residential rear yards. As a “cousin” to a greenhouse, a hoophouse is a structure typically made of piping covered with translucent plastic, constructed in a “half-round” or “hoop” shape. An example is below.



- More home locations. Expand home gardening regulations to explicitly include courtyards and windowsills.
- More residential zones. Expand front yard edible gardens to front yards in R-1 zones and/or PD-PS zones. This change would allow for edible gardens in all residential zones.
- Expand raised garden bed area in front 15 feet. Expand the allowable raised garden bed area from the existing 24 square feet to 50 square feet in the front 15 feet of a property in all residential zones. In a typical 50-foot-wide property, this change would mean up to 50 square feet of raised garden in the front 750 square feet of such a property.



- Remove raised garden requirement for property areas beyond the first 15 feet of the front yard. Allow edible gardens without raised planters in property areas beyond the first 15 feet in the front yard in each residential zone. This change would correspond at minimum to the R-2 and R-M zones as they are two residential zones where edible gardening is now permitted. The graphic below shows the proposed area distinguishing where raised planters would only be optional.



- Front yard plant height. Amend plant height restrictions to allow plants to grow up to five feet in both raised planters and surface planters. This is two more feet over the existing three-foot limit for raised planters.



- Composting. Encourage garden compost with storage requirements to control potential odor, visibility, and infestation issues.
- Other recommendations. As always, additional changes or new choices can be included.

Summary

Food insecurity is usually at a rate of approximately 30% of the Los Angeles County population, but it has grown to 40% as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. The recommended revisions will directly assist Paramount residents now and into the future in combating food insecurity. A more “edible garden friendly” approach will better promote environmental and dietary sustainability and will complement efforts to secure

community garden funding and locations. Furthermore, the Code Enforcement Division of the Public Safety Department has not received any complaints in the last year regarding gardening activities in Paramount.

Next Steps

With input from the City Council regarding changes to home garden regulations, Planning Department staff will prepare a draft ordinance for Planning Commission consideration on April 13, 2021 following City Attorney review. Upon a recommendation from the Planning Commission, the draft ordinance will be introduced for City Council review.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

It is recommended that the City Council receive and file the report and direct staff regarding possible changes to home garden regulations for future Planning Commission and City Council review.



To: Honorable City Council

From: John Moreno, City Manager

By: John Carver, Planning Director
John King, AICP, Assistant Planning Director

Date: December 15, 2020

Subject: HOME GARDENS – ONE-YEAR REVIEW

On November 5, 2019, the City Council approved Ordinance No. 1116, which updated and expanded home garden opportunities in residential zones as well as in legal nonconforming residential properties that are within commercial and manufacturing zones. The City Council requested a follow-up report in one year to assess the possibility of extending home gardening opportunities. The intent of the ordinance adopted last year was to offer more home gardening options to serve the needs of Paramount residents. As the regulations took effect in December 2019, Planning Department staff is pleased to offer a number of additional options at this one-year mark.

Background

The City of Paramount has a long history of supporting urban agriculture such as home gardens, community gardens, and urban farms. Paramount has supported community gardens since they first opened in 1979 at Orange Avenue and Cortland Avenue, and last year the Jefferson STAR Garden became the latest addition. Small farms and nurseries such as Plantasia and Rolling Hills Nursery continue to operate in utility rights-of-way and private property.

As described last year, the benefits of gardening in an urbanized city are numerous, and each takes on even more importance during the current public health and interconnected economic crises. The following gardening benefits positively serve people, the natural ecosystem, and the community as a whole:

- Residents have access to fresh, healthy food;
- Open space is improved;
- Gardening is a practice that reduces stress and improves mental and physical health;
- Locally produced food contributes to community resilience;
- Children who see or help with gardening are more likely to favor vegetables in their diets;
- Soil quality is enhanced;

- Locally sourced food is less likely to be contaminated from chemicals and microorganisms;
- Increasing the availability of nutritious food combats food insecurity;
- Gardening is a fun social activity that positively engages a community.

Home Gardening Ordinance

The following is a summary of regulations in the home gardening ordinance adopted one year ago:

- Greenhouses. Regulations for greenhouses in the R-1, R-2, and R-M zones were clarified. Previously there were no location limitations; the adopted ordinance explicitly restricted greenhouses to the rear of a residence only and introduced a five-foot minimum distance from property lines and other structures. Last year the Planning Commission discussed the possibility of allowing greenhouses nearer to the side property lines than the five-foot setback. The Commissioners agreed to maintain the proposed greenhouse setback regulations as-is upon confirmation from the Building and Safety Manager that the California Building Code requires five feet for safety reasons.
- Side yards in R-1 zone. The previous R-1 zone regulations prohibited edible landscaping in side yards. The amendment approved last year permits food to be grown in side yards if screened from the public right-of-way and the first story of adjacent properties.
- No home sales. Keeping with the spirit of current home occupation regulations, no onsite sales of food grown on the premises are permitted. Food produced from home gardens is intended for personal consumption or possible donation to outside community organizations or food banks.
- Raised garden beds. The City Council approved regulations last year allowing edible gardens in front yards in the R-2 (Medium Density Residential) and R-M (Multiple-Family Residential) zones. Residential properties in the R-1 (Single-Family Residential) and PD-PS (Planned Development with Performance Standards) zones were excluded. As a means of distinguishing vegetable gardens from strictly ornamental landscaping, edible gardens in front yards are now required to be located in a raised planter. The adopted ordinance limits a raised planter to 24 square feet, imposes a five-foot setback from the front property line, and notes acceptable materials. In 2019, the Planning Commission considered alternatives to the proposed raised garden bed area limit of 24 square feet in front yards. One suggestion was to determine a front yard area by percentage rather than a fixed maximum area, but drawbacks mentioned for a percentage-basis included greater measurement difficulties and inequities for smaller properties. The Commissioners eventually came to a consensus to approve the proposed ordinance language without modification but recommend to the City Council that the regulations be reviewed in one year.

- Front yard plant height. With the exception of fruit trees, edible landscaping in front yards in the R-2 and R-M zones cannot exceed a maximum height of three feet measured from the highest point of the frame of a raised garden bed to the highest point of an edible plant. As with raised garden beds, this rule does not apply to residential properties in the R-1 or PD-PS zones.
- Maintenance. Property owners and residents are required to promptly harvest and remove garden vegetables when mature or ripe. Planting areas fallowed between growing seasons need to be covered with mulch or similar material or otherwise maintained in clean condition until the next planting period. Weeds need to be promptly removed. Residents must take appropriate actions to prevent and eliminate pests.
- Permitted nonconforming homes. The home garden regulations also apply to legal nonconforming residentially developed properties in commercial and manufacturing areas.

New Options

- No change option. The City Council could opt to keep the existing regulations as-is.
- Hoophouse. As a “cousin” to a greenhouse, a hoophouse is a structure typically made of piping covered with translucent plastic, constructed in a “half-round” or “hoop” shape. Hoophouses to the rear of a house could be included as a possibility for Paramount residents.
- More home locations. Especially in an urbanized city like Paramount, residents grow plants in a number of creative locations. To make a statement about the validity of various home locations, home gardening regulations can be expanded to explicitly include courtyards, windowsills, rooftops, and walls. As one example on a project-basis, rooftop gardens will be permitted in the upcoming senior housing project on Paramount Boulevard.
- More residential zones. Last year the City Council opted to only allow raised planters in the R-2, R-M, and legal nonconforming residential properties in commercial and manufacturing zones. As noted above, raised garden beds were not permitted in the R-1 (Single-Family Residential) or PD-PS (Planned Development with Performance Standards) zones. The City Council could choose to expand front yard edible gardens to front yards in R-1 zones and/or PD-PS zones through the use of a no-fee permit process. As comparison, properties in PD-PS zones are often smaller than properties in other residential zones.
- Expand raised garden bed area. The allowable raised garden bed area could be expanded beyond the approved 24 square feet by various means – larger defined area; by percentage; or with no limits.

- Remove raised garden requirement for front yards. A more permissible option would be to allow edible gardens in front yard areas not necessarily in raised planters. This change would correspond at minimum to the R-2 and R-M zones as they are two residential zones where edible gardening is now permitted. At the discretion of the City Council, the deletion of the raised garden requirement could also be extended to the R-1 and PD-PS-zoned properties.
- Front yard plant height. Plant height restrictions could be amended to allow plants that grow more than three feet in raised planters.
- Composting. Garden compost could be encouraged through an update to the home garden regulations. Staff could propose storage requirements to control potential odor, visibility, and infestation issues.
- Other recommendations. As always, additional changes or new choices can be included.

Summary

Especially when considering growing issues of food insecurity, staff does not recommend keeping home garden regulations static. Food insecurity is usually at a rate of approximately 30% of the Los Angeles County population, but it has grown to 40% as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. The various alternatives noted above for discussion provide an opportunity to directly assist Paramount residents now and into the future. A more “edible garden friendly” approach will better promote environmental and dietary sustainability and will complement efforts to secure community garden funding and locations. Furthermore, the Code Enforcement Division of the Public Safety Department has not received any complaints in the last year regarding gardening activities in Paramount.

Next Steps

If there are any ambiguities, Planning Department staff can conduct outreach to determine community support of various proposals. With input from the City Council regarding changes to home garden regulations, Planning Department staff will prepare a draft ordinance for Planning Commission and City Council consideration in early 2021 following City Attorney review.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

It is recommended that the City Council receive and file the report and direct staff regarding possible changes to home garden regulations for future Planning Commission and City Council review.

MARCH 16, 2021

ORAL REPORT

OVERVIEW OF SEAACA ANIMAL CONTROL SERVICES



To: Honorable City Council
From: John Moreno, City Manager
By: Heidi Luce, City Clerk
Date: March 16, 2021

Subject: OVERVIEW OF SEAACA ANIMAL CONTROL SERVICES

On behalf of Southeast Area Animal Control Authority (SEAACA), Denise Woodside, Executive Director and Donna Soriano, Manager, Outreach & Community Development will give an oral report providing an overview of the programs and services offered by SEAACA.

MARCH 16, 2021

RESOLUTION NO. 21:007

"A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PARAMOUNT,
CALIFORNIA, SUPPORTING EFFORTS TO DECLARE THE FIRST MONDAY
IN MARCH AS NATIONAL COVID MEMORIAL DAY"

MOTION IN ORDER:

READ BY TITLE ONLY AND ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 21:007.

MOTION:

MOVED BY: _____

SECONDED BY: _____

[] APPROVED

[] DENIED

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: _____

NOES: _____

ABSENT: _____

ABSTAIN: _____



To: Honorable City Council

From: John Moreno, City Manager

By: David Johnson, Community Services & Recreation Director

Date: March 16, 2021

Subject: RESOLUTION NO. 21:007: SUPPORTING EFFORTS TO DECLARE THE FIRST MONDAY IN MARCH AS NATIONAL COVID MEMORIAL DAY

A year after COVID-19 began affecting communities across the United States, a growing national effort to have the first Monday in March proclaimed each year as National COVID Memorial Day is beginning to take shape. Many cities around the country, including several in California are supporting efforts to make this a national day of recognition. There are also multiple non-profits that are advocating for this as well. A growing number of U.S. mayors are sponsoring a U.S. Conference of Mayors Resolution to recognize March 1 as National COVID Memorial Day.

Resolution No. 21:007 identifies that the City of Paramount supports joining the U.S. Conference of Mayors in their efforts to recognize the loss of life caused by the COVID-19 pandemic and the establishment of a National COVID Memorial Day annually on the first Monday in March. Additionally, it directs staff to support any non-profits and advocacy groups that are working toward the establishment of a National COVID Memorial Day by registering on their websites in support of this cause.

We will continue working towards our own specific memorial activities to be held this year, as directed by City Council. We will be returning at the April 6, 2021 City Council meeting with a summary of the City Council's priorities from our proposed list of memorial options along with associated costs for review and approval.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

It is recommended that the City Council read by title only and adopt Resolution No. 21:007.

CITY OF PARAMOUNT
LOS ANGELES COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

RESOLUTION NO. 21:007

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PARAMOUNT
SUPPORTING EFFORTS TO DECLARE THE FIRST MONDAY IN
MARCH AS NATIONAL COVID MEMORIAL DAY

WHEREAS, COVID-19 (SARS-CoV-2) is an illness caused by a virus that can transmit from person to person and has spread across the world, creating a global pandemic that is having catastrophic effects on human life, our community, and our economy; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Paramount has the highest adjusted death rate and the second highest adjusted rate of COVID positivity among our neighboring communities; and

WHEREAS, To mitigate the spread of COVID-19, the observance of public health orders to social distance and stay at home have created challenges for Paramount's small businesses, workers, schools and other important institutions which are working to comply with limited resources; and,

WHEREAS, School districts, teachers, students, and parents are grappling with the challenges of distance learning and working to prevent any potential learning loss; and,

WHEREAS, In response to rapid spread of COVID-19 and stay-at-home orders, essential workers in the public and private sector have stepped up to provide critical services to help protect our communities and save lives; and,

WHEREAS, COVID-19 has had a disproportionate impact on low-income communities and communities of color, exacerbating existing inequities in health care access; and,

WHEREAS, The symptoms and severity of COVID-19 can vary dramatically by individual and the long-term health implications for survivors is largely unknown, as many survivors suffer with lingering side-effects of the disease long after they no longer test positive; and,

WHEREAS, More than 2.54 million people worldwide and 519,014 in the United States have lost their lives due to COVID-19, more than the number of Americans lost to World War II and, in the City of Paramount alone, more than 127 lives have been lost to this deadly virus; and,

WHEREAS, Each life lost to COVID-19 deeply affected family members, neighbors, and the community in general. As COVID-19 restrictions made it difficult to mourn and say goodbye to family members that succumbed to the disease, it is important and necessary to commemorate the lives taken away by this pandemic and provide an opportunity for reflection and healing in our community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PARAMOUNT AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The above recitations are true and correct.

SECTION 2. The City of Paramount joins other cities, organizations, and individuals in supporting the U.S. Conference of Mayors in remembering and mourning the loss of our family members, friends, neighbors, and community members to COVID-19 through the establishment of a National COVID Memorial Day that would occur annually on the first Monday in March; and.

SECTION 3. Directs City staff to support other non-profits and advocacy groups encouraging the establishment of a National COVID Memorial Day.

SECTION 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

PASSED, APPROVED, and ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Paramount this 16th day of March 2021.

Peggy Lemons, Mayor

ATTEST:

Heidi Luce, City Clerk

MARCH 16, 2021

NEIGHBORHOOD PERMIT PARKING REQUEST FOR 8056 AND 8102
ROSECRANS AVENUE

MOTION IN ORDER:

AUTHORIZE NEIGHBORHOOD PERMIT PARKING FOR PARCELS 8056
AND 8102 ROSECRANS AVENUE, WHICH WILL BE EFFECTIVE
IMMEDIATELY.

<u>MOTION:</u>	<u>ROLL CALL VOTE:</u>
MOVED BY: _____	AYES: _____
SECONDED BY: _____	NOES: _____
[] APPROVED	ABSENT: _____
[] DENIED	ABSTAIN: _____



To: Honorable City Council

From: John Moreno, City Manager

By: Adriana Lopez, Public Safety Director
Anthony Martinez, Management Analyst II

Date: March 16, 2021

Subject: NEIGHBORHOOD PERMIT PARKING REQUEST FOR 8056 AND 8102 ROSECRANS AVENUE

Background

On October 6, 2020, the City Council voted to adopt Resolution No. 20:029, which amended the existing procedures for establishing Neighborhood Permit parking in the City. Resolution No. 20:029 allows for staff initiated requests for Neighborhood Permit parking for areas with existing Neighborhood Permit parking and proposed areas affected by significant factors.

Discussion

On April 7, 2015, the City Council approved Neighborhood Permit parking for the 14300 block of Orizaba Avenue and the 8100 block of 144th Street under Ordinance No. 1057 (Attachment A). At the time of adoption, the corner parcels of 8056 and 8102 Rosecrans Avenue were not included as part of the permit parking area.

On February 24, 2021, staff received a permit-parking request from a resident at 8102 Rosecrans Avenue who expressed interest in qualifying for permit parking. Resolution No. 20:029 allows authority for the Public Safety Director to recommend to the City Council approval or denial of Neighborhood Permit parking if residents of a parcel adjacent to an existing permit parking area experience negative parking effects.

Analysis

Under Ordinance No. 1057, parcels 8056 and 8102 Rosecrans Avenue do not qualify for permit parking; however, staff identified that both parcels are adjacent to an existing permit parking area, and may experience negative parking effects against the residents and their guests by excluding them from the permit parking area (Attachment B).

Staff also determined that adding parcels 8056 and 8102 Rosecrans Avenue into the Neighborhood Permit parking program would not create unreasonable negative parking effects to the surrounding neighborhoods of the 14300 block of Orizaba Avenue and the 8100 block of 144th Street.

Proposal

Staff proposes to include parcels 8056 and 8102 Rosecrans Avenue in the Neighborhood Permit Parking program under the criteria authorized by Resolution No. 20:029. This resident initiated request would serve residents at 8056 and 8102 Rosecrans Avenue with their permit parking needs by allowing them to apply for Neighborhood Permit parking in the existing permit-parking area of the 14300 block of Orizaba Avenue and the 8100 block of 144th Street.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

It is recommended that the City Council authorize Neighborhood Permit Parking for parcels 8056 and 8102 Rosecrans Avenue, which will be effective immediately.

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ATTACHMENT A

CITY OF PARAMOUNT
LOS ANGELES COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

ORDINANCE NO. 1057

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
PARAMOUNT ADDING SECTION 29-6.4(h) TO CHAPTER 29,
ARTICLE II OF THE PARAMOUNT MUNICIPAL CODE
REGARDING LIMITING OR STOPPING, STANDING OR
PARKING IN DESIGNATED TOW AWAY ZONES.

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PARAMOUNT DOES HEREBY ORDAIN
AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Section 29-6.4(h) of the Paramount Municipal Code is hereby added to
read as follows:

"A person shall not park or let stand any vehicle, unless such vehicle
displays a permit authorized hereunder on the 14300 block of
Orizaba Avenue and the 8100 block of 144th Street."

SECTION 2. The City Manager, or her designee, is directed to clearly post limited
parking signs effectuating Section 29-6.4(h) to give notice that this Section is in effect.

SECTION 3. Authority. This Ordinance is adopted pursuant to the provisions of
Section 22507 of the California Vehicle Code.

SECTION 4. CEQA. This Ordinance is not subject to the California Environmental
Quality Act ("CEQA") pursuant to §§ 15060 (c) (2) (the activity will not result in a direct or
reasonable foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment) and 15060 (c) (3) the
activity is not a project as defined in § 15378 of the CEQA Guidelines (Title 14, Chapter 3
of the California Code of Regulations) because it has no potential for resulting in physical
change to the environment, directly or indirectly.

SECTION 5. Severability. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, or
portion of this Ordinance is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional by the
decision of any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of
the remaining portions of this Ordinance. The City Council of this City hereby declares that
it would have adopted this Ordinance and each section, subsection, sentence, clause or
phrase, or portion thereof, irrespective of the fact that anyone or more sections,
subsections, clauses, phrases, or portions are declared invalid or unconstitutional.

SECTION 6. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall take full force and effect thirty
(30) days after its adoption.

SECTION 7. The City Clerk shall certify to the adoption of this Ordinance and shall
cause the same to be posted as required by law.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Paramount this 7th
day of April, 2015.


Tom Hanseh, Mayor

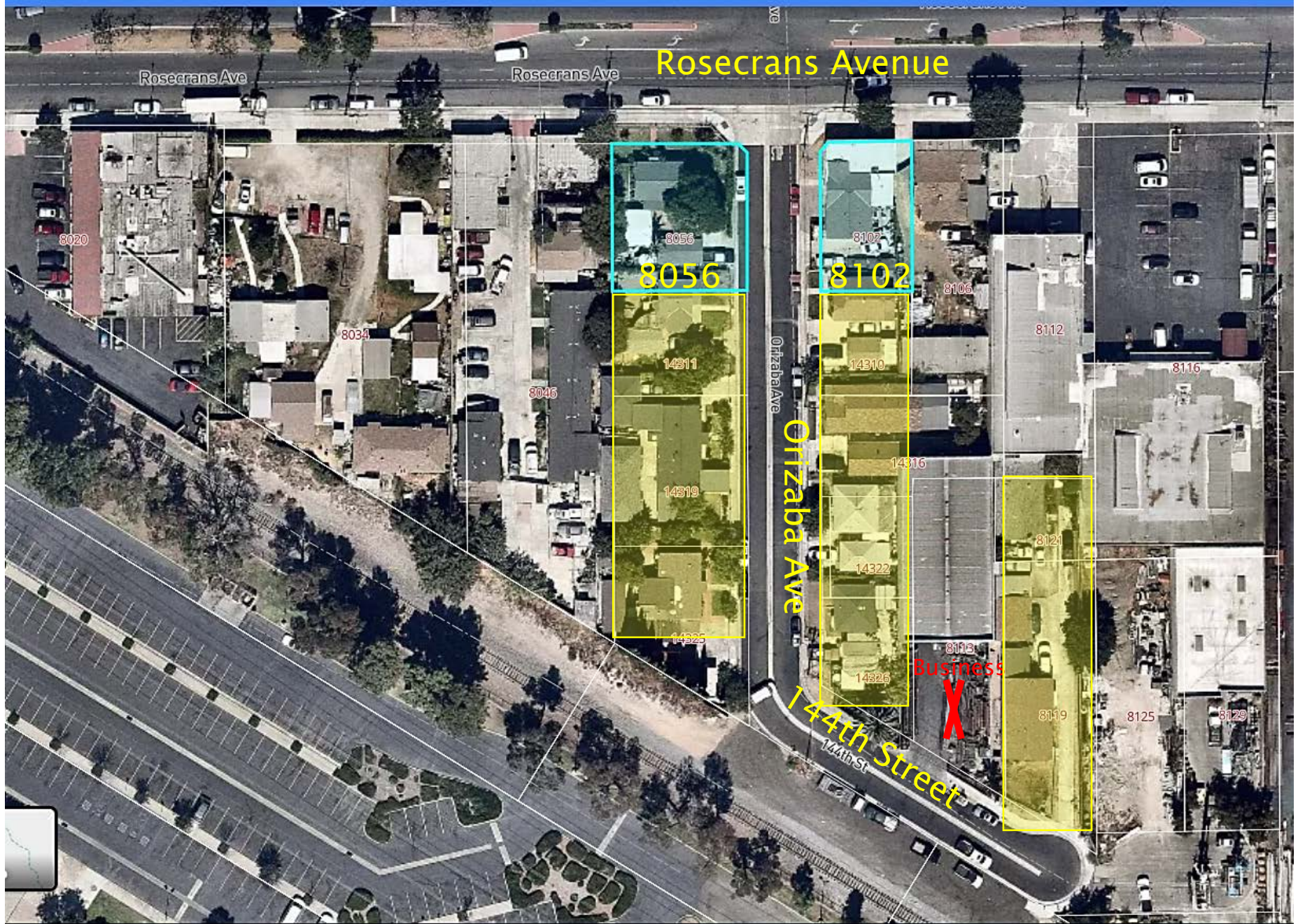
Attest:


Lana Chikami, City Clerk

ATTACHMENT B

Parcel Map of 8056 and 8102 Rosecrans Avenue

City of Paramount



MARCH 16, 2021

ORAL REPORT

REVIEW OF COMMUNITY SERVICES & RECREATION PROGRAMING



To: Honorable City Council

From: John Moreno, City Manager

By: David Johnson, Community Services & Recreation Director

Date: March 16, 2021

Subject: REVIEW OF COMMUNITY SERVICES & RECREATION PROGRAMING

This oral report will provide a review of the upcoming and current programs offered by the Community Services & Recreation Department.

MARCH 16, 2021

REPORT

DILLS PARK MINI-PITCH PILOT RESERVATION PROGRAM



To: Honorable City Council

From: John Moreno, City Manager

By: David Johnson, Community Services & Recreation Director

Date: March 16, 2021

Subject: DILLS PARK MINI-PITCH PILOT RESERVATION PROGRAM

Background

The Community Services and Recreation Department was approached by the US Soccer Foundation last year regarding a grant opportunity to construct a mini-pitch soccer court. The City identified Dills Park as the perfect location for a mini-pitch because the north end of the field was large enough to accommodate a mini-pitch court as well as keep a large grass area available for park use. This location was already being used primarily by soccer groups and the mini-pitch would provide a dedicated space for soccer play. Acceptance of the grant required City Council approval to construct a concrete pad. Once the item was approved, construction began at Dills Park in the area that lies between San Carlos St. and the Rio Puente Mobile Home Park. The mini-pitch is being constructed with the hopes that residents would use the mini-pitch for all soccer play, thereby minimizing damage and wear to the turf areas.

Pilot Program

To address the concerns regarding the mini-pitch drawing outside users and creating parking issues for the neighborhood, staff has developed a mini-pitch pilot reservation program that will give priority to residents who live in this area. Half-hour to 1-hour reservation time slots will be available to families and players of all ages within walking distance of the mini pitch court and will be at no cost. However, the applicant must be 18 years or older and will be responsible for under-age players participating in reserved use. If residents 18 years or older have an account with the City they can call the Recreation office to reserve a time slot. If it is their first time, they will need to contact the Recreation Office to create an account with a driver's license and a current utility bill to prove they reside in close proximity to Dills Park.

Reservation times will be available Monday through Friday from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. and on weekends from 12 noon to 5 p.m. Reservations will need to be made in advance and City Recreation staff will be onsite one hour prior to the first reservation of the day and will post upcoming reservation time slots and be present during all reservation times to ensure accessibility of the court to the group with the reservation. Staff will monitor reservation requests to limit the number of reservations by any particular group that may be monopolizing time slots. Outside of any reserved times, the Dills Park mini-pitch will be available and open for the general public to use.

The ability to reserve times for the mini-pitch will be marketed directly to the neighborhood within walking distance of the mini-pitch. The pilot program will be in effect for 3 months to identify any issues or concerns that arise and determine whether there is a demand for reserved times from the neighborhood.

This proposed pilot reservation program was reviewed by the Parks and Recreation Commission at its February 17, 2021 meeting. The Commission was in support of this pilot program.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

It is recommended that the City Council receive and file the Dills Park Mini-Pitch Pilot Reservation Program report.

MARCH 16, 2021

REPORT

SUMMARY OF HANDBALL IN PARAMOUNT AND PROPOSED
ROOSEVELT HANDBALL COURTS PILOT RESERVATION PROGRAM



To: Honorable City Council
From: John Moreno, City Manager
By: David Johnson, Community Services & Recreation Director
Date: March 16, 2021

Subject: SUMMARY OF HANDBALL IN PARAMOUNT AND PROPOSED ROOSEVELT HANDBALL COURTS PILOT RESERVATION PROGRAM

Background

As background on the history of handball courts in the City of Paramount, prior to 2000, the City of Paramount had handball courts at Ralph C. Dill's Park, Paramount Park and Roosevelt School. In 2001, the Ralph C. Dill's Park Handball Courts were demolished due to public safety concerns and constant vandalism. When the Ralph C. Dill's Park Handball Courts were demolished, six handball courts remained at Paramount Park and two handball courts remained at Roosevelt School.

Paramount Park Handball Courts

The configuration of the handball courts at Paramount Park consisted of 3 south-facing and 3 north-facing courts back-to-back with each other. In 2002, it was determined that the three south-facing handball courts at Paramount Park were needed to serve as storage for the youth athletic groups that utilize Paramount Park. While the storage needs were real, the south-facing courts also posed public safety concerns due to a variety of conflicts between the south courts users and families watching youth baseball at the P.H.S. West ballfield. The three south-facing handball courts at Paramount Park were filled with six storage bins and enclosed with chain link fencing for security; the three north courts remained open for use.

In November of 2012, a public meeting was conducted at the Paramount Park Community Center to discuss the possibility of demolishing the remaining three north-facing handball courts at Paramount Park due to a number of public safety concerns. Approximately fifty patrons of the Paramount Park handball courts, many of which were not Paramount residents, attended the meeting and voiced their displeasure at the possibility of the handball courts being demolished. After the public meeting, it was decided the handball courts demolition would require further time to review.

In July of 2014, Mr. Alex Yanez scheduled a meeting with the Recreation Department to discuss the possibility of opening the enclosed south handball courts at Paramount Park as he felt the south courts were needed due to the demand of patrons waiting for vacant courts to play. During this meeting and with previous meetings, Mr. Yanez expressed a

desire to upgrade the courts and to return the south-facing courts to handball play. The City had at least once during this time period provided a fresh coat of paint to the court lines as well as updated the light fixtures to provide better illumination. Over these years, the City was constantly removing graffiti and conducting maintenance related to urine and defecation issues. Public Safety, along the same lines was providing patrol checks to address issues at the courts and would often run license plates to determine residency of the players which more often than not had a majority of players from outside the City using the courts. City Recreation staff, particularly female staff, often reported verbal abuse from the players when they had to venture into that area of the park.

The Recreation Department requested a statistical summary on the law enforcement activity occurring at the Paramount Park Handball Courts from January 2012 through November 2014. The analysis showed the following:

- Patrol Checks: 85
- Calls for Service: 1
- Robbery: 1
- Assault: 1
- Narcotics (Marijuana): 4
- Narcotics (Methamphetamine): 1
- Public Intoxication (Alcohol): 8
- Total Arrests: 13

During the summer of 2015, the Recreation Department conducted a survey of park users regarding the handball courts which consisted of handball players, Day Camp parents, PJAA parents, swim lesson parents, and other park users. Overall, we received 222 responses to our survey. The survey was conducted over a 3 week period and we received responses in both English and Spanish. While we received some positive comments in support of the handball courts, the negative comments and concerns widely outnumbered the positive comments, with many calling for the removal of the handball courts. Some of the comments include "...there is a lot of drug sellers and drunk guys;" "...is unsafe for a mother with small children"; and "I am disgusted the city has not taken them down yet..."

After staff carefully reviewed the use and concerns with the handball courts and the growing need for soccer facilities, the City determined futsal courts would be an asset to help address the lack of soccer space and be a better use of the area at the east end of Paramount Park. In December 2015, the Parks and Recreation Commission reviewed the issues associated with the handball courts and the staff recommendation to replace them with another recreation amenity that would serve a larger population of residents. There were four community members in attendance for the meeting. The Commission supported the idea of replacing the handball courts with 2 futsal courts.

Following a period where funds for this repurposing of the handball courts were identified, the Paramount City Council authorized on October 4, 2016 the construction of

two futsal courts at Paramount Park to replace the existing handball courts. The construction of the futsal courts was completed in May 2017.

Handball Courts at Village Park and Proposition 68 Competitive Grants

During a period in 2018, City staff worked directly with Mr. Yanez to develop design and construction drawings to assist the City in competing for a Proposition 68 grant to construct new handball courts along the south wall of Village Skatepark. The City invested a little more than \$44,000 in concept and construction plan design to make this a more viable project for the grant application. The City submitted a grant in August 2019 for the Village Park Handball Court project in the approximate amount of \$700,000. We were notified in February 2020 that this project did not receive Proposition 68 funding. Shortly after this, Mayor Lemons sent to Mr. Yanez a letter notifying him of our unsuccessful attempt at seeking funding for this project (letter attached).

Adult Sports Survey

To assist staff with current (e.g., the Paramount Cup Adult Sports Program) and potential adult sports programming, we surveyed the community regarding their thoughts on adult sports at the October 2019 Friday Night Market (FNM) and the Halloween Festival and narrowed the responses down to only those that identified themselves as Paramount residents for a total of 64 responses. We also sent an email survey to 3,774 residents that provided us their contact information to receive Nixel communications and Around Town e-newsletters. We sent the original email out on October 25th and then sent a follow-up email to non-respondents on November 4th. We received 528 resident responses to the email survey. Overall, through the email survey and through the FNM and the Halloween Festival, we received 592 responses to our survey on adult sports. From these resident responses, the following information was provided:

1. Are you interested in adult sports? – 56% said yes
2. Have you heard of the Paramount Cup program? – 13% said yes
3. Which adult sports would they like to play? The results in order of preference were:
 - Soccer – 48%
 - Slo-Pitch Softball – 48%
 - Basketball – 45%
 - Dodgeball – 26%
 - Handball – 21%
 - Flag Football – 20%
 - Futsal – 16%
 - Other – we did receive write-ins from 23 residents wanting volleyball.

The two dominant vote getters were soccer and slo-pitch softball with basketball a close third. We attributed the low percentage score for futsal to a lack of familiarity with what

the term means as we had a very high percentage of residents indicate that they would like to play soccer.

Adult soccer has always created issues for us as we do not have large park spaces and none of that space is dedicated soccer space. Additionally, adult soccer, especially when they use metal cleats, is highly destructive to natural turf and maintenance becomes a problem. We currently do not allow adult soccer leagues to operate on our parks though we randomly see them pop-up in places and we address the non-permitted use. We do not, however, prevent neighborhood groups from using park space not already permitted to another program for recreational soccer. The problem is that most of our park space is usually permitted for youth sport activities which has always been the priority that the City Council has established for us, given our limit resources. We have applied in the past through Proposition 84 and Proposition 68 for grant funds to convert existing park field space to artificial turf soccer space which could more readily accommodate adult soccer and youth soccer. The artificial and natural turf fields at Salud Park, unfortunately, cannot be dedicated to soccer as this is specifically prohibited by the agreement with Southern California Edison, though this is typically the recreational use you will see on these fields; we just cannot formally permit it for this type of use.

Regarding the desire for our community for slo-pitch softball, we attempted a pilot adult co-ed softball league last year but we were not successful in obtaining enough teams to operate a league. We will be attempting an adult softball league again as soon as COVID-19 restrictions are removed. We continue to offer adult recreational basketball use at a number of parks throughout the City that have basketball courts. We also open the Paramount Gym during the summer and spring break for adult recreational play (16 years of age and older).

Roosevelt Handball Courts

Roosevelt School has four handball courts built and maintained by the city. They are located adjacent to the ballfields near the middle of the campus and cannot currently be accessed for open public use Monday through Friday because of normal school sessions, the STAR after-school program, and other sports programming that occurs at Roosevelt School. The Roosevelt handball courts are available for weekend use based on available scheduling at the site. However, we have not received a request to do so in over a decade.

In an attempt to offer residents the opportunity to play handball in the City, staff reached out to the Paramount Unified School District for specific weekend use of the handball courts at Roosevelt Elementary School as part of the joint-use agreement between the City and District. We reached out to known handball players in the City in 2019, including Mr. Yanez and other players he provided, to offer staff-supervised use of the Roosevelt Courts on weekends. The courts were opened and supervised by City staff for four hours on Saturdays and Sundays. We offered this usage on October 5-6, November 9-10, November 23-24, December 7-8, and again on January 25, 2020 and

February 8, 2020. During those 10 days we offered use of the Roosevelt handball courts for usage, only 9 people in total participated.

City staff did meet with a handball-playing Paramount resident to review the condition of the courts at Roosevelt and he provided suggestions on how the courts could be improved. This particular resident supported the idea of having the Roosevelt Courts open for registered use and felt that the courts were more than adequate for recreational play. Additionally, he identified that he and other local players often use the handball courts in South Gate and Cerritos and felt that a lack of courts in Paramount was not an obstacle to being able to play locally. Additionally, there are handball courts in the City of Long Beach.

We are planning to continue to offer use of the Roosevelt handball courts, once COVID-19 restrictions are removed, for weekend use from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. but based on a reservation system. We will not be offering weekday use because of the ongoing use of this site for the STAR all day, day care program and other permitted uses by PYSO and West Coast Rebels youth sports leagues during the week.

Roosevelt Handball Court Pilot Reservation Program

Similar to a facility rental application, the Roosevelt Handball Courts would be offered through a reservation system available to Paramount residents. All ages would be able to use the courts, but in order to reserve the courts, the applicant would have to be over the age of 18 years of age and be responsible for any under-age users on the court. A reservation could be made for no more than 1 hour at a time. City staff would open the gate to the courts, open restrooms and supervise the use of the courts.

To reach as many residents as possible, this new pilot program will be publicized on the City's social media accounts (Facebook, Twitter and Instagram) as well as posted on the City website. A flyer and short video about the pilot program will be created to inform residents about the new program. The application will be added to the website so that it is easily accessible, as well as paper copies available at the Community Center and Recreation Office. This pilot program will be in place for three months. After the three months have ended, staff will evaluate use and determine if the program should be a permanent part of the department's facility rentals.

This proposed pilot reservation program was reviewed by the Parks and Recreation Commission at its February 17, 2021 meeting. The Commission was in support of this pilot program.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

It is recommended that the City Council receive and file the Summary of handball in Paramount and Roosevelt Handball Courts Pilot Reservation Program report.



PEGGY LEMONS
Mayor

BRENDA OLMOS
Vice Mayor

ISABEL AGUAYO
Councilmember

LAURIE GUILLEN
Councilmember

VILMA CUELLAR STALLINGS
Councilmember

May 15, 2020

Mr. Alex Yanez

Paramount, CA 90723

Dear Mr. Yanez,

Thank you for making your comments at the May 5th Paramount City Council meeting. Your continuing involvement in the respectful and open public discourse about issues in our City is very much appreciated.

Regarding your question about State Proposition 68 grant funds for, among other projects, the handball courts at Village Park, no funding was awarded to Paramount by the State of California. The process for applying for Proposition 68 funding is very competitive, and very difficult to succeed at. The majority of entities across the State are not awarded these funds because of the sheer number of applicants and the relative scarcity of funds.

In this round, for instance, 479 applications were submitted Statewide asking for more than \$2 billion – and only \$254.9 million was available. The City submitted four projects: the Village Handball Courts, expansion of the Paramount Senior Center, development of Salud Park II, and development of soccer/softball fields at Progress Park. We worked hard on the application and even hired a professional grant consultant to help us write the application. We actually scored well in the process. Ultimately, though, the numbers were against us.

For the next round of Proposition 68 applications, we will review all projects of importance to the Paramount community, including the handball courts.

That you follow your passion about handball, and voice your opinions, shows how much you care about Paramount, as we all do. The City has a long record of engagement with you in this area, even including your suggestions in the design and construction plans for the Village Park handball courts, on which we spent, incidentally, \$44,000.

As you know, we recently opened the handball courts at Roosevelt School over ten weekend days. Even with consistent public outreach, use of the courts was scarce – a total of nine folks during that time. This, of course, begs the question as to the general

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level of interest our residents may have in handball. Still, we plan to explore with the Paramount Unified School District the viability of renovating the courts to improve their usability.

In regards to your inquiry about adult sports, the City has made many efforts in the past to explore the expansion of adult sports programs, including surveying the community for their favorites. Ultimately, there has not been a very strong demand exhibited in this area.

We do continue to operate open-gym hours at Paramount Park during spring and summer breaks for basketball. Over the last 24 months we have put considerable effort into engaging the adult community in sports, including holding an adult program called the Paramount Cup. This featured tournaments of flag football, futsal, 3 on 3 basketball, and dodgeball. While it started off well, interest slowly faded. We used a number of venues to robustly advertise this program:

- Direct mailer to every resident in the City;
- Flyers distributed at City facilities and community events;
- Several social media posts;
- Consistent information on the City's website; and,
- Interactive promotional videos and more.

Still, the adult sports program was not able to sustain interest. We also tried to start an adult softball league, and didn't get enough signups to run it. We remain committed to doing everything we can to address the needs of our community.

So, Mr. Yanez, I hope this information is helpful to you. Thank you, again, for your interest and engagement.

CITY OF PARAMOUNT

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Peggy Lemons
Mayor

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MARCH 16, 2021

REPORT

GENERAL PLAN ANNUAL PROGRESS REPORT – CALENDAR YEAR
2020



To: Honorable City Council

From: John Moreno, City Manager

By: John Carver, Planning Director
John King, AICP, Assistant Planning Director

Date: March 16, 2021

Subject: GENERAL PLAN ANNUAL PROGRESS REPORT – CALENDAR YEAR 2020

Background

This item is the General Plan Annual Progress Report on the status of the Paramount General Plan as required by California Government Code Section 65400. The report summarizes the 2020 calendar year and anticipates the 2021 calendar year. The Government Code requires the planning agency of each jurisdiction in California to report annually to the legislative body (City Council), the Governor's Office of Planning and Research (OPR), and the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) its progress in implementing the various elements of the General Plan.

Every city and county in California is required to have in place a general plan, which serves as the comprehensive blueprint for the future and establishes goals to meet a particular vision. A general plan is a long-range planning document and generally looks 15 to 20 years into the future. The State requires local general plans to consider land use, circulation, housing, noise, safety, conservation, and open space. The Paramount General Plan was first approved in 1969, and the City Council adopted a General Plan update in August 2007. The Paramount General Plan consists of the following elements: Land Use Element, Economic Development Element, Housing Element, Transportation Element, Public Facilities Element, Health and Safety Element, and Resource Management Element. A new element – Environmental Justice Element – is now under preparation and will be incorporated into the General Plan at a later date.

Attached is the Annual Progress Report that demonstrates that the City has been successful in the continued implementation of numerous goals established in the General Plan. A number of important projects and programs were carried out in 2020, and together they continue to make Paramount an attractive and desirable city in which to live and work. While the COVID-19 pandemic posed unexpected and extraordinary challenges during 2020, the City remained committed to the Paramount General Plan. Provided below is a summary of the Annual Progress Report.

Status – Paramount General Plan

Land Use Element. The goals of the Land Use Element include improving the relationship between land and uses and preserving a high standard of living for residents. These goals were accomplished in 2020 through a number of efforts and programs, including the Home Improvement Program and Commercial Rehabilitation Program. Additionally, the City continued to implement a comprehensive ordinance that revised manufacturing zoning regulations. Combined, these revisions are extensive and will help to improve the relationship between land use and the standard of living for residents.

Economic Development Element. The purpose of the Economic Development Element is to improve the physical environment of the City, attract new businesses, and retain existing quality businesses. The Development Review Board helps improve the appearance of the City by ensuring that all private development projects adhere to high quality design guidelines and expectations. Economic Development staff members continue to perform outreach to the business community to promote opportunities for an affirmative business climate. Much of this work is accomplished through a positive working relationship with the Paramount Chamber of Commerce. Economic Development staff is also actively in contact with developers to identify underperforming and outdated sites for reuse and redevelopment. Additionally, staff has targeted sectors of the retail economy that are underrepresented in the City and is vigorously attempting to attract these types of businesses into the community. In response to the COVID-19 public health crisis, the City promptly established a Business Recovery Committee with members from the Chamber of Commerce, Southeast Los Angeles County (SELACO) Workforce Development Board, and the Long Beach Small Business Development Center (SBDC) to coordinate economic recovery efforts. One prominent result of the Committee has been a temporary outdoor dining program (Paramount Al Fresco) that has since expanded eligibility to other business impacted by State and County health directives.

Housing Element. The Housing Element identifies local housing needs and establishes measures to meet those needs. The Housing Element Annual Progress Report fulfills statutory requirements to report certain housing information, including progress in certain rezoning activities, actions taken toward completion of housing element programs, and local efforts to remove governmental constraints to the development of housing. This element must also demonstrate that a city's share of the Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA) will be met through applications, entitlements, permits, and certificates of occupancy. The City's RHNA allocation is 105 units during the 5th Cycle period ending October 2021, and the RHNA allocation for the 6th Cycle (October 2021 to October 2029) is 364 housing units. In 2020, the City Council approved General Plan amendments and zone changes that formally transitioned industrially and commercially-zoned land along Alondra Boulevard (west of Hunsaker Avenue) and Somerset Boulevard (between Indiana Avenue and Downey Avenue) to

residential land uses. During 2020, the Planning Division reviewed and approved 35 applications for a total of 45 housing units, including 33 accessory dwelling units (ADUS). The Building and Safety Division reviewed plans and issued permits for 13 new homes, including 12 ADUs.

Transportation Element. The purpose of the Transportation Element is to provide a safe and efficient circulation system for the City and to promote the safe and efficient movement of people and goods within the City. The Transportation Element describes methods to facilitate traffic improvements. In 2020, the City accomplished this goal through a number of projects, including the following: arterial street resurfacing; annual sidewalk repair and replacement; and the installation of additional signs identifying entrances into the City. Long Beach Transit and Metro provide in-town transit routes that connect to the region. The Elderly Nutrition Program and Dial-A-Ride bus transit services are now an on-demand taxi service through a contract with Administrative Services Cooperative/Fiesta Taxi. City bus transit services to local area colleges are provided through a transit access pass contract with Long Beach Transit. The City continues operation of the Medical Taxi program through a contract with Administrative Services Cooperative/Fiesta Taxi. Additional bicycle infrastructure was installed with bicycle racks required by the Planning Commission and Development Review Board as conditions of approval for conditional use permits and development review applications.

Public Facilities Element. The Public Facilities Element looks at the future needs for water, sewage disposal, waste management, and schools. During the last year, the goals of this element were carried out through the installation of water services and fire hydrants at various locations throughout the City, continued progress with Well 16 on Garfield Avenue, and the purchase and installation of catch basin connector pipe screens.

Health and Safety Element. The Health and Safety Element establishes preparation for disasters, and provides for police and fire services. During 2020, the City continued to provide a high level of police services (through the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department) in addition to other public safety functions – code enforcement, animal control, and emergency preparedness. Substantial resources were redirected in 2020 to combat and minimize effects of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Resource Management Element. Finally, the Resource Management Element of the General Plan examines the preservation of existing parks, the provision of new open space, and recreational and community opportunities for the Paramount community. These goals were carried out in 2020 with numerous citywide programs and improvements including the following: support of the farmers market at Progress Park, the Friday Night Market program (temporarily suspended), holiday events (modified during the pandemic), and various other community events. City staff continued to participate in efforts to revitalize the Los Angeles River, and design work continues with an Active Transportation Program grant from the California Transportation Commission on the extension of the separated bicycle path along the West Santa Ana Branch corridor.

General Plan Update

As noted above, the City Council adopted the most recent General Plan update in 2007. By statute, California cities and counties are required to revise their general plans “periodically,” and jurisdictions traditionally update their general plans every 15 to 20 years. Although that period of time has not passed, many changes in municipal government and social changes in general have occurred rapidly since the 2007 adoption year that lend themselves to introducing a new General Plan in the near future. Widespread examples include a new focus on sustainability in government practices and the broader community, a recent mandate for an Environmental Justice Element for State-designated disadvantaged communities, community-based planning, and the availability and reliance upon grants that are based on updated comprehensive planning. In addition, more locally, the two planned West Santa Ana Branch light rail stations (one in Paramount, one Paramount-adjacent) will require Land Use Element updates with new specific plans.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

It is recommended that the City Council receive and file the calendar year 2020 General Plan Annual Progress Report and direct the City Clerk to file said report with the Governor’s Office of Planning and Research and the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD).



CITY OF PARAMOUNT

GENERAL PLAN ANNUAL PROGRESS REPORT CALENDAR YEAR 2020

Prepared by:
PLANNING DEPARTMENT
March 16, 2021

Date of Annual Progress Report

The Paramount City Council review date of the General Plan Annual Progress Report is March 16, 2021.

Purpose of the Annual Progress Report

Compliance with State law (Section 65400 of the California Government Code) requires the City of Paramount to file an report each year addressing the status of the General Plan and progress toward goals and objectives. The City will provide the Annual Progress Report to the City Council, the Governor's Office of Planning and Research (OPR), and the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD). The annual report provides a means to review the General Plan and determine if changes need to be made in the plan or its implementation. This report addresses the calendar year 2020.

Purpose of the General Plan

The General Plan serves two primary functions. The General Plan provides information, and it states the community's goals, objectives, policies, and implementation measures – the means of achieving the goals and objectives. The General Plan is a public document and is available for all to read and use as needed. Copies are available for review at the Paramount Library and the Planning Department, and a downloadable digital copy is available on the official City website at the following location:

<http://www.paramountcity.com/government/community-development-department/planning-division/general-plan>

The General Plan contains separate elements concerning land use, economic development, housing, transportation/circulation, public facilities, health and safety, and resources. As an informational document, the General Plan describes existing conditions, makes projections, and establishes a vision for the community's future. The General Plan provides the public with valuable details about the City and the direction that it seeks to move. In a community where change is accentuated by rapid growth, there is a need to look ahead and determine the effect of change on the physical, social, and economic structure of the community.

As a policy document, the General Plan establishes guidelines for decisionmakers. Using these guidelines, the City Council, Planning Commission, and other organizations can take a series of steps toward achieving the larger goals of the City. The development decisions of the City are focused through implementation programs contained in the General Plan.

General Plan Implementation

The General Plan holds a sizable amount of weight in the planning and development processes. Zoning and subdivisions are two of the primary implementation programs of the General Plan. State law requires, and the California courts have ruled, that a general plan and zoning must be consistent with each other. Additionally, the State Subdivision Map Act requires decisionmakers to make findings of consistency with the General Plan before approving any subdivision of land. The Capital Improvements Program, Specific Plans, and developer fees are other means to implement the General Plan. Primary responsibility for the Paramount General Plan is with the Planning Department.

Building and Safety Division

The Building and Safety Division of the Planning Department is responsible for administration and enforcement of state and local codes, ordinances, and regulations regarding the construction, alteration, maintenance, and use of privately-owned structures, appurtenances, and land. These regulations include the Building, Green Building Standards, Mechanical, Electrical, and Plumbing codes.

The Building and Safety Division provides a plan check service through a consultant. A plan check engineer confirms structural safety, energy conservation, green technology, fire and life safety, accessibility, and appropriate plumbing, electrical, and mechanical systems. The Building and Safety Division issues building permits and provides information to the public, contractors, and architects on building-related issues. In 2020, building inspectors conducted 7,158 inspections, and the Building and Safety Division issued 399 permits with a total valuation of \$5,100,300.

Planning Division

The Planning Division of the Planning Department administers the City's current and long-range planning programs, monitors relevant Los Angeles County, State, and federal legislation, surveys current land use, and updates the City Zoning Ordinance and General

Plan. This Division provides staff support to the Planning Commission, Development Review Board, and Economic Development Board.

In 2020, the Planning Division reviewed approximately 168 site plans and proposed developments to ensure compliance with zoning and design requirements. Additionally, 22 conditional use permits, 15 development review applications, four zone changes, and four ZOTAs (zoning ordinance text amendments), and one tentative tract map were processed.

The Planning Division also manages the Home Improvement Program and Commercial Rehabilitation Program. The Home Improvement Program (previously known as the Residential Rehabilitation Program) provides grants from federal HOME funds to low-to-moderate income households for home improvements. Four residential projects were completed in 2020 at a total project construction expenditure of \$117,300. The Commercial Rehabilitation Program provides grants from federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds to property owners to complete exterior building improvements and Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) upgrades. One commercial project was finalized in 2020 and two are in the preconstruction phase.

Status of the General Plan

Each element of the General Plan was completed according to the General Plan Guidelines developed and adopted by the Governor's Office of Planning and Research.

1. Land Use Element

The goals of this element include improving the relationship between land and uses; improving the identity of the City through the creation of urban spaces and distinctive City entry points; improving the unity and identity of residential neighborhoods; and the preservation of a high quality of life. The following programs implemented these goals during 2020:

- Zone Change requests. The City processed four zone changes – (1) 6429-6433 72nd Street; (2) 6500-6510 Alondra Boulevard; (3) North side of Somerset Boulevard, including 15016 Indiana Avenue and 8407 Somerset Boulevard to 8439 Somerset Boulevard; (4) 6424, 6432, and 6530 Alondra Boulevard – through the Planning Commission and City Council as required by State law to bring the current zoning map into conformity with the Land Use Element of the General Plan.
- Home Improvement Program. This program continued to protect existing residential neighborhoods.

- Commercial Rehabilitation Program. One façade improvement project – 13913 Paramount Boulevard – was completed in 2020.
- Zoning Ordinance Text Amendments. Staff prepared three amendments to the Zoning Ordinance (Title 17 of the Paramount Municipal Code). The amendments include establishing regulations for indoor recreation in manufacturing zones, allowing indoor recreation in the Clearwater East Specific Plan area, regulations for art in public places on private land citywide, and allowing digital pricing on service station monument signs and establishing regulations for digital window signs in commercial and manufacturing zones citywide.

2021 Programs:

- General Plan Amendments and Zone Change requests. Responding to applications to amend the land use and zoning maps, the City will process such requests through the Planning Commission and City Council as required by State law to bring the current zoning map into conformity with the Land Use Element of the General Plan.
- Home Improvement Program. Continue to protect existing residential neighborhoods by preventing blight and improving the physical appearance of these neighborhoods through this program.
- Commercial Rehabilitation Program. Two new projects are expected to be completed in 2021.
- Gateway signs. The Public Works Department will continue to install updated City of Paramount identification signs by upgrading existing signs at the Civic Center.

2. Economic Development Element

The goals of this element include the use of design guidelines to improve the physical environment; the removal of blight; the improvement of the City's infrastructure; and the attraction of sales tax generating businesses. The following programs were implemented to meet the goals of this Element during the 2020 period:

- Design review. Continued to utilize design review to improve the physical environment of the City.
- Business attraction and retention. Continued to attract new businesses into the community and improve retail shopping and restaurant options for residents of the City. Engaged the business community through contacts with

employers and brokers. Established a Business Recovery Committee to address existing and potential economic and workforce losses caused by the COVID-19 pandemic.

- Water systems. Replaced water valves and meters at various locations in the City, and continued development of a new water well on Garfield Avenue.
- Signs. The Public Works Department continued work to produce new City monument signs to further identify Paramount.

2021 Programs:

- Design review. Continue to utilize design review to improve the physical environment of the City.
- Business attraction and retention. Continue to attract new businesses into the community and improve retail shopping and restaurant options for residents of the City. Continue to engage the business community. Continue to actively work with business/retail owners to achieve City beautification efforts.
- Water systems. Continue to replace water valves and meters at various locations in the City as well as continued development of a new water well.
- Marketing. Continue to utilize branding, marketing, and communication efforts that continually promote the business community, including the promotion of Downtown Paramount as the core of the Central Business District. Develop and promote the newly established Explore Paramount platform to promote local business.

3. Transportation Element

The purpose of the Transportation Element is to provide a safe and efficient circulation system for the City and to promote the safe and efficient movement of people and goods within the City. The Transportation Element describes methods to facilitate traffic improvements. The following programs implemented the goals of this Element:

2020 Programs:

- Transit Taxes and CDBG Funds. The City continued to facilitate traffic improvements through funding from Transit Taxes and Community Development Block Grants.
- Fixed-route Transit. Long Beach Transit and Metro provide in-town transit routes that connect to the region.

- Elderly Nutrition Transit services. In the previous year, the City transitioned all City bus transit services to the Elderly Nutrition Program to on-demand taxi services through a contract with Administrative Services Cooperative/Fiesta Taxi.
- College Transit services. City bus transit services to local area colleges are with a transit access pass contract with Long Beach Transit.
- Dial-A-Ride and Medical Taxi programs. The previous year, the City transitioned all City bus services for Dial-A-Ride to on-demand taxi services through a contract with Administrative Services Cooperative/Fiesta Taxi. The City continued operation of the Medical Taxi program through a contract with Administrative Services Cooperative/Fiesta Taxi.
- Bellflower-Paramount Bike and Trail Master Plan. In 2015, the City Council adopted a bicycle master plan that allows for grant funding to complete a bicycle path along the West Santa Ana Branch corridor to connect the Los Angeles River with the San Gabriel River. The plan identifies other bicycle paths for future implementation and recommends bicycle infrastructure for private development. Following adoption of the plan, the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) awarded Active Transportation Program (ATP) grant funding for construction of the Somerset Boulevard to Rosecrans Avenue segment.
- Bicycle racks. Businesses installed additional bicycle racks as conditions of approval of conditional use permits approved by the Planning Commission and development review applications of the Development Review Board.
- West Santa Ana Branch transit. The City, as a member of the Eco-Rapid Transit joint powers authority and through direct contact with Metro, continued advocating for superior light rail stations in the West Santa Ana Branch corridor and for protection to neighboring properties, residential tenants, and businesses along the planned route.

2021 Programs:

- Transit taxes and CDBG funds. The City continues to facilitate traffic improvements through funding from transit taxes and Community Development Block Grants (CDBG).
- Paramount in Motion. Paramount in Motion is the name given to the partnership between the City, Long Beach Transit (LBT), Fiesta Taxi, and Metro Los Angeles. Routes are operated by Long Beach Transit such as routes 21A, 21B, 22, and 71 and existing Metro lines.
- Paramount University Pass (PUP). Paramount students are eligible to receive the “PUP” card which provides students with unlimited travel on Long Beach Transit and Metro bus routes to nearby college campuses.

- Elderly Nutrition Transit Services. The City continued operation of transit services to the Elderly Nutrition Program through a contract with Administrative Services Cooperative/Fiesta Taxi.
- Dial-A-Ride and Medical Taxi programs. The City continued operation of the Dial-A-Ride and Medical Taxi programs through a contract with Administrative Services Cooperative/Fiesta Taxi.
- Dial-A-Lift (DAL). Dial-A-Lift offers curb-to-curb, shared-ride transit service exclusively for those who are mobility impaired, reside in the City of Paramount, are at least 18 years of age, and are unable to board or access the LBT buses. This service is only available for Paramount residents traveling throughout the cities of Paramount, Long Beach, Lakewood, and Signal Hill.
- Bellflower-Paramount Bike and Trail Master Plan. The City will continue implementing the Bellflower-Paramount Bike and Trail Master Plan.
- Bicycle racks. Businesses will continue installing bicycle infrastructure as conditions of approval of conditional use permits and development review applications.
- West Santa Ana Branch transit. The City, as a member of the Eco-Rapid Transit joint powers authority, will continue advocating for superior light rail stations in the West Santa Ana Branch corridor. The City is working to ensure environmental impacts are minimal.

4. Public Facilities Element

The goals of the Public Facilities Element include the examination of the needs for public facilities, which are comprised of water, sewage, waste management, schools, libraries, and health care facilities. During the 2020 period, the following programs implemented these goals.

- Schools. The City continued its strong working relationship with Paramount Unified School District (PUSD) and continued leading the Paramount Education Partnership (P.E.P.). The City continued to support the Youth Commission. Both the City and PUSD continued to support our Joint Use Agreement that allows City facilities to be used to support PUSD needs for recreational school space and meeting space and allows PUSD facilities to be used to support City needs for additional athletic space.
- Water. Continued water improvements will be made at various locations throughout the City, and continued efforts to complete construction of a new water well (Well 16). Drought tolerant landscaping was installed in additional street medians.
- Green Waste Recycling Program. The City continued the Green Waste Recycling Program.

2021 Programs:

- Schools. The City will continue its strong working relationship with the School District and leading the Paramount Education Partnership. The Youth Commission will continue meeting. The support of the Joint Use Agreement will continue.
- Water. Continued local improvements will be made at various locations throughout the City, and the development of Well 16 will continue. Drought tolerant landscaping was installed on the medians on Rosecrans Boulevard. The Planning Department will continue implementing drought tolerant landscaping requirements for private development.
- Green Waste Recycling program. The City will continue the Green Waste Recycling Program.

5. Health and Safety Element

The goals of the Health and Safety Element are to prepare for natural disasters to minimize loss of life and damage to property; ensure the functioning of vital public services in a disaster; provide fire and police services; and preserve acceptable noise levels within the community. These goals were implemented through the following programs during the 2020 period:

- Disaster preparedness. The City continued to train all employees in disaster response duties. On March 17, 2020, the City Council ratified the Proclamation of Emergency by the Director of Emergency Services Due to the Spread of a Severe Acute Respiratory Illness Caused by Coronavirus a Novel (New) Coronavirus ("COVID-19"). Significant financial and staffing resources were redirected throughout the year to combat local health and economic impacts of the pandemic. City staff dutifully served as disaster workers.
- Public Safety. The City continued code enforcement efforts to reduce fire and other hazards at blighted/dilapidated properties. The City also continued to require all new development to comply with established fire safety standards, including sprinkler systems and smoke detectors, where appropriate. The City also coordinated with the South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) to reduce emissions of toxic air contaminants and nuisance odors.
- Police services. The City continued its high level of police service in the community, and will continue to operate the Good Neighbor Program. Neighborhood Watch efforts continued.
- Noise component. The City continued to enforce its Noise Ordinance to ensure that sensitive receptors are not negatively affected by noise levels.

- Animal control. The City continued to provide a high level of animal control services contracted through the Southeast Area Animal Control Authority (SEAACA).

2021 Programs:

- Disaster preparedness. City staff will continue to serve as disaster workers until the conclusion of the local emergency related to the COVID-19 pandemic. The City will continue to train all employees in disaster response duties and will continue to complete mandated FEMA training. The City will also conduct emergency exercises on a regular basis.
- Public Safety. The City's Code Enforcement Officers will complete training to ensure they have knowledge of fire codes. The City will continue code enforcement efforts to reduce fire and other hazards at blighted and dilapidated properties. The City will also continue to require all new development to comply with established fire safety standards, including sprinkler systems and smoke detectors, where appropriate. The City will continue multipronged efforts to combat fugitive toxic air emissions and nuisance odors.
- Police services. The City will continue its high level of police service in the community, and will continue to operate the Good Neighbor Program. Neighborhood Watch efforts continue.
- Noise component. The City will continue to enforce its Noise Ordinance to ensure that sensitive receptors are not negatively affected by noise levels.
- Animal control. The City will continue to provide a high level of animal control services through the Southeast Area Animal Control Authority (SEAACA).

6. Resource Management Element

The goals of the Resource Management Element include equal distribution of open space throughout the City; effective use of the open space that is available; and provision of recreation programs meeting the needs of all residents. These goals were implemented in the 2020 period through the following programs:

- Conservation. Drought tolerant landscaping was installed in street medians.
- Parks. The City continued to improve existing park facilities, including the replacement of the heating and air conditioning systems at Paramount Park Community Center, replacement of Paramount Park Picnic Shelters, and a remodel of the restrooms located at Paramount Park Community Center.
- Events. The City promoted events and activities to nurture health, wellness and quality of life. The City adjusted during the COVID-19 pandemic by modifying some events to "drive-through" or virtual formats.

2021 Programs:

- Conservation. Efforts to continue the installation of drought tolerant landscaping will occur.
- Parks. The City will continue to pursue the creation of new parks and improvement of existing parks. Planned improvements include facility improvements at Progress Plaza.
- Events. Continued support to promote events and activities to nurture health, wellness and quality of life. Events will include the weekly Farmers Market, the resumption of the Friday Night Market, Military Banner Recognition Program, holiday events, banners recognizing the City's Top 25 graduating Paramount High School students, and recognition of top Paramount athletes as part of the Paramount Youth Hall of Fame.
- Cultural/Arts. The City will continue improving utility boxes with painted and wrap art, and larger-scale artistic endeavors will be introduced as funding allows. Paramount Paints will be further developed as a program and resource.

7. Housing Element

Pursuant to Government Code Section 65400, the City Council is required to prepare an Annual Housing Element Progress Report on the status and progress in implementing the Paramount Housing Element using tables and definitions adopted by the Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD). The tables relevant to Paramount in 2020 are included as "**Attachment 1**" with the exception of Table D, which is included below in the body of this report.

Additionally, the Housing Successor Annual Report (Report) regarding the Low and Moderate Income Housing Asset Fund (LMIHAF) has been prepared pursuant to California Health and Safety Code Section 34176.1(f). This Report sets forth certain details of the Paramount Housing Successor activities during the 2020 fiscal year. The purpose of this Report is to annually provide the governing body of the Housing Successor a report on the housing assets and activities of the Housing Successor under Part 1.85, Division 24 of the California Health and Safety Code, in particular sections 34176 and 34176.1 (Dissolution Law), and are attached as "**Attachment 2**" to this report.

The goal of the Housing Element is to identify local housing needs and to implement measures to meet those needs. Another goal of the Housing Element is to implement a community's share of the Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA). In the State of California, each association of governments is required to generate housing needs numbers for their constituent jurisdictions. The Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG), which is the designated

Association of Governments for Southern California, has identified that the City of Paramount needs to produce 105 new housing units by October 1, 2021. In order to meet the goals of the Housing Element, the City will continue to implement its share of the RHNA number to meet the goal of 105 units from the current cycle, and 1,000 units from the previous cycle.

The City is progressing toward a further update to the Clearwater East Specific Plan Area. The Clearwater East Specific Plan is the zoning document that encompasses the 68-acre area south of Rosecrans Avenue, west of Paramount Boulevard, north of Somerset Boulevard, and east of the Union Pacific Railroad. The City Council adopted the Clearwater East Specific Plan in 1987 and updated it in 2019 to incorporate housing uses with the existing swap meet, retail/commercial, office, and light manufacturing uses. The California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) awarded a \$160,000 SB 2 Planning Grant to the City to improve the Clearwater East Specific Plan. Separate \$150,000 Sustainability Planning funding from SCAG is assisting in creating a new North Paramount Boulevard Specific Plan for the area to the north of Rosecrans Avenue and south of the 105-freeway.

The City also continues to support thriving senior housing developments on Vermont Avenue and Adams Street. The City provided financial support for the development on Adams Street and continues to maintain an active relationship with the project owners and project managers to ensure that a high level of service and quality of life is provided to the residents. A new assisted living and independent living senior facility will break ground on Paramount Boulevard in 2021. The City is committed to meet the needs of any special groups that are identified in the Housing Element Update.

The City is currently preparing the 6th Cycle Housing Element for October 2021 to October 2029. The RHNA for the upcoming cycle is 364 housing units.

The completed tables for Calendar Year 2020 are summarized below:

Table A – Housing Development Applications Submitted. This table only includes data on housing units and developments for which an application was submitted (and deemed complete) between January 1st and December 31st of the reporting year. An “application” is a formal submittal of a project for approval. This table is shown below.

Table A2 – Annual Building Activity Report Summary - New Construction, Entitled, Permits, and Completed Units. This table requires information for very low, low, moderate and above moderate income housing affordability categories and for mixed-income projects. The table includes data on net new housing units and developments that have received any one of the following: an entitlement, a building permit, or a certificate of occupancy or other form of readiness that was issued during the reporting year. This table is shown below.

Table B – Regional Housing Needs Allocation Progress – Permitted Units Issued By Affordability. Table B is a summary of prior permitting activity in the current planning cycle, including permitting activity for the calendar year being reported. Table B also includes data reported to HCD from prior Annual Progress Reports. This table is shown below.

Table C – Sites Identified or Rezoned to Accommodate Shortfall Housing Need. This table does not apply to Paramount in this year. Accordingly, this table is not included in this report.

Table D – Program Implementation Status pursuant to Government Code Section 65583. This table describes the implementation status of those programs that support the Paramount Housing Element. This table is as follows.

ANNUAL ELEMENT PROGRESS REPORT			
Housing Element Implementation			
(CCR Title 25 §6202)			
Jurisdiction	Paramount		
Reporting Year	2020	(Jan. 1 - Dec.)	
Table D			
Program Implementation Status pursuant to GC Section 65583			
Housing Programs Progress Report			
Describe progress of all programs including local efforts to remove governmental constraints to the maintenance, improvement, and development of housing as identified in the housing element.			
1	2	3	4
Name of Program	Objective	Timeframe	Status of Program Implementation
Affordable Housing Bonuses & Incentives Program	Provides bonuses & other incentives to developers who construct affordable housing	2014-2021	This housing program presently exists.
Affordable Housing Program	Provides grants or subsidized interest rate loans for purchase, construction and/or rehabilitation	2014-2021	This program is ongoing and will be continued.
CalHome Program	Provides grants to local public agencies & nonprofit developers to assist individual households through deferred payment loans.	2014-2021	This program is ongoing and will be continued.
Extremely Low-Income Housing Program	Promote the development of housing units with extremely low & very low incomes.	2014-2021	This program is ongoing and will be continued.
Down Payment & Closing Cost Assistance Program	Provides 4% down payment & closing cost assistance for those without funds or those who do have funds but the ratio is too high.	2014-2021	This housing program presently exists and will continue over the entire planning period applicable to this Housing Element.
Emergency Shelter Rezoning Program	Provides for the creation of an overlay zone within a specific area of the City where an emergency shelter would be permitted by right.	2014-2021	This program is a new program that was adopted in 2018 during the 5th Housing Element Cycle.
Transitional Housing Program	A supportive housing used to facilitate the movement of homeless individuals & families to permanent housing.	2014-2021	The City intends to comply with State law regarding the provision of transitional housing.
Supportive Housing Program	Permanent rental housing that also provides a wide array of support services that are designed to enable residents to maintain stable housing & lead more productive lives.	2014-2021	The City adopted supportive housing program in 2018 during the 5th Housing Element Cycle that complies with the State law regarding supportive housing.
Single Room Occupancy Housing Program	To establish appropriate regulations in the City's Zoning Ord. that would permit SRO development in the City's RM Multiple Family Zones.	2014-2021	This program is a new program that was included in the 4th Housing Element Cycle.
RHNA Objective/Constraints Monitoring Program	The City will continue to annually update an inventory that details the amount, type, and size of vacant & underutilized parcels to assist developers in identifying land suitable for residential development & that also details the number of extremely low, very low, and moderate-income units constructed annually.	2014-2021	The City will develop & implement a formal ongoing (project-by-project) evaluation procedure pursuant to Government Code Section 56863.

Mixed Use Development Program	The City will encourage housing development in those zone districts (C-3) where mixed use development is permitted by allowing administrative processing of lot consolidation requests, providing assistance with site identification & entitlement processing, offering fee waivers & deferrals for affordable housing projects, modifying development standards such as set backs & parking, & provide financial support where available for mixed use affordable projects.	2014-2021	This program is a new program that was included in the 4th Housing Element Cycle.
Environmental Review (CEQA) Program	The City shall continue to evaluate the environmental impacts of new development & provide mitigation measures prior to development approval, as required by the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).	2014-2021	The City has actively used the CEQA process as a means to evaluate the impacts of the development on the local environment, services, and infrastructure.
Fair Housing Program	The City will continue to contract with Fair Housing of Long Beach to process complaints regarding housing discrimination within the City & to provide counseling in landlord/tenant disputes.	2014-2021	This housing program presently exists.
Lead-Based Paint Hazards Removal Program	The City will provide additional information to staff regarding lead-based paint hazards & abatement strategies; coordinate efforts to address lead-based paint hazards; evaluate the rehabilitation guidelines to ensure that lead-based paint hazard reduction procedures & per-unit subsidies are sufficient.	2014-2021	This housing program presently exists and will continue over the entire planning period applicable to this Housing Element.
Home Improvement Program	To qualified applicants, the City will provide a grant of 80% of the total cost of the improvements, dependent on income category. Applicants within the low-income category shall provide 20% of the total cost of the work. Elderly homeowners must provide a 10% contribution.	2014-2021	This program is ongoing and will be continued.
Second Unit Ordinance	This Ordinance permits the construction of second units pursuant to the City's Zoning code as required in Section 65852.2 of the State of California Government Code.	2014-2021	This housing program presently exists.
Single-Family Mortgage Revenue Bond Program	Southern California Home Financing Authority (SCHFA) is a joint power authority between Los Angeles and Orange Counties. SCHFA issues tax-exempt mortgage revenue bonds for low and moderate-income first time homebuyers. The funds for this program are available on a first-come, first-served basis.	2014-2021	This program is ongoing and will be continued.
Zoning Conformity	The City will review the Zoning Ordinance to ensure that the development standards are consistent with those identified in the Land Use Element.	2014-2021	This housing program presently exists.

Table E – Commercial Development Bonus Approved pursuant to Government Code Section 65915.7. This table does not apply to Paramount. Rather, it applies to cities where an applicant was granted approval of a commercial development and had entered into an agreement with that city for partnered housing to contribute affordable housing through a joint project or two separate projects encompassing affordable housing in exchange for a commercial development bonus. Accordingly, this table is not included in this report.

Table F – Units Rehabilitated, Preserved and Acquired for Alternative Adequate Sites pursuant to Government Code Section 65583.1.(c)(2). This table does not apply to Paramount in this year. This table may be used to report dwelling units that have been substantially rehabilitated, converted from non-affordable to affordable by acquisition, and preserved consistent with the standards set forth in Government Code. Accordingly, this table is not included in this report.

Table G – Locally Owned Lands Included in the Housing Element Sites Inventory that have been sold, leased, or otherwise disposed of. This table does not apply to Paramount. Accordingly, this table is not included in this report.

Table H – Locally Owned Surplus Sites. This table does not apply to Paramount as there are no locally owned surplus sites to report. Accordingly, this table is not included in this report.

Attachment 1

Table A (part 1)

Jurisdiction		Paramount		ANNUAL ELEMENT PROGRESS REPORT										Note: "+" indicates an optional field									
Reporting Year		2020		(Jan. 1 - Dec. 31)		Housing Element Implementation										Cells in grey contain auto-calculation formulas							
(CCR Title 25 §6202)																							
Table A																							
Housing Development Applications Submitted																							
Project Identifier					Unit Types		Date Application Submitted	Proposed Units - Affordability by Household Incomes								Total Approved Units by Project	Total Disapproved Units by Project	Streamlining	Notes				
1					2	3	4	5							6	7	8	9	10				
Prior APN*	Current APN	Street Address	Project Name*	Local Jurisdiction Tracking ID*	Unit Category (SFA,SFD,2 to 4,5+,ADU,MH)	Tenure R=Renter O=Owner	Date Application Submitted (see instructions)	Very Low-Income Deed Restricted	Very Low-Income Non Deed Restricted	Low-Income Deed Restricted	Low-Income Non Deed Restricted	Moderate-Income Deed Restricted	Moderate-Income Non Deed Restricted	Above Moderate-Income	Total PROPOSED Units by Project	Total APPROVED Units by project	Total DISAPPROVED Units by Project	Was APPLICATION SUBMITTED Pursuant to GC 65913.4(b)? (SB 35 Streamlining)	Notes*				
Summary Row: Start Data Entry Below							0	5	0	9	0	21	11	45	9	0	0						
	6239012009	15543 Delcombre Ave	AA No. 1984 Gutierrez		ADU	R	1/30/2020					1		1	1	0	No						
	6236018030	7232 Cortland Ave	AA No. 1985 Almanza		ADU	R	1/6/2020				1			1	1	0	No						
	7102006007	7232 Marcelle St	AA No. 1987 Islas		ADU	R	2/24/2020					1			1	0	No						
	6237004026	14815 San Marino St	AA No. 1988 Castorena		ADU	R	3/11/2020		1					1	1	0	No						
	6237019023	6653 San Luis St	AA No. 1991 Andrade		ADU	R	3/12/2020					1		1	1	0	No						
	6264024030	13604 Merkel Ave	AA No. 1992 Fernandez		ADU	O	3/11/2020				1			1	1	0	No						
	6242016018	13938 Brightwell Ave	AA No. 1993 Kajohnpadungkitti		ADU	R	4/13/2020						1	1	1	0	No						
	7101007008	6824 Marcelle St	AA No. 1994 Venegas and Zavala		ADU	R	4/23/2020				1			1			No						
	6236012007	7402 Century Ave	AA No. 1995 Garcia and Pelayo		ADU	R	4/23/2020						1	1			No						
	6265009017	8123 Denbo St	AA No. 1997 Andrews/ Breckenridge Property Fund		ADU	R	5/29/2020						1	1			No						
	6237001010	7040 San Luis St	AA No. 1999 Armenta		ADU	R	5/22/2020					1		1			No						
	7101005011	6733-6735 Marcelle Street	AA No. 2000 Aguirre		ADU	R	7/1/2020					2		2			No						
	6270016016	15537 California Ave	AA No. 2001 Aguirre		ADU	O	7/1/2020					1		1			No						
	6268037022	14530 Passage Ave	AA No. 2002 Rodriguez		ADU	R	7/8/2020				1			1			No						
	6236014001	13633 Nebraska Ave	AA No. 2004 Villa and Ruiz		ADU	O	7/24/2020		1					1			No						
	7103003011	15948 Georgia Ave	AA No. 2006 Rivera		ADU	R	7/24/2020				1			1	1	0	No						
	7102007016	7236 Motz Street	AA No. 2008 Felix		ADU	R	8/3/2020						1	1		0	No						

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Table A (part 2)

Jurisdiction		Paramount		ANNUAL ELEMENT PROGRESS REPORT										Note: "+" indicates an optional field												
Reporting Year		2020		(Jan. 1 - Dec. 31)		Housing Element Implementation										Cells in grey contain auto-calculation formulas										
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Housing Development Applications Submitted																										
Project Identifier					Unit Types		Date Application Submitted	Proposed Units - Affordability by Household Incomes								Total Approved Units by Project	Total Disapproved Units by Project	Streamlining	Notes							
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Prior APN*	Current APN	Street Address	Project Name*	Local Jurisdiction Tracking ID*	Unit Category (SFA,SFD,2 to 4,5+,ADU,MH)	Tenure R=Renter O=Owner	Date Application Submitted (see instructions)	Very Low-Income Deed Restricted	Very Low-Income Non Deed Restricted	Low-Income Deed Restricted	Low-Income Non Deed Restricted	Moderate-Income Deed Restricted	Moderate-Income Non Deed Restricted	Above Moderate-Income	Total PROPOSED Units by Project	Total APPROVED Units by project	Total DISAPPROVED Units by Project	Was APPLICATION SUBMITTED Pursuant to GC 65913.4(b)? (SB 35 Streamlining)	Notes*							
	7101008009	6722 Marcelle St	AA No. 2009 Felix		ADU	R	8/3/2020							1		1	0	No								
	7101008028	6622 Marcelle Street	AA No. 2011 Cano		ADU	R	10/7/2020							1		1	0	No								
	7101004011	6733 Motz St	AA No. 2014 Felix Lopez		ADU	R	9/28/2020							1		1	0	No								
	6241009008	8230 3rd St	AA No. 2016 Flores-Cardenas and Medrano-Rojas		ADU	O	10/12/2020				1					1	0	No								
	6237019022	6647 San Luis St	AA No. 2017 Cisneros and Kuk Kuk		ADU	R	8/17/2020							1		1	0	No								
	6242009004	13832 Florine Ave	AA No. 2020 Segovia		ADU	R	3/1/2020							1		1	0	No								
	6237020024	14813 El Camino Ave	AA No. 2021 Robles		ADU	R	9/10/2020				1					1	0	No								
	6270019015	15547 Virginia Ave	AA No. 2023 Rocha		ADU	R	9/22/2020							1		1	0	No								
	6242006005	7372 Walnut Ave	AA No. 2024 Ruiz		ADU	R	9/23/2020				1					1	1	0	No							
	6241012004	8120 1st St	AA No. 2027 Quintanilla		ADU	R	10/14/2020					1				1	0	No								
	7102006010	7220 Marcelle St	AA No. 2028 Madrid		ADU	R	10/21/2020							1		1	0	No								
	6239012020	15532 Delcombre Ave	AA No. 2030 Decasas		ADU	R	10/23/2020							1		1	0	No								
	6239009007	15306 El Camino Ave	AA No. 2032 Urteaga		ADU	R	11/13/2020					1				1	0	No								
	7103004015	15937 Georgia Ave	AA No. 2036 Garcia		ADU	O	12/2/2020					1				1	0	No								
	6264007037	13410 Brock Ave	AA No. 2038 Argueta		ADU	R	12/7/2020							1		1	0	No								
	7103019002	16453 Inidana Ave	AA No. 2042 Lomeli		ADU	O	12/17/2020				1					1	0	No								
	7103003006	15922-24 Georgia Ave	DRA No. 20:002 Ahmed		SFA	R	1/10/2020							1		1	0	No								
	6236035013	Rancho Camino Dr	DRA No. 20:005 Gonzalez and Marroquin		SFD	R	2/20/2020							1		1	0	No								
	7101012005	6500 Alondra Blvd - 6510 Alondra Blvd.	DRA No. 20:010 Gold Key Development		SFD	O	5/20/2020								10	10	0	No								

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1					2	3	4							5	6	7							8	9	10							11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20			21			
Prior APN*	Current APN	Street Address	Project Name*	Local Jurisdiction Tracking ID*	Unit Category (SFA,SFD,2 to 4,SFADU,M)	Tenure R-Renter Or Owner	Very Low-Income Deed Restricted	Very Low-Income Non Deed Restricted	Low-Income Deed Restricted	Low-Income Non Deed Restricted	Moderate-Income Deed Restricted	Moderate-Income Non Deed Restricted	Above Moderate Income	Entitlement Date Approved	# of Units Issued Entitlements	Very Low-Income Deed Restricted	Very Low-Income Non Deed Restricted	Low-Income Deed Restricted	Low-Income Non Deed Restricted	Moderate-Income Deed Restricted	Moderate-Income Non Deed Restricted	Above Moderate Income	Building Permits Data Issued	# of Units Issued Building Permits	Very Low-Income Deed Restricted	Very Low-Income Non Deed Restricted	Low-Income Deed Restricted	Low-Income Non Deed Restricted	Moderate-Income Deed Restricted	Moderate-Income Non Deed Restricted	Above Moderate Income	Certificates of Occupancy or other forms of readiness (see instructions) Date Issued	# of Units issued Certificates of Occupancy or other forms of readiness	How many of the units were Extremely Low Income?*	Was Project APPROVED (SPD13-40)? (SB 35 Streamlining) Y/N	Infill Units? Y/N*	Assistance Programs for Each Development (see instructions)	Deed Restriction Type (see instructions)	For units affordable without financial assistance or deed restrictions, explain how the locality determined the units were affordable (see instructions)	Term of Affordability or Deed Restriction (years) if affordable in perpetuity enter "1000"	Number of Demolished/Destroyed Units*	Demolished or Destroyed Units	Demolished/Destroyed Units Owner or Renter?	Notes*			
Summary Row-Start Data Entry Below							0	2	0	0	0	0	0	1		12	0	2	0	3	0	7	1		13	0	0	0	0	0	0	1		11	0	0					0	0	0	0			
	62360143001	7372 Walnut Ave	AA No. 2004 Ruiz and Villa		ADU	O		1						7/24/2020			1							11/10/2020	1									0	0	N							Application				
	624206005	13708 1/2 Florine Ave	AA No. 2024 Ruiz		ADU	R						1		9/23/2020							1			11/19/2020	1									0	0	N							Application				
	7103003011	15948 Georgia Ave	AA No. 2006 Rivera		ADU	R				1				7/24/2020					1					9/28/2020	1									0	0	N							Application				
	6242016018	13940 Brightwell Ave	AA No. 1993 Kaprengadungilis		ADU	R						1		4/13/2020								1		9/16/2020	1									0	0	N							Application				
	6237001010	7042 San Luis St	AA No. 1999 Armenta		ADU	R						1		5/22/2020							1		8/6/2020	1										0	0	N							Application				
	6264024030	13604 Merkel	AA No. 1992 Fernandez		ADU	O				1				3/11/2020					1					8/17/2020	1									0	0	N							Application				
	6237019023	6855 San Luis St	AA No. 1991 Andrade		ADU	R						1		3/12/2020							1		8/6/2020	1										0	0	N							Application				
	6236012007	7404 Century Blvd	AA No. 1995 Pelayo and Garcia		ADU	R						1		4/24/2020							1		10/13/2020	1										0	0	N							Application				
	6237003023	14815 San Marino Ave	AA 1988 Castorena		ADU	R		1						3/11/2020			1						7/27/2020	1										0	0	N							Application				
	6236018030	7234 Cortland Ave	AA No. 1985 Almanza		ADU	R				1				1/6/2020					1				5/28/2020	1										0	0	N							Application				
	6236023045	7321 Rood St	AA 1978 Swoboda		ADU	O						1		8/28/2020							1		11/9/2020	1										0	0	N							Application				
	6242014016	13915 Racine Ave	AA No. 1952 Rodriguez		ADU	O															1		5/6/2020	1										0	0	N							Application				
	7103003006	15922-24 Georgia Ave	DRA No. 20-002 Abmed		SFA	R						1		2/11/2020							1		9/29/2020	1									0	0	N							Application					
6240005001	6240001030	15302 Orange Ave	DRA No. 17-003 Sameerh and Nassef			2 to 4	R																								3	8/5/2020		3		N						Application					
6240001014	6240001030	15304 Orange Ave	DRA No. 17-003 Sameerh and Nassef			2 to 4	R																								3	8/5/2020		3		N						Application					
6240001014	6240001030	15158 Orange Ave	DRA No. 17-003 Sameerh and Nassef			2 to 4	R																								3	8/5/2020		3		N						Application					
6240005001	6240001030	15160 Orange Ave	DRA No. 17-003 Sameerh and Nassef			2 to 4	R																								2	8/5/2020		2		N						Application					

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Reporting Year		2020 (Jan. 1 - Dec. 31)		Housing Element Implementation										Cells in grey contain auto-calculation formulas	
<div> <div>CCR Title 25 §6202</div> <div>Table A2</div> <div>Annual Building Activity Report Summary - New Construction, Entitled, Permits and Completed Units</div> </div>															

Project Identifier					Unit Types		Affordability by Household Incomes - Completed Entitlement									Affordability by Household Incomes - Building Permits							
1					2	3	4							5	6	7							8
Prior APN*	Current APN	Street Address	Project Name*	Local Jurisdiction Tracking ID*	Unit Category (SFA,SFD,2 to 4,5+,ADU,MH)	Tenure R=Renter O=Owner	Very Low- Income Deed Restricted	Very Low- Income Non Deed Restricted	Low- Income Deed Restricted	Low- Income Non Deed Restricted	Moderate- Income Deed Restricted	Moderate- Income Non Deed Restricted	Above Moderate- Income	Entitlement Date Approved	# of Units issued Entitlements	Very Low- Income Deed Restricted	Very Low- Income Non Deed Restricted	Low- Income Deed Restricted	Low- Income Non Deed Restricted	Moderate- Income Deed Restricted	Moderate- Income Non Deed Restricted	Above Moderate- Income	Building Permits Date Issued
Summary Row: Start Data Entry Below							0	2	0	3	0	6	1		12	0	2	0	3	0	7	1	
	6236014001	7372 Walnut Ave	AA No. 2004 Ruiz and Villa		ADU	O		1						7/24/2020	1		1						11/10/2020
	6242006005	13708 1/2 Florine Ave	AA No. 2024 Ruiz		ADU	R						1		9/23/2020	1					1			11/19/2020
	7103003011	15948 Georgia Ave	AA No. 2006 Rivera		ADU	R			1					7/24/2020	1			1					
	6242016018	13940 Brightwell Ave	AA No. 1983 Kajohnpadungkitti		ADU	R							1	4/13/2020	1						1		9/16/2020
	6237001010	7042 San Luis St	AA No. 1999 Armenta		ADU	R						1		5/22/2020	1					1			8/6/2020
	6264024030	13604 Merkel	AA No. 1992 Fernandez		ADU	O			1					3/11/2020	1			1					8/17/2020
	6237019023	6655 San Luis St	AA No. 1991 Andrade		ADU	R						1		3/12/2020	1					1			8/6/2020
	6236012007	7404 Century Blvd	AA No. 1995 Petayo and Garcia		ADU	R						1		4/24/2020	1					1			10/13/2020
	6237003023	14815 San Marino Ave	AA 1988 Castorena		ADU	R		1						3/11/2020	1		1						7/27/2020
	6236018030	7234 Cortland Ave	AA No. 1985 Almanza		ADU	R			1					1/6/2020	1			1					5/28/2020
	6236023045	7321 Rood St	AA 1978 Swoboda		ADU	O						1		8/28/2020	1					1			11/9/2020
	6242014016	13915 Racine Ave	AA No. 1952 Rodriguez		ADU	O									0					1			5/8/2020
	7103003006	15922-24 Georgia Ave	DRA No. 20:002 Ahmed		SFA	R						1		2/11/2020	1					1			9/29/2020
6240005001	6240001030	15302 Orange Ave	DRA No. 17:003 Samerh and Nassef		2 to 4	R									0								
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	Affordability by Household Incomes - Certificates of Occupancy									Streamlining	Infill	Housing with Financial Assistance and/or Deed Restrictions		Housing without Financial Assistance or Deed Restrictions	Term of Affordability or Deed Restriction	Demolished/Destroyed Units			Notes	
9	10							11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20		21	
# of Units Issued Building Permits	Very Low-Income Deed Restricted	Very Low-Income Non Deed Restricted	Low-Income Deed Restricted	Low-Income Non Deed Restricted	Moderate-Income Deed Restricted	Moderate-Income Non Deed Restricted	Above Moderate-Income	Certificates of Occupancy or other forms of readiness (see instructions) <u>Date Issued</u>	# of Units issued Certificates of Occupancy or other forms of readiness	How many of the units were Extremely Low Income?*	Was Project APPROVED using GC 65913.4(b)? (SB 35 Streamlining) Y/N	Infill Units? Y/N*	Assistance Programs for Each Development (see instructions)	Deed Restriction Type (see instructions)	For units affordable without financial assistance or deed restrictions, explain how the locality determined the units were affordable (see instructions)	Term of Affordability or Deed Restriction (years) (if affordable in perpetuity enter 1000)*	Number of Demolished/Destroyed Units*	Demolished or Destroyed Units*	Demolished/Destroyed Units Owner or Renter*	Notes*
13	0	0	0	0	0	0	11		11	0	0					0	0	0		
1									0	0	N				Application					
1									0	0	N				Application					
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0							3	8/5/2020	3	0	N				Application					
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Table B

Jurisdiction			Paramount		ANNUAL ELEMENT PROGRESS REPORT					This table is auto-populated once you enter your jurisdiction name and current year data. Past year information comes from previous APRs. Please contact HCD if your data is different than the material supplied here				
Reporting Year			2020 (Jan. 1 - Dec. 31)		Housing Element Implementation									
					(CCR Title 25 §6202)									
Table B														
Regional Housing Needs Allocation Progress														
Permitted Units Issued by Affordability														
		1	2									3	4	
Income Level		RHNA Allocation by Income Level	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	Total Units to Date (all years)	Total Remaining RHNA by Income Level	
Very Low	Deed Restricted	26										2	24	
	Non-Deed Restricted									2				
Low	Deed Restricted	16										3	13	
	Non-Deed Restricted									3				
Moderate	Deed Restricted	17										7	10	
	Non-Deed Restricted									7				
Above Moderate		46		5	4	1	1	43	26	1		81		
Total RHNA		105												
Total Units				5	4	1	1	43	26	13		93	47	
Note: units serving extremely low-income households are included in the very low-income permitted units totals														
Cells in grey contain auto-calculation formulas														

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**ANNUAL REPORT
REGARDING THE
LOW AND MODERATE INCOME HOUSING ASSET FUND
FOR FISCAL YEAR 2019-2020 PURSUANT TO
CALIFORNIA HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE SECTION 34176.1(f) FOR THE
PARAMOUNT HOUSING SUCCESSOR**

This Housing Successor Annual Report (Report) regarding the Low and Moderate Income Housing Asset Fund (LMIHAF) has been prepared pursuant to California Health and Safety Code Section 34176.1(f). This Report sets forth certain details of the Paramount Housing Successor (Housing Successor) activities during fiscal year 2019-2020 (fiscal year). The purpose of this Report is to provide the governing body of the Housing Successor an annual report on the housing assets and activities of the Housing Successor under Part 1.85, Division 24 of the California Health and Safety Code, in particular sections 34176 and 34176.1 (Dissolution Law).

This Report conforms with and is organized into sections I. through XI., inclusive, pursuant to Section 34176.1(f) of the Dissolution Law:

I. Amount Deposited into LMIHAF: This section provides the total amount of funds deposited into the LMIHAF during the fiscal year. Any amounts deposited for items listed on the Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule (ROPS) must be distinguished from the other amounts deposited.

A total of \$0 representing residential rehabilitation loan payments, was deposited into the LMIHAF during the fiscal year. Of the total funds deposited, \$0.00 was held for items listed on the ROPS.

II. Ending Balance of LMIHAF: This section provides a statement of the balance in the LMIHAF as of the close of the fiscal year. Any amounts deposited for items listed on the ROPS must be distinguished from the other amounts deposited.

The fund balance of the LMIHAF, as of June 30, 2020 was \$1,265,266. The portion of the fund balance held for items listed on the ROPS was \$0.00.

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III. Description of Expenditures from LMIHAF: This section provides a description of the expenditures made from the LMIHAF during the Fiscal Year. The expenditures are to be categorized.

There were no expenditures from the LMIHAF during the fiscal year.

IV. Statutory Value of Assets Owned by Housing Successor: This section provides the statutory value of real property owned by the Housing Successor, the value of loans and grants receivables, and the sum of these two amounts.

Under the Dissolution Law and for purposes of this Report, the “statutory value of real property” means the value of properties formerly held by the former redevelopment agency as listed on the housing asset transfer schedule approved by the Department of Finance as listed in such schedule under Section 34176(a)(2), the value of the properties transferred to the Housing Successor pursuant to Section 34181(f), and the purchase price of property purchased by the Housing Successor. Further, the value of loans and grants receivable is included in the reported assets held in the LMIHAF.

The following provides the value of assets owned by the Housing Successor:

<i>Statutory Value of Real Property</i>	<i>\$ 412,498</i>
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<i>Value of Loans and Grants Receivable</i>	<i>\$ 467,293</i>
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V. Description of Transfers: This section describes transfers, if any, to another housing successor agency made in previous fiscal year(s), including whether the funds are unencumbered and the status of projects, if any, for which the transferred LMIHAF will be used. The sole purpose of the transfers must be for the development of transit priority projects, permanent supportive housing, housing for agricultural employees or special needs housing.

No transfer was made to any other Housing Successor pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (c).

VI. Project Descriptions: This section describes any project for which the Housing Successor receives or holds property tax revenue pursuant to the ROPS and the status of that project.

No property tax was received or held.

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VII. Status of Compliance with Section 33334.16: This section provides a status update on compliance with Section 33334.16 for interests in real property acquired by the former redevelopment agency prior to February 1, 2012.

With respect to interests in real property acquired by the former redevelopment agency prior to February 1, 2012, the time periods described in Section 33334.16 shall be deemed to have commenced on the date that the Department of Finance approved the property as a housing asset in the LMIHAF; thus, as to real property acquired by the former redevelopment agency now held by the Housing Successor in the LMIHAF, the Housing Successor must initiate activities consistent with the development of the real property for the purpose for which it was acquired within five years of the date the DOF approved such property as a housing asset.

No real property was transferred to the LMIHAF from the former redevelopment agency and no real property has been purchased by the Housing Successor

VIII. Description of Outstanding Obligations under Section 33413: This section describes the outstanding inclusionary and replacement housing obligations, if any, under Section 33413 that remained outstanding prior to dissolution of the former redevelopment agency as of February 1, 2012 along with the Housing Successor's progress in meeting those prior obligations, if any, of the former redevelopment agency and how the Housing Successor's plans to meet unmet obligations, if any.

There is nothing to report at this time.

IX. Income Test: This section provides the information required by Section 34176.1(a)(3)(B), or a description of expenditures by income restriction for a five year period, with the period beginning January 1, 2014 and whether the statutory thresholds have been met. However, reporting of the Income Test is not required until 2019.

There is nothing to report at this time.

X. Senior Housing Test: This section provides the percentage units of deed-restricted rental housing restricted to seniors and assisted individually or jointly by the Housing Successor, its former Redevelopment Agency, and its host jurisdiction within the previous ten years in relation to the aggregate number of units of deed-restricted rental housing assisted individually or jointly by the Housing Successor, its former Redevelopment Agency and its host jurisdiction within the same time period. For this Report the ten-year period reviewed is July 1, 2009 through July 1, 2019.

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The following provides the Housing Successor's Senior Housing Test- Reporting requirements for Implementation Plans pursuant to CRL Section 33490 (a)(2)(C)(iv):

There is nothing to report at this time.

XI. Excess Surplus Test: This section provides the amount of excess surplus (unencumbered funds) in the LMIHAF, exceeding one million or the aggregate amount deposited in the fund over the preceding four fiscal years if any, and the length of time that the Housing Successor has had excess surplus, and the Housing Successor's plan for eliminating the excess surplus.

Excess Surplus Calculation:

<i>Fund Balance</i>	<i>\$ 1,265,266</i>
<i>Reserved for Notes Receivable</i>	<i>\$ (467,293)</i>
<i>Unencumbered Fund Balance</i>	<i>\$ 797,973</i>

The LMIHAF's unencumbered fund balance is less than \$1,000,000, therefore no excess surplus exists.

MARCH 16, 2021

REJECTION OF BID FOR THE RENOVATION OF CITY BUS SHELTERS
(CITY PROJECT NO. 9153)

MOTION IN ORDER:

REJECT THE BID AND DIRECT STAFF TO RE-ADVERTISE THE
REQUEST FOR BIDS FOR THE RENOVATION OF CITY BUS SHELTERS.

MOTION:

MOVED BY: _____

SECONDED BY: _____

☐ APPROVED

☐ DENIED

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: _____

NOES: _____

ABSENT: _____

ABSTAIN: _____



To: Honorable City Council
From: John Moreno, City Manager
By: Adriana Figueroa, Public Works Director
Date: March 16, 2021

**Subject: REJECTION OF BID FOR THE RENOVATION OF CITY BUS SHELTERS
(CITY PROJECT NO. 9153)**

With the adoption of the Fiscal Year 2021, funds were allocated to renovate 16 bus shelters citywide. On March 4, 2021, the Public Works Director opened and examined the bids for this project. The bids were opened at 11:00 AM at the City Yard.

One (1) bid was received and was submitted by Boomer Construction Services, in the amount of \$865,000. The design engineer's estimate for construction was \$580,000.

Pursuant to Public Contract Code Section 21006, staff is recommending rejection of the bids and subsequent re-advertisement of the project.

Staff will bring a recommendation for award at a future City Council meeting once new bids are received and examined.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

It is recommended that the City Council reject the bid and direct staff to re-advertise the request for bids for the renovation of city bus shelters.

Bid for the renovation of City bus shelters

	<u>Company Name</u>	<u>Company Address</u>	<u>Bid Amount</u>
1.	Boomer Construction Services	9849 Flower Street. #F Bellflower, CA 90706	\$865,000.00

MARCH 16, 2021

ALONDRA BOULEVARD WIDENING PROJECT – APPROVAL OF A
PROPOSAL FROM WILLDAN ENGINEERING TO PROVIDE
PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING DESIGN SERVICES
(CITY PROJECT NO. 9136)

MOTION IN ORDER:

AUTHORIZE WILLDAN ENGINEERING TO PERFORM PROFESSIONAL
ENGINEERING DESIGN SERVICES FOR THE ALONDRA BOULEVARD
WIDENING PROJECT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,135,000 UTILIZING
METRO FUNDS.

MOTION:

MOVED BY: _____

SECONDED BY: _____

[] APPROVED

[] DENIED

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: _____

NOES: _____

ABSENT: _____

ABSTAIN: _____



To: Honorable City Council

From: John Moreno, City Manager

By: Adriana Figueroa, Public Works Director
Sarah Ho, Assistant Public Works Director

Date: March 16, 2021

Subject: ALONDRA BOULEVARD WIDENING PROJECT – APPROVAL OF A PROPOSAL FROM WILLDAN ENGINEERING TO PROVIDE PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING DESIGN SERVICES (CITY PROJECT NO. 9136)

In December of 2020, the City Council approved a funding agreement with Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro) for the design and environmental clearance work for the Alondra Boulevard Improvements Project from Hunsaker Avenue to Lakewood Boulevard. Metro approved \$4,600,000 for total design costs for the project which is intended to improve traffic flow and reduce congestion on Alondra Boulevard as part of the Interstate 605 and State Route 91 “Hot Spots” Interchange Program. The proposed improvements consist of roadway and intersection widening, median modifications, parkway narrowing, undergrounding of utilities, ADA sidewalk and curb ramp improvements, LED street lighting, green streets improvements, and traffic signal modifications.

On January 28, 2021, at the request of the City, Willdan Engineering (Willdan) submitted a proposal (attached) for professional engineering design services for the Alondra Widening project in the amount of \$1,135,000. The remainder of the grant funds will be allocated to Southern California Edison to design the undergrounding of the utilities. Metro allows for agencies to utilize their existing contracted engineering services to perform design services. Under the City’s purchasing policy, professional services, which often include highly specific areas of expertise, such as engineering, are not subject to the competitive bidding process. However, purchases of equipment or services in excess of \$25,000 require City Council approval. As Willdan Engineering is the City’s current contractual engineering firm and serves as the City Engineer, the City will utilize the existing services agreement with Willdan. Once again, this project is being entirely funded by Metro; no City general fund money will be expended on this project.

Willdan is a nationally recognized engineering firm that is familiar with projects of this nature and magnitude, as well as, the overall needs of the Paramount community. Willdan has a team of qualified engineers and staff with many areas of expertise including traffic engineering, environmental science, utilities coordination, sustainability, landscape design, and storm water quality, among others. Willdan has been designing our annual street resurfacing projects and has also undertaken larger and more complex street modification projects like the Garfield Widening Design, which includes coordination with Southern California Edison for the design of the undergrounding of utilities.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

It is recommended that the City Council authorize Willdan Engineering to perform professional engineering design services for the Alondra Boulevard widening project in the amount of \$1,135,000 utilizing Metro funds.

January 28, 2021

Ms. Adriana Figueroa
Director of Public Works
City of Paramount
16400 Colorado Avenue
Paramount, CA 90723

Subject: Proposal for Preliminary Engineering Services (Measure R Funding)
for the Alondra Boulevard Improvements Project

Dear Ms. Figueroa:

Willdan Engineering (Willdan) is pleased to be given the opportunity to submit this proposal to provide preliminary engineering design, environmental documents, and cost-benefit analysis services for the Alondra Boulevard Improvements Project, from Hunsaker Avenue to Lakewood Boulevard, in the City of Paramount. The purpose of this project is to improve traffic flow and reduce congestion on Alondra Boulevard as part of the I-605/SR-91 "Hot Spots" Interchange Program funded by the State of California Measure R Program.

Alondra Boulevard is a designated truck route that supports goods movement from the Ports of Long Beach and Los Angeles. This project will increase roadway capacity by adding a third lane in each direction on Alondra Boulevard by reducing the median width and parkway width within the City's right-of-way. In order to accommodate the roadway widening, existing overhead utility facilities located within the project right-of-way will be undergrounded. The undergrounding of the overhead utility facilities requires a feasibility and cost-benefit analysis, to be completed as part of the preliminary engineering phase. Prior to commencing with the final Plans, Specifications, and Estimate (PS&E), the City will present the results of the cost-benefit analysis to the SR-91/I-605/I-405 Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) and Metro. Once the cost-benefit analysis is approved, staff will submit a design proposal to prepare the final project PS&E. Other project improvements include traffic signal improvements, LED street lighting, ADA enhancements, and green street improvements such as landscaped median islands, parkway trees, and stormwater retention.

It is our understanding that the project includes the following proposed improvements:

- Widen Alondra Boulevard to accommodate a third lane of travel in each direction. The third lane will allow on-street parking during off-peak hours and will be used as the third travel lane during peak hours.

- Due to the street widening, the project will include utility undergrounding of overhead distribution and transmission power poles. The utility undergrounding design will be performed and provided by Southern California Edison (SCE).
- Resurfacing of Alondra Boulevard with Asphalt-Rubber Hot Mix (ARHM) to prevent more serious and costly deterioration, which could lead to complete reconstruction.
- Reconstruction of existing concrete sidewalk, curb and gutter, and drive approaches.
- Construction of new catch basins due to proposed street widening.
- Installation of new access curb ramps in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) requirements. All newly installed access curb ramps will include truncated domes.
- Installation of streetscape improvements including new raised landscaped medians, modifications of existing medians, and parkway street trees.
- Installation of new irrigation system for median island landscape improvements.
- Installation of wet wells and inverted landscaped areas with drought resistant adaptive plants and low volume drip irrigation systems.
- Installation of traffic signal modifications including traffic signal poles, vehicle heads, pedestrian heads, detection, IISNS, conduit, controllers and service cabinets. The following is a list of the locations for the traffic signal modifications along Alondra Boulevard:
 1. Hunsaker Avenue
 2. Orange Avenue
 3. Gundry Avenue
 4. Garfield Avenue
 5. Vermont Avenue
 6. Paramount Boulevard
 7. Georgia Avenue
 8. Virginia Avenue
 9. Downey Avenue
 10. Lakewood Boulevard
- Installation of new LED streetlights along Alondra Boulevard.
- Installation of signing and striping.



SCOPE OF SERVICES

We propose to provide the following general services for the project:

PROJECT MANAGEMENT

1. Attend a pre-design (kick-off) meeting with City representatives to review the project, in detail, to determine the City's specific requirements.
2. Maintain continuous communication with the City Project Manager, including meetings to review project status.
3. Provide agendas of special items for discussion, and minutes listing agreed actions.
4. Monitor progress of design team to ensure project delivery on schedule and within budget.
5. Provide project updates on a monthly basis.
6. Maintain continuous awareness of the status of each task as it proceeds and make provisions to expedite and resolve any difficulties that may impede progress.
7. Proactively initiate communications any time there arises a question or inconsistency in the flow of work production.
8. Coordinate with other public agencies including Metro Bus and Long Beach Transit.

DESIGN SURVEY

1. Perform research at Los Angeles County and the City of Paramount for survey information.
2. Set targets survey control points.
3. Establish horizontal and vertical coordinates on all control points.
4. Provide aerial survey of Alondra Boulevard.
5. Establish record centerline for Alondra Boulevard.
6. Obtain existing elevations utilizing electronic field data collection methods at 50-foot intervals to establish accurate profiles.
7. Obtain topographic feature locations for a complete and accurate representation of existing conditions within the street public right-of-way.



GEOTECHNICAL REPORT

1. Review of available background materials and reconnaissance of existing pavement conditions.
2. Conduct geotechnical borings/corings at strategic locations to determine existing pavement sections and collect representative samples of subgrade material for laboratory testing. We propose a total of 12 boring/core located at strategic locations.
3. Conduct percolation Testing for Storm Water Quality Treatment at 4 locations.
4. Provide laboratory testing of collected soil samples to determine their index and engineering properties. Laboratory testing will include in-place moisture and density, gradation, and R-values.
5. Prepare geotechnical report with findings, conclusions, and recommendations. The report will include:
 - a. A map with approximate locations of borings;
 - b. Logs with measured pavement and aggregate base thicknesses, and subgrade soils description as encountered in borings;
 - c. Summaries of test results;
 - d. Site subsurface classifications and groundwater conditions, calculations for infiltration rates; and
 - e. Recommendations for pavement section(s) based on Traffic Index (TI) provided by the City of Paramount.

STREET AND MEDIAN ISLAND CONCEPT PLAN

1. Develop a preliminary street alignment and median island configuration layout plan.
2. Present preliminary layout concept plan to the City of Paramount.
3. Based on the City's input and comments, revise the layout plan.
4. Prepare a final street and median island design concept and submit to the City of Paramount.

LANDSCAPE CONCEPT PLAN

1. Raised median planting.

2. Street parkway planting.
3. City plant palette.
4. Storm water quality swales, basins, trenches.
5. Hardscape improvements.
6. Present preliminary layout concept plan to the City of Paramount.
7. Based on the City's input and comments, revise the layout plan.

ENVIRONMENTAL CEQA DOCUMENTATION

Willdan will prepare an Initial Study (IS) based on either the City's CEQA Checklist or the CEQA Guidelines Appendix G Checklist to assess the project's environmental impacts. Based on our understanding of the proposed capacity enhancement and experience with similar projects, we anticipate that the appropriate CEQA document will be a Negative Declaration or Mitigated Negative Declaration, depending on whether the IS identifies environmental impacts from project construction or operation that exceed adopted significance thresholds. Mitigation measures will be drafted as necessary to reduce impacts to less-than-significant levels, although existing regulations may be sufficient to reduce project impacts to less than significant levels.

Task 1 - Project Description:

Willdan Engineering will provide the essential engineering/technical information that would serve as the basis for the project description and any alternatives evaluated for incorporation into the CEQA document. Willdan Engineering will prepare a draft copy of the project description as soon as the necessary information is available. The draft project description will be submitted to the City for review and comment. After resolution of the comments, and incorporation of changes as appropriate, Willdan Engineering will prepare the final project description for inclusion into the IS.

Task 2 - Administrative Draft Initial Study:

Willdan Engineering will prepare an administrative draft IS/MND in a narrative format that describes the environmental setting for the study area, summarizes the results of the technical studies (air quality, noise, greenhouse gases, traffic, cultural resources, etc.), identifies potential impacts resulting from the proposed project, and recommends mitigation measures as appropriate. Each issue area covered in the CEQA checklist will be evaluated at a suitable level of detail to fully address all potential impacts of the proposed project. The IS will only analyze the preferred roadway capacity enhancement alternative at a full level of detail. The IS/MND will rely in part on prior environmental analysis included in

the I-710 Corridor EIR/EIS, as well as other available analyses. An administrative draft IS will be submitted to the City for review and comment. We will also circulate the administrative draft IS to other responsible agencies, as deemed appropriate by the City.

Task 3 - Public Draft Initial Study and Notice of Intent:

After the City and other potential reviewing agencies complete their review of the administrative draft IS, Willdan Engineering will revise the document as required into a public draft IS, including proposed mitigation measures. Willdan Engineering will also prepare a Notice of Intent to Adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration. We will combine this document with the draft IS and begin public notification of the availability of the environmental document. In addition, we will complete the Notice of Completion (NOC) form on behalf of the City and upload the IS/MND to the State Clearinghouse CEQANET database. We recommend the City provide, at a minimum, a 30-day public comment period.

Task 4 - Public Involvement:

If requested by the City, Willdan Engineering will prepare for and attend one public hearing during the public comment period. The City will provide the site, advertising for the meeting, public address systems or other presentation equipment, equipment to accommodate persons with disabilities and necessary security and insurance for the meeting.

Assuming comments warranting substantial revision or recirculation of the IS are not received, then Willdan Engineering will complete the following:

Task 5 - Prepare Responses to Comments:

After the close of the public comment period, Willdan Engineering will review the public and agency comments with the City and Willdan Engineering will compile and number all substantive comments and provide written responses for each enumerated comment. Willdan Engineering will provide the City with a draft set of responses to comments for review and approval. The draft IS/MND will become the final IS/MND and the final written responses to comments will be included as an appendix.

Task 6 - Prepare Mitigation Monitoring Plan:

A Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Plan (MMRP) will be prepared by Willdan Engineering that summarizes all of the project mitigation measures, the responsible parties for implementing each measure, and the timing for each measure. The MMRP would be included as an appendix to the final environmental document.

Task 7 - CEQA Coordination

Willdan Engineering will coordinate all stages of the CEQA process with the City. CEQA approval, via adoption of a negative declaration with mitigation, would be obtained at a regularly scheduled meeting of the Planning Commission and/or City Council. CEQA requires that the lead agency file a Notice of Determination (NOD) with the County Clerk and with the State Office of Planning and Research Clearinghouse after deciding to approve a project for which a Negative Declaration has been adopted. Willdan Engineering will assist the City with preparing and filing the NOD.

Deliverables:

- Five (5) paper copies of the Administrative Draft IS Checklist
- One (1) electronic copy of the Administrative Draft IS Checklist
- Five (5) copies of the Draft IS Checklist
- One (1) electronic copy of the Draft IS Checklist
- Five (5) copies of the Final IS Checklist, MND and MMRP
- One (1) electronic copies of the Final IS Checklist MND and MMRP
- One (1) electronic copy of each technical study
- Willdan will assist with electronic filing the IS/MND with the State Clearinghouse on CEQANET, as the Clearinghouse will no longer accept physical documentation, including CDs or thumb drives after November 3, 2020.

Meeting(s):

- Attendance at one (1) project meeting to discuss comments on the Draft IS/MND
- Attendance at one (1) public hearing on the Draft IS/MND

Task 8 - Technical Studies

Technical studies required by the project will be prepared by Willdan personnel or technical subconsultants (Rincon Consultants) under contract to Willdan. We have identified what technical studies we believe are needed for this project, based on a preliminary assessment of project issues by Willdan. If it is determined in the course of preparing the Initial Study that additional technical studies will be required, Willdan will contact the City immediately and will describe the nature of the technical study needed and its cost. A mutually agreed-upon scope of work will be prepared with work on the study to commence only after the City's approval. For now, the only technical studies we are proposing are listed below along with the identification of the technical subconsultant that will perform the study.

Task 8.1 – Air Quality Impact Study

Willdan Engineering will prepare the air quality analysis.

Existing Regulatory Environment. The existing environment will be described in terms of meteorology, local topography affecting pollutant dispersion, and ambient air monitoring data, as set forth in the South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) 2016 Air Quality Management Plan (AQMP). A summary of current SCAQMD air management efforts related to the proposed project will be provided as well as the SCAQMD's CEQA Handbook requirements for air quality assessments. Sensitive receptors within the project vicinity will be identified.

Potential Impacts. The air quality impacts of the proposed project will be divided into short-term emissions from project construction and long-term impacts from project operation. Willdan will use the most recent version (v.9.0, May 2018) of the Roadway Construction Emissions model to estimate emissions. Short-term dust and emissions from construction activities will be forecasted and contrasted to regional and localized significance thresholds.

Long-term emissions would be generated from increased traffic or vehicle speed along Alondra Boulevard. However, the project's new road capacity is intended to reduce congestion, which results in reduced vehicle idling and associated emissions. These reductions cannot be precisely quantified, but we will provide a qualitative discussion of the potential for reduced air emissions.

A carbon monoxide (CO) hot-spot analysis is not required at this time since the basin is currently in attainment/maintenance for CO. We will provide a narrative that documents that project-generated CO will not significantly affect the region's attainment status.

Mitigation Measures. Regulatory requirements and mitigation measures will be listed to reduce emissions as feasible to less-than-significant levels.

Task 8.2 – Greenhouse Gases (GHG) Analysis

Willdan Engineering will prepare the GHG analysis.

Existing Regulatory Environment. The State of California considers GHG emissions to be significant factors affecting global climate change. Although no single project could generate enough GHG emissions to change global average temperatures appreciably, the combination of GHG emissions from past, present, and future projects is generally considered to contribute substantially to global climate change. Assessing GHG emissions is mandatory under CEQA.

Current GHG regulations and guidance for determining environmental impact significance will be presented. The SCAQMD does not set a numeric significance threshold for GHG emissions except for stationary sources under its permitting authority. However, the California Air Resources Board (CARB) 2017 Scoping Plan sets forth a statewide target for reducing GHG emissions. Showing a project's consistency with the Scoping Plan's target

percentage reduction is one generally accepted method of determining whether that project's GHG impacts are less than significant.

Potential Impacts. Heavy equipment and workers' vehicles will generate GHG emissions during construction. Project operation will also produce GHG emissions, particularly if the project results in a significant increase in daily trips. The Roadway Construction Emissions Model described above will be used to estimate GHG emissions.

Mitigation Measures. Mitigation measures will be developed as necessary. If impacts are identified, feasible means of mitigating the significant effects of GHGs must be based on substantial evidence and subject to monitoring or reporting. Mitigation measures may include: (1) measures in an adopted Climate Action Plan or General Plan; (2) reductions resulting from project implementation including measures identified in Appendix F of the CEQA Guidelines; (3) off-site measures including carbon offsets; (4) greenhouse gas sequestration (e.g., planting trees or other plant material on or off-site); and (5) other measures that can be implemented at the project level.

Task 8.3 – Noise Impact Study

To address potential noise and vibration impacts associated with the proposed project, Rincon will conduct field surveys, modeling, and prepare an analysis. The noise analysis will include the following tasks:

- Measure existing noise levels at up to four (4) locations at, and near the project site. Measurement locations will be selected to provide an understanding of the variability of ambient noise levels in the project area.
- Conduct an analysis of construction activities to assess noise levels at adjacent properties, based on equipment types and operations provided by the client.
- Estimate future vehicular traffic noise levels using the Federal Highway Administration Traffic Noise Model (FHWA TNM) acoustic algorithms. The traffic noise study will assess the noise generated by existing and future traffic focusing on the changes in noise levels along roadways affected by project. The results of the model will be expressed in community noise equivalent levels (CNEL).
- Evaluate potential construction related vibration levels at nearby structures. Vibration levels will be calculated based on published vibration levels associated with identified equipment and standardized and vibration propagation calculations. In absence of a local threshold, vibration levels will be evaluated based on California Department of Transportation and the Federal Transit Authority's guidance documents.
- Should significant impacts be identified, appropriate noise reduction measures will be identified. The analysis will include the necessary barrier heights, operational restrictions, window and door requirements, or other mitigation options to reduce noise levels to standards set by the County.

- Prepare a noise technical report that will contain the following information: (1) a brief project description; (2) an explanation of study methodology; (3) a discussion of the existing noise levels and local noise criteria; (4) a summary of noise impacts and, (5) an identification of mitigations measures, as necessary.

Mitigation Measures. Measures will be developed as required by CEQA and as indicated above to mitigate noise impacts.

Task 8.4 – Traffic Study

Willdan will prepare a Traffic Impact Study pursuant to CEQA guidelines. There has been a recent change in the CEQA guidelines with respect to measuring traffic impacts. This may impact the exact scope of work for the traffic impact study. The general scope of work of the CEQA Traffic Impact Study includes:

- A. Trip Generation for any fronting land uses that may not be currently developed to General Plan standards. We will also account for existing trips that will be lost with the GP development. The net trips (GP trips – existing) would be considered “new” trips.
- B. Trip Distribution of those trips associated with the “new” trips identified above.
- C. Trip Re-distribution of estimated trips affected by proposed closure of access to minor streets and driveways with the development of the median along Alondra Boulevard.
- D. Memo identifying no necessary need for VMT analysis for the Capacity enhancement project.
- E. Level of Service Analysis Scenarios per CEQA including but not limited to:
 - i. Existing
 - ii. Existing + Project
 - iii. Existing + Future Regional Growth + Cumulative Known Projects
 - iv. Existing + Future Regional Growth + Cumulative Known Projects + Project
 - v. Mitigation Measures as required
 - 1. Mitigation measures could include operational improvements such as signal timing and coordination improvements.
- F. Analysis to include:
 - i. 10 signalized intersections, and
 - ii. Up to 4 mid-block segments. Mid-block analysis will include an ADT analysis with 3 lanes in each direction.
 - iii. Determine where, if any, median openings will be provided for minor, non-signalized intersections or major driveways. This may also require the analysis of traffic signal warrants for possible installation of a traffic signal.
 - iv. Review 3 years of accident data along Alondra Boulevard. This accident analysis may help to determine if a median opening at a minor, non-signalized intersection or major driveway is not recommended. The accident

- analysis will also determine where the installation of the proposed median may reduce the number of accidents at a particular location.
- v. Review high accident locations.
 - vi. Review accident types.
 - vii. Analyze the general impacts of the removal of parking during peak periods to accommodate the raised median and 3 through lanes in both directions of Alondra Boulevard.
 - viii. Observe general on-street parking demand during peak periods.
 - ix. Determine if off-street parking alternatives are available and/or viable.
 - x. Determine the necessary left turn and right turn lane capacities/lengths at the median openings with the redistributed trips and the “new” trips associated with General Plan build-out.
- G. Prepare a DRAFT and FINAL traffic impact study report. Summary of this document into another report is not included in this scope of work.
- H. Data collecting includes turning movement counts during the AM/PM peak hours for 10 intersections, ADT classification counts at four locations for mid-block analysis and a peak hour parking demand study.

Task 8.5 – Cultural Resources Assessment

The project includes extensive excavation activities associated with the proposed undergrounding of utilities along the widened right-of-way. This necessitates the preparation of a cultural resources report for the project. A report will be prepared by Rincon Consultants that will provide a summary of existing conditions, background information, previous cultural resource reports, known cultural resources, conclusions, and recommendations. The report will include an assessment of potential archaeological sites and historical features within the project area, potential impacts to cultural resources as a result of excavation and construction activities, and recommendations for treatment of archaeological and historical resources as warranted.

Subtask 1.1: Cultural Resources Records Search. Rincon will conduct a California Historical Resources Information System (CHRIS) records search of the project site and a 0.5-mile radius around the project site at the South Central Coastal Information Center (SCCIC) located at California State University, Fullerton. The primary purpose of the records search is to identify any cultural resources known to exist on or adjacent to the project site. The records search will also reveal the nature and extent of any cultural resources work conducted in or near the project site.

Subtask 1.2: Tribal Consultation. Under AB 52, the City, as the lead agency, is required to begin consultation with California Native American tribes that are traditionally and culturally affiliated with the project area prior to the release of a negative declaration, mitigated negative declaration, or environmental impact report. Under this task, Rincon will assist the City with consultation for AB 52 by providing the City with letter templates, checklists, and detailed instructions to ensure meaningful consultation with interested Native American

groups can be completed in accordance with AB 52. This task does not include costs for meetings, outreach, or additional consultation by Rincon. Additionally, this assistance does not include an assessment of impacts for a CEQA document. Rincon may request an AB 52 consultation list from the NAHC on behalf of the City should the City choose to request such a list from the NAHC.

Subtask 1.3: Pedestrian Survey. Upon completion of the records search, Rincon will survey the project site for cultural resources. Based on current aerial imagery of the project site, the subject property is an active intersection and encompassed by development. A Rincon archaeologist will complete a mixed pedestrian and windshield survey with transects spaced no more than 10 meters apart, where appropriate. For the purposes of this proposal and cost estimate, Rincon assumes that the visit will be negative for cultural (archaeological, tribal cultural, or built environment) resources. Should any cultural resources be identified during the visit, a scope and budget augmentation will be requested for the formal recordation or record updating. No testing or excavation will be conducted, nor will any artifacts, samples, or specimens be collected during the survey.

Subtask 1.4: Cultural Resources Assessment Report. Upon completion of the records search, Native American scoping, and cultural resources survey, Rincon will prepare a cultural resources assessment report. This report will document the results of the study, as well as provide management recommendations for cultural resources situated within or near the project site. The report will include figures depicting the area visited and studied for cultural resources. The report will be prepared according to the California Office of Historic Preservation's Archaeological Resource Management Reports guidelines. An electronic draft copy of the report will be submitted for review. Upon acceptance of the final report, Rincon will provide an electronic copy to the SCCIC in accordance with their requirements.

RECORDS RESEARCH AND FIELD REVIEWS

1. Research and review base data documents including as-built improvement plans, traffic data, utility information, existing pavement section information, and other available record data.
2. Perform preliminary field reconnaissance, catalog photographs of typical and special existing conditions.
3. Verify locations of street topographic features including manholes, water valves, traffic striping, etc.
4. Review field conditions for ADA access curb ramps to establish preliminary type of ramp required.

PRELIMINARY DESIGN (35% COMPLETION)

1. Develop base drawings:
 - a. Plot survey data.
 - b. Identify and plot apparent substructures from utility information.
 - c. Conduct field verification of survey data.
 - d. Plot proposed street alignment and median island configuration based on approved concept plans.
2. Prepare photographic view simulations of before and after – two (2) locations.
3. Develop preliminary title and detail sheets for the Alondra Boulevard Improvement Project.
4. Develop preliminary civil plans for street widening, resurfacing and proposed median island on Alondra Boulevard.
5. Prepare preliminary storm drain plans for relocation of existing catch basins due to street widening.
6. Prepare preliminary landscape hardscape construction plans.
7. Prepare preliminary landscape irrigation plans.
8. Prepare preliminary landscape planting plans.
9. Prepare preliminary landscape construction detail plans.
10. Prepare preliminary traffic signal modifications including traffic signal poles, vehicle heads, pedestrian heads, detection, IISNS, conduit, controllers and service cabinets. The following is a list of the locations for the traffic signal modifications along Alondra Boulevard:
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11. Prepare preliminary street lighting plans for Alondra Boulevard project limits. The street lighting plans will need to be approved by the Los Angeles County Public Works (LACPW) – Traffic and Lighting Division prior to being sent to Southern California Edison (SCE) for design. The City of Paramount street lighting is part of a County of Los Angeles lighting district. Willdan will verify the existing lighting illuminance by performing a photometric analysis; recommend wattage changes if needed and review if LED fixtures will be permitted by SCE and LACPW lighting district for use on this project.
12. Prepare preliminary signing and striping modification plans for Alondra Boulevard.
13. Develop preliminary cost estimates.

STORM WATER QUALITY

Identify preliminary drainage/BMP structure improvements, based on hydrology, hydraulic calculations, and water quality issues. The scope of work will also include preliminary feasibility study, preparation of documentation needed to justify the proposed facilities, and BMPs to reach the green street limits established by the City of Paramount. We understand that the City is looking at the feasibility of incorporating the new medians with a depressed profile rather than a mounded one. The City can also consider the use of Filterra tree well systems to remove the heavy metals and other sediment driven pollutants.

UTILITY COORDINATION

1. Submit notification to affected agencies and utility companies of proposed project.
2. Submit copies of the preliminary plans to affected utilities and agencies.
3. Coordinate with utility companies to implement upgrade of its facilities, as needed, within the project limit.

COST-BENEFIT ANALYSIS FOR UNDERGROUNDING OVERHEAD UTILITY FACILITIES

1. Meet with key project team members to review the scope, schedule, and goals and refine as appropriate.
2. Work with the project team to refine the identified alternatives and identify any additional alternatives or sub alternatives for the analysis.
3. Gather data on the cost and benefits of undergrounding the electrical utilities. This will include estimates of construction of the new underground lines, ongoing



maintenance and related costs, and an analysis of the benefits, both direct and indirect. We will also review the implications for the design and cost of the overall capacity enhancement project, as appropriate.

4. Gather data on the costs and benefits of relocating the electrical utility lines. This will include the costs of constructing new lines, costs of acquisition of necessary right of way, and related costs such as safety and reliability issues from the presences of physical lines and poles near the lanes of traffic. We will also review the implications for the design and cost of the overall capacity enhancement project, as appropriate.
5. Provide benefits comparison. A key component of the analysis will be a comparison of the relative implications of each alternative. Because the electrical lines and its related components, such as poles, are away from the public and the weather, undergrounding potentially offers a range of safety and reliability advantages that will be evaluated. On the on the other hand, underground utilities can be more difficult to maintain and repair due to more difficult access. We will evaluate these factors and compare them.
6. Compile data and analysis into a cost benefit analysis report. The report will document all data, assumptions, and conclusions regarding the benefits and costs of the alternatives and the comparison between them. The report will also identify any additional steps that may be necessary to inform the selection of an alternative.
7. Attend meetings with the team, stakeholders, related parties, and the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC), as well as presentations and discussions of results. This scope includes four meetings.

UTILITY UNDERGROUNDING COORDINATION

1. Coordinate with SCE for the utility undergrounding of overhead distribution and transmission power poles.
2. Coordinate with other agencies for the utility undergrounding of their overhead utility facilities.

METRO INVOICING AND REPORTING

1. Organize and prepare copies of paid invoices and canceled checks for quarterly reimbursement invoicing submittals to Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro).
2. Draft Quarterly Expenditure Reports (MOU Attachment D2) for City review; submit to Metro on behalf of City.



3. Assist City with final Reports and post-phase audit process.
4. Serve as City liaison with Metro for ongoing resolution of issues regarding Report submittals and invoice processing.

SCHEDULE

Willdan will provide the above scope of services for preliminary engineering services within one year of the Notice-to-Proceed with design.

FEE

Our proposed lump sum fee for the above scope of services is as follows:

• Project Management	\$31,030
• Design Survey	176,390
• Geotechnical Report	42,945
• Street and Median Island Concept Plan	45,855
• Landscape Concept Plan	41,845
• Environmental CEQA Documentation	250,000
• Records Research and Field Reviews	9,500
• Preliminary Design (35% Completion)	
Civil Design	107,210
Storm Drain Design	20,250
Traffic Design	102,790
Landscape Design	57,155
• Storm Water Quality	30,140
• Utility Coordination	13,705
• Cost-Benefit Analysis for Undergrounding	
Overhead Utility Facilities	150,000
• Utility Undergrounding Coordination	35,610
• Metro Invoicing and Reporting	<u>20,575</u>
Total Lump Sum Fee	\$1,135,000

PROJECT TEAM

- Adel Freij, PE - Project Manager
- Dave Knell, PLS – Design Survey
- Mohsen Rahimian, PE, GE – Geotechnical Report
- Sal Lopez - Environmental CEQA Documentation
- Fred Wickman, PE – Civil/Storm Drain Design
- Jeff Lau, PE, TE – Traffic Design



- John Hidalgo, RLA – Landscape Design
- Chris Kelley, PE - Storm Water Quality
- Tami Boeltl - Utility Coordination
- James Edison - Cost-Benefit Analysis
- Bill Pagett, PE - Utility Undergrounding Coordination
- Jane Freij – Metro Invoicing and Reporting

Please indicate the City's approval and authorization to proceed by either printing out and signing two originals and returning one hard copy original to our office, or by scanning one signed original and returning it by email.

Thank you for giving us the opportunity to assist the City of Paramount. If you have any questions, please contact me at (562) 364-8486 or afreij@willdan.com.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLDAN ENGINEERING



Adel M. Freij, P.E.
Director of City Engineering

Approval and Authorization to Proceed by:

CITY OF PARAMOUNT

Signature

Date

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