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Consent Calendar





BACKGROUND

- Affordable housing grant agreement
- Assist with construction of a mixed-use commercial and senior assisted/independent living facility
 - 16675 16683 Paramount Boulevard
- Successor Agency for the Paramount Redevelopment Agency to review grant later this evening
- The Housing Authority will adopt a resolution of approval on the October
 5 Housing Authority consent calendar



BACKGROUND

- In January of this year, City Council approved Zone Change No. 230, changing zoning of subject site
 - C-3 to PD-PS/Mixed-Use Commercial and Senior Assisted/Independent Living Facility
- In February, City Council amended the zoning to require a CUP for all retail uses
 - Ensure that sufficient on-site parking was available
- Development Review Board approved design of project
- Properties currently occupied by a bar that is closed and an auto repair business



GRANT

- \$300,000 grant is from the Low-to-Moderate Income Housing Asset Fund
 - 2 units designated as affordable for 55 years
- Low-to-Moderate Income Housing funds may only be used to provide affordable housing
- Prior to disbursement of \$300,000 grant, applicant will provide a detailed financial statement of funding sources for project



GRANT

- Housing development will accomplish a number of goals:
 - · Provide for a growing need for affordable housing
 - Eliminate blighted property
 - Help meet RHNA allocation of affordable housing





RECOMMENDATION

 Adopt Resolution No. 21:030 authorizing an affordable housing grant in the amount of \$300,000 for a mixed-use commercial and senior assisted/independent living facility at 16675 – 16683 Paramount Boulevard

Strategic Outcome No. 1: Safe Community; No. 3: Economic Health; No. 4: Environmental Health; No. 5: Well Maintained Infrastructure







DRAFT RESPONSE TO WSAB EIR

- Comments to the West Santa Ana Branch light rail project environmental impact report
- Incorporate City Council comments into the response



BACKGROUND

- In July, the draft EIR was released for comments
 - Comments due by September 28
- Project involves a 19-mile light rail transit line from the City of Artesia to Downtown Los Angeles
- 1 station proposed in the City of Paramount
 - Northwest corner of Paramount Boulevard and Rosecrans Avenue
 - 2nd station planned on the Century Freeway as a transfer station to the C Line (Green)



BACKGROUND

- Funding from Measure M 0.5% sales tax
- Four alternatives
 - Range in cost from \$2.3 billion to \$8.8 billion
- Draft EIR includes mitigation measures to minimize project impacts
- A final EIR will be developed responding to comments from public agencies and the public



OVERVIEW AND ALTERNATIVES

- Alternative 1: Pioneer Station to Los Angeles Union Station (19.3 miles and 11 stations)
- Alternative 2: Pioneer Station to Metro Center (19.3 miles and 12 stations)
- Alternative 3: Pioneer Station to Slauson/A Line (Blue) (14.8 miles and 9 stations) Metro Staff Preferred Alternative
- Alternative 4: Pioneer Station to I-105/C Line (Green) (6.6 miles and 4 stations)
- 2 alternative maintenance and storage facilities proposed
 - Paramount Swap Meet
 - Bellflower Hollywood Sports property

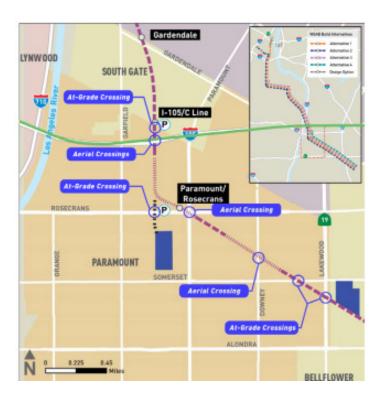


MAP OF 4 ALTERNATIVES



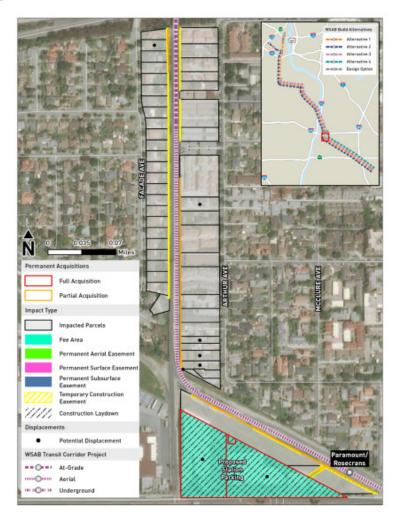


PARAMOUNT ROUTE AND CROSSINGS



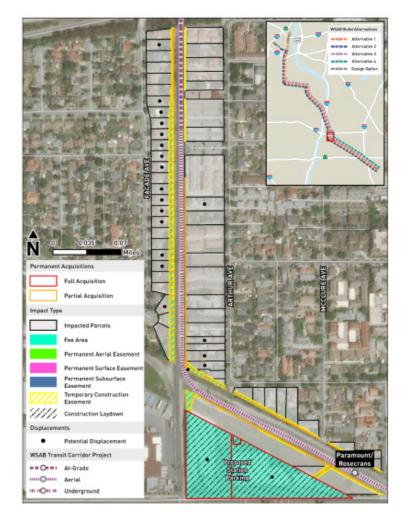


ACQUISITIONS WITHOUT MSF





ACQUISITIONS WITH MSF IN PARAMOUNT





CONSULTANT OVERVIEW OF DRAFT LETTER

 Marc Blodgett, from Blodgett Baylosis Environmental Planning, will give a presentation on the draft EIR letter



RECOMMENDATION

 Provide direction on comments to include in the response to the West Santa Ana Branch Transit Corridor project Environmental Impact Report and receive and file this report

Strategic Outcome No. 1: Safe Community; No. 2: Community Health; No. 3: Economic Health; No. 4: Environmental Health; No. 5: Well Maintained Infrastructure



Review of the Draft EIS/EIR for the WSAB Transit Corridor Project

September 21, 2021

What did we focus on?...

- Project elements that would adversely impact the City of Paramount...
- Critical flaws in the environmental analysis that would have impacts on the City...
- Identification of potential modifications to the project.

Opposition to Paramount MSF

- Paramount MSF Option and Bellflower MSF Option are being considered by Metro.
- Paramount MSF would result in the displacement of residential units along the LRT ROW.
- Business displacement (22 acres) including swap meet, drive-in theater, and manufacturing.
- Potential noise and toxic chemicals affecting the school and church.
- Clearwater Specific Plan could not be implemented.

Problems with proposed

- I-105 C station

 The station lacks sufficient parking which would lead to spillover parking impacts.
- Significant traffic impact on residential neighborhoods.
- The City is concerned about the use of stairways and/or escalators.
- Given the distance to the other stations (Paramount and Gardendale) the City recommends this station be used for transfers only.

Paramount/Rosecrans Station

- •City is concerned that the Station will lack sufficient parking. Up to 2,320 boardings are anticipated.
- •490 spaces will be provided while the projected demand is 530 spaces.
- •No parking studies were done.
- •City is concerned about pedestrian traffic especially school children.

Key Environmental Issues of Concern...

- Noise from safety equipment (signals and bells). 20-minute headways late at night and early morning.
- Height and appearance of the sound walls are unknown. Who will maintain the walls (graffiti).
- Dislocation of more than 700 small tenants of the Paramount Swap Meet.
- Dislocation of the City's only drive-in theater.

Key Environmental Issues of Concern...

- •City wants to make sure the bicycle trail is replaced.
- •Concerned about LRT conflicts with the ALT/Paramount Refinery truck traffic.
- •The traffic methodology used to analyze the traffic impacts was flawed.
- •City is concerned about having to pay the cost for security at the stations.

City of Paramount

Other concerns...

The City of Paramount has supported the development of Alternative 1 (Los Angeles Union Station to the Pioneer Station). We also look forward to working together with the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro) and our elected representatives so that we can continue to obtain funding to build this line in an equitable and sustainable manner.

Our communities were some of the strongest supporters of Measures R and M. <u>As much as we support the project, our cities, especially after COVID-19 losses, do not have the financial means to provide MTAs requested 3% local match.</u> We ask that Metro work with the cities on identifying non city general funds that can recognized as that match.

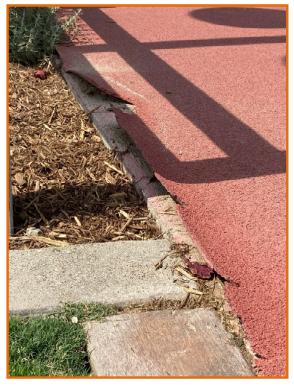




Salud Park Walking Track









Bid Process

- Bid Opening September 16, 2021
- · One bid received
- Bid from Beynon Sports Surfaces \$181,000
- FY 22 Budget \$185,000

Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Council award the contract for Salud Park Walking Track Replacement (City Project No. 9263) to Beynon Sports Surfaces, Inc., Fresno, California, in the amount of \$181,000.

Strategic Outcome No. 5: Attractive and Well Maintained Infrastructure







Sport Court Repainting

- Paramount Park
 - 1 full court
- Progress Park
 - 2 full courts
- Village Park
 - 1 full court
- Spane Park
 - 2 half courts







Bid Process

- Bid Opening September 16, 2021
- Two bids received
- Apparent low bid Pacific Tennis Courts, Inc. \$55,554
- High Bid amounted to \$78,148
- FY 22 Budget \$55,000 Will require midyear budget adjustment

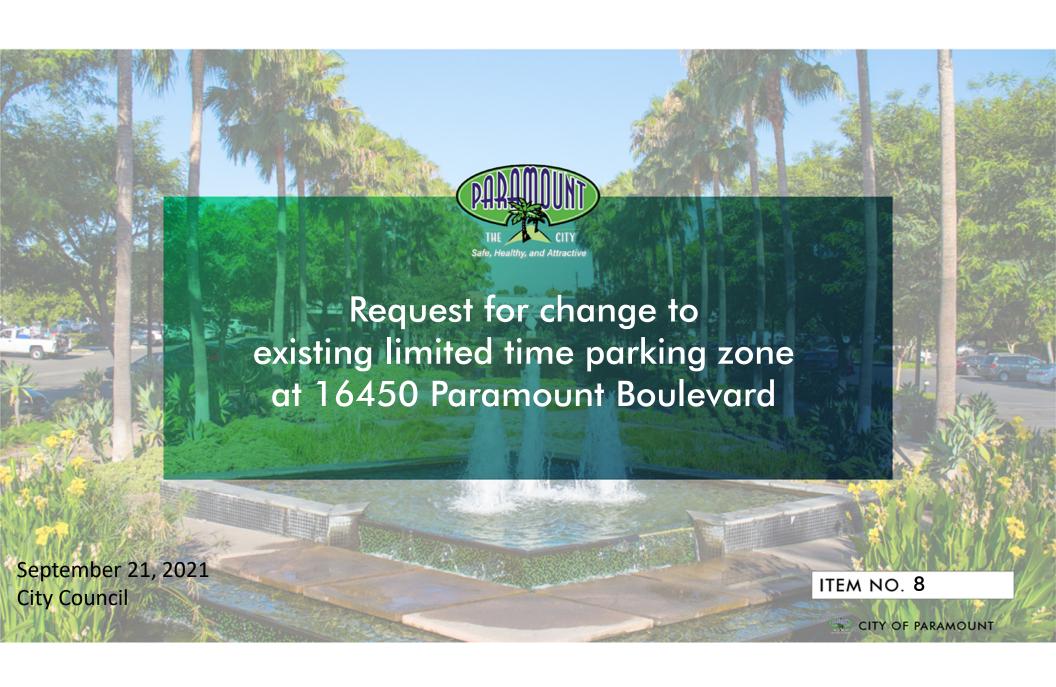
Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Council award the contract for Sport Court Repairs (City Project No. 9250) to Pacific Tennis Courts, Inc., Moorpark, California, in the amount of \$55,554.

Strategic Outcome No. 5: Attractive and Well Maintained Infrastructure







Existing Conditions



ITEM NO.8

CITY OF PARAMOUNT

Existing Conditions





Proposed Conditions

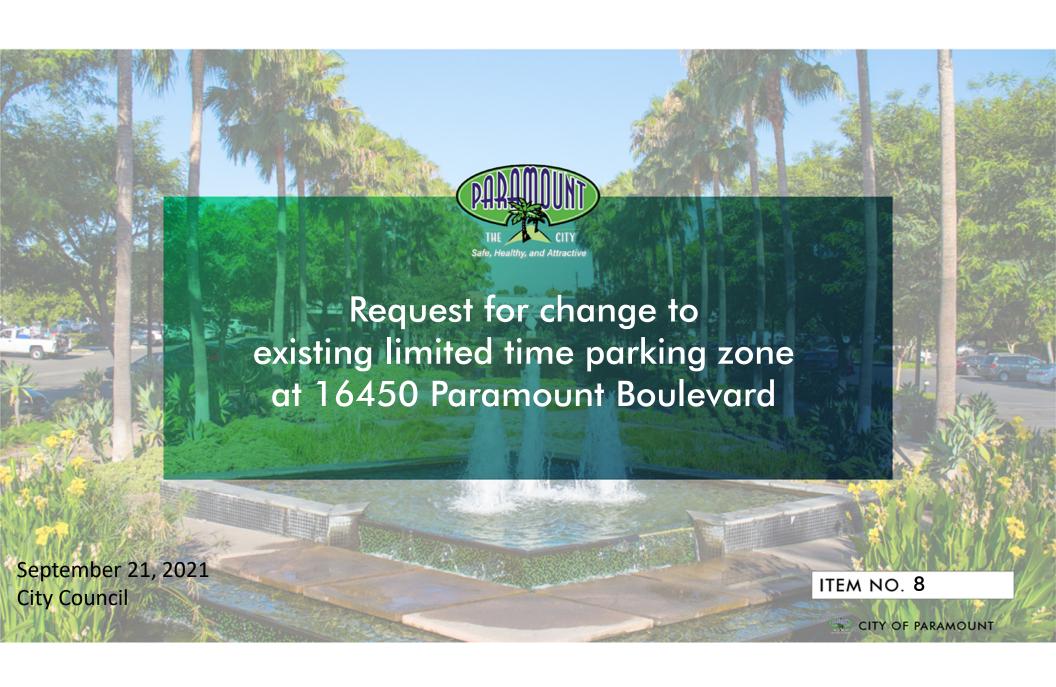


Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Council approve or deny the requested change to the existing limited time parking zone at 16450 Paramount Boulevard.

Strategic Outcome No. 1: Safe Community









Background

- » March 2020, State and L.A. County declared public health emergencies due to COVID-19
- » August 2020, State allowed outdoor dining to enable social distancing
- » Paramount Al Fresco Temporary Outdoor Dining
- » COVID-19 Health Orders expired June 15, 2021





Paramount Al Fresco

- » 14 participating restaurants (about 10 still operating)
- » 9 unpermitted restaurants
 - » 6 unpermitted restaurants are no longer operating
 - » 2 Code Enforcement cases open for unpermitted restaurants
- » Letters sent to all Restaurants informing of the new changes
 - » No firm end date for permitted restaurants
 - » Staff





Future Concerns and Liability

» As mentioned, City relaxed it laws under Health Order protections to allow outdoor dining



» California Joint Powers Insurance Authority (CJPIA): safety and regulation measures to continue outdoor dining



» Examples are: Safety barriers to protect patrons from vehicles; City liability for permitting these risks; ADA access.





Moving Forward

- State and County Public Health Orders and COVID-19 restrictions ended
 - Businesses getting back to normal
 - Indoor dining now permitted
 - Currently, the PMC does not allow for temporary outdoor dining
 - City will continue to monitor COVID-19











Permanent Outdoor Dining Alternative

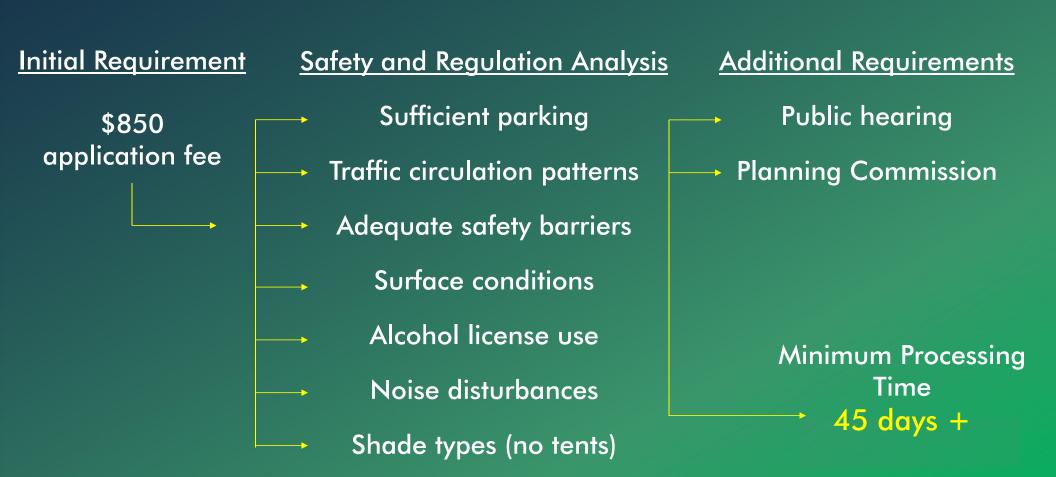
» Paramount Municipal Code (PMC) requires restaurant owners interested in outdoor dining to modify their Conditional Use Permit (CUP)

To Apply:

- Pay an application fee
- Pass safety & regulation analysis
- Obtain Planning Commission approval



CUP Application Process



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Dine. Shop. Experience.







ITEM NO. 9

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Dine Paramount







Upcoming Paramount Dine events and promotions coming soon...

- **Paramount Dine promotions**
- Micro Paramount Dine events
- Month-long "Paramount Food Tour"









Next Steps

Collaborate with Chamber of Commerce to encourage restaurateurs to participate in upcoming Dine Paramount events

Promotional Strategies:

- Social media
- Billboard advertisement
- Local publications



Business Recovery Committee

- » Business Recovery meeting to discuss future of Al Fresco
- Note: 12 participants, including four restaurateurs, Chamber of Without Al Fresco Commerce and Southeast L.A. County Workforce dining, we wouldn't Development Board (SELACO) participated have survived." Casa Gamino
 - Discussed future outdoor dining uses
 - Collaborated creative ideas
 - Instructed about CUP application process

"We were able to keep our employees because of Al Fresco dining."-Casa Adelita





Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Council discuss this report and provide input.

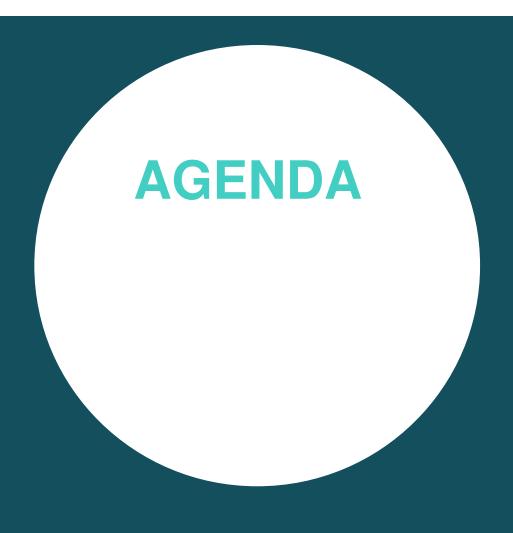
Strategic Outcome No. 3: Economic Health – Support a healthy, sustainable economy reflecting community values.



OVERVIEW PRESENTATION SAFE CLEAN WATER

PRESENTED BY THE WATERSHED COORDINATOR





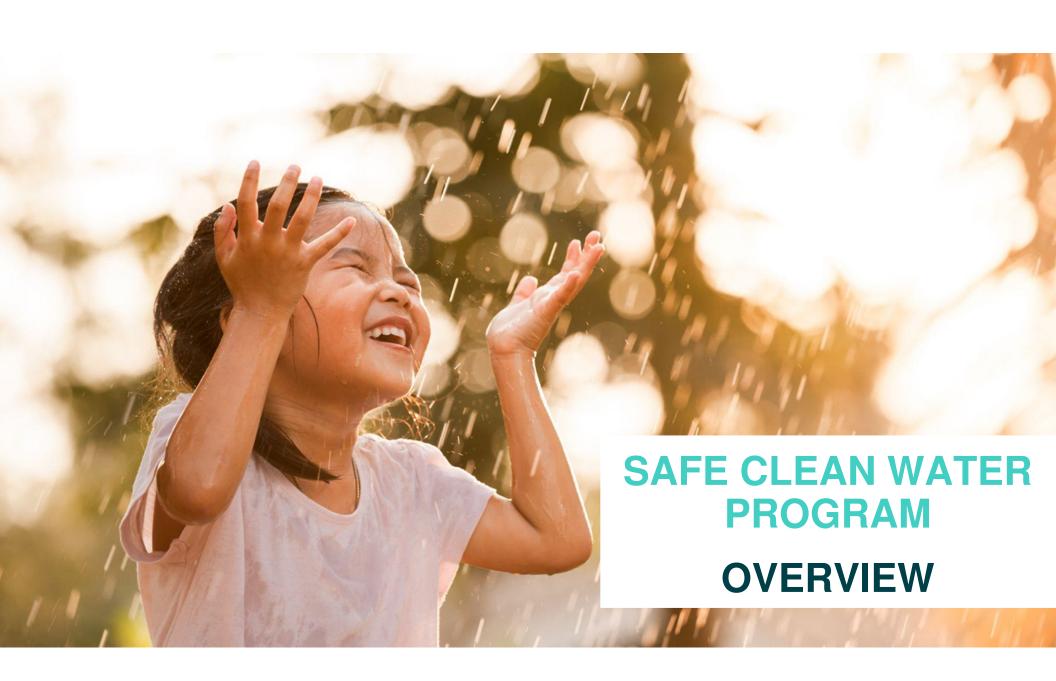
SAFE CLEAN WATER PROGRAM

Mission
Source of Funding
Types of Programs

EXAMPLES OF PROJECTS

WATERSHED COORDINATOR

Who am I?





SAFE CLEAN WATER PROGRAM

PASSED AS 'MEASURE W' IN 2018

VISION:

By modernizing our 100-year-old water system, we can better protect public health and our environment, and maximize a cleaner, locally controlled water supply.

HOW?

Through the funding of:

multi-benefit stormwater & urban runoff capture projects

WHO?





CAPTURE IT

Increase water supply



CLEAN IT

Reduce volume of trash that reaches waterways and the ocean



MAKE IT SAFE

Eliminate toxins and chemicals from our waterways



MAKE IT FOR EVERYONE

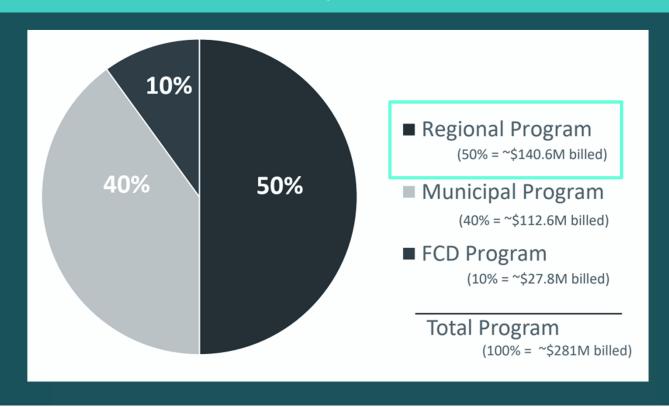
Provide community benefits



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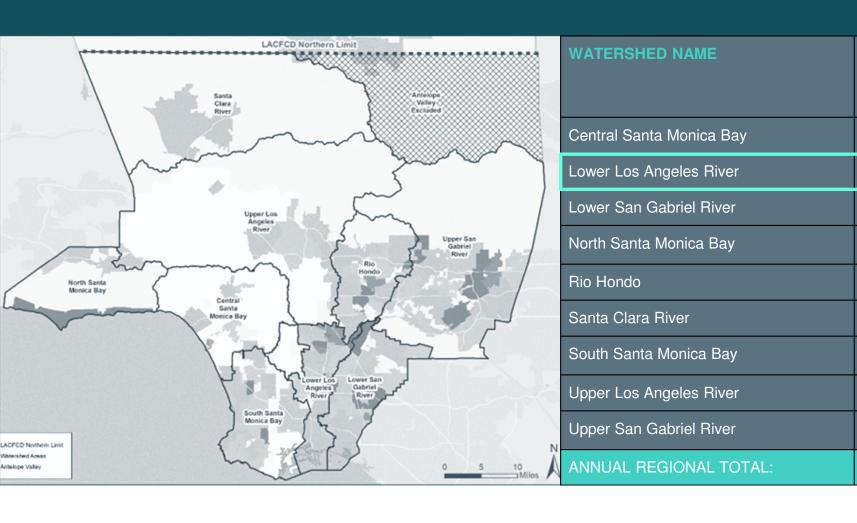
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2.5 cents per square foot of impermeable surface area properties in the LA County Flood Control District.



REGIONAL PROGRAM

The percentage of funds received by each Watershed Area is proportional to the tax revenues collected within its boundaries



2020-21

\$17.42M

\$12.72M

\$16.56M

\$1.83M

\$11.49M

\$5.87M

\$17.58M

\$38.44M

\$18.78M

\$140.6M

REGIONAL TAX RETURN

TYPES OF PROGRAMS FUNDED

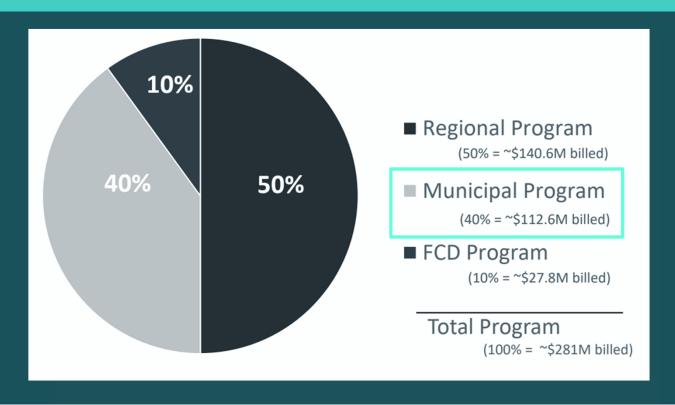
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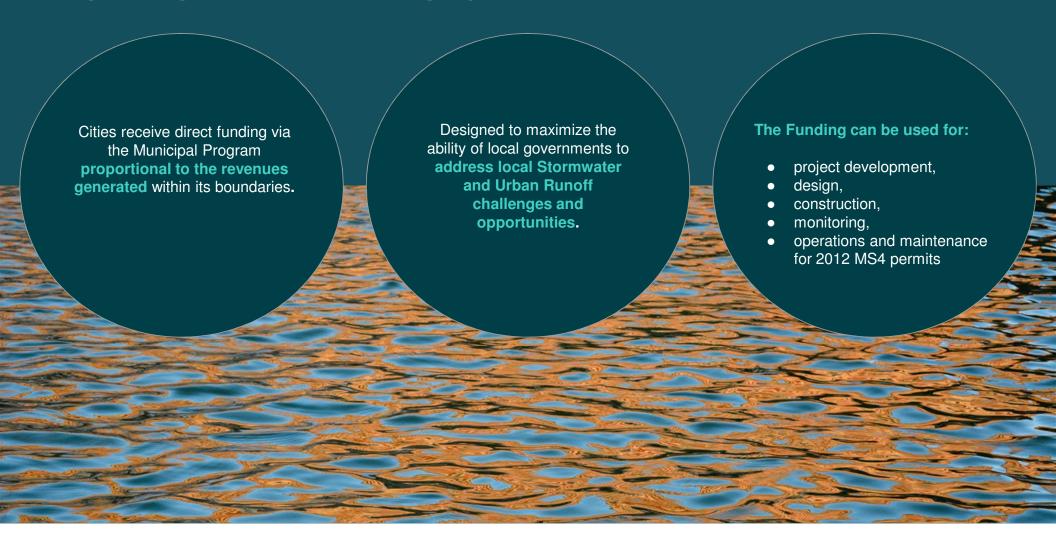
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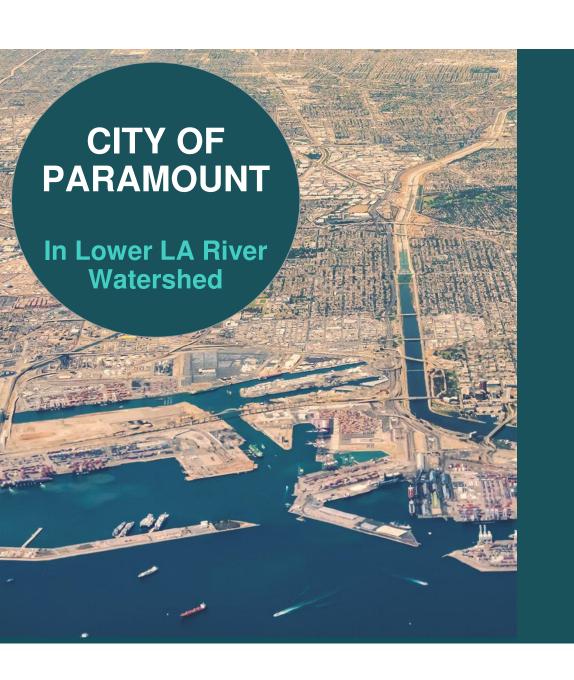
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MUNICIPAL PROGRAM:





Municipal Funds Allocated To Paramount in FY20-21:

\$650,000



INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM PROJECT EXAMPLE URBAN ORCHARD IN SOUTH GATE

A multi-benefit park project with an integrated dry weather runoff treatment facility.

FUNDED IN: 2021

AMOUNT: \$5,438,000 for construction and O&M

PROJECT LEAD: City of South Gate

WATERSHED: Lower LA River

PROJECT FEATURES:

- Wetland with infiltration gallery
- Educational garden and food orchard
- Nature-based playground honoring Tongva history
- Multi-use paths and community building
- Heavily incorporated community input
- Serves disadvantaged communities



LONG BEACH MUNICIPAL URBAN STORMWATER TREATMENT

Project is a facility to capture and treat stormwater to be recycled for greenspace irrigation and for a constructed wetlands.

FUNDED IN: 2020

AMOUNT: \$9.8 Million for design and construction

PROJECT LEAD: City of Long Beach

WATERSHED: Lower LA River

PROJECT FEATURES:

- Facility will treat non-stormwater and initial stormwater from upstream cities
- Treated water will be used to irrigate parks and greenspace around Freeway 170
- Wetland pond will be created





INFILTRATION FACILITY SPANE PARK

Just approved for funding last week by the Board of Supervisors as part of the FY20-21 Strategic Investment Plan

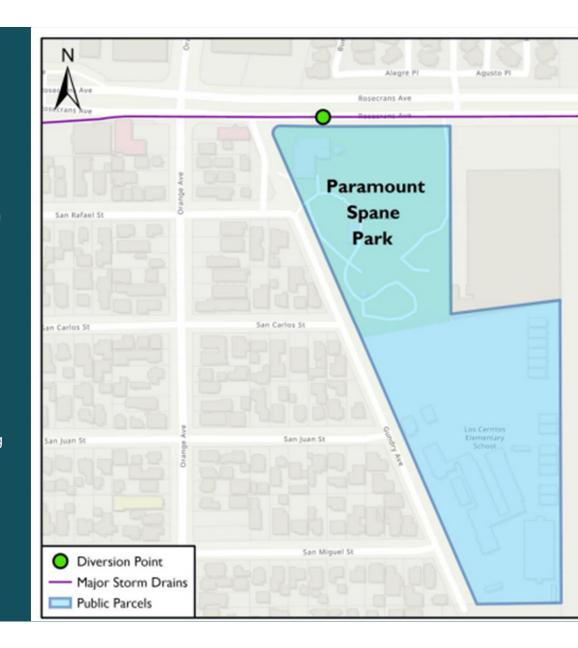
FUNDED IN: 2021

AMOUNT: \$891,984 (Design)

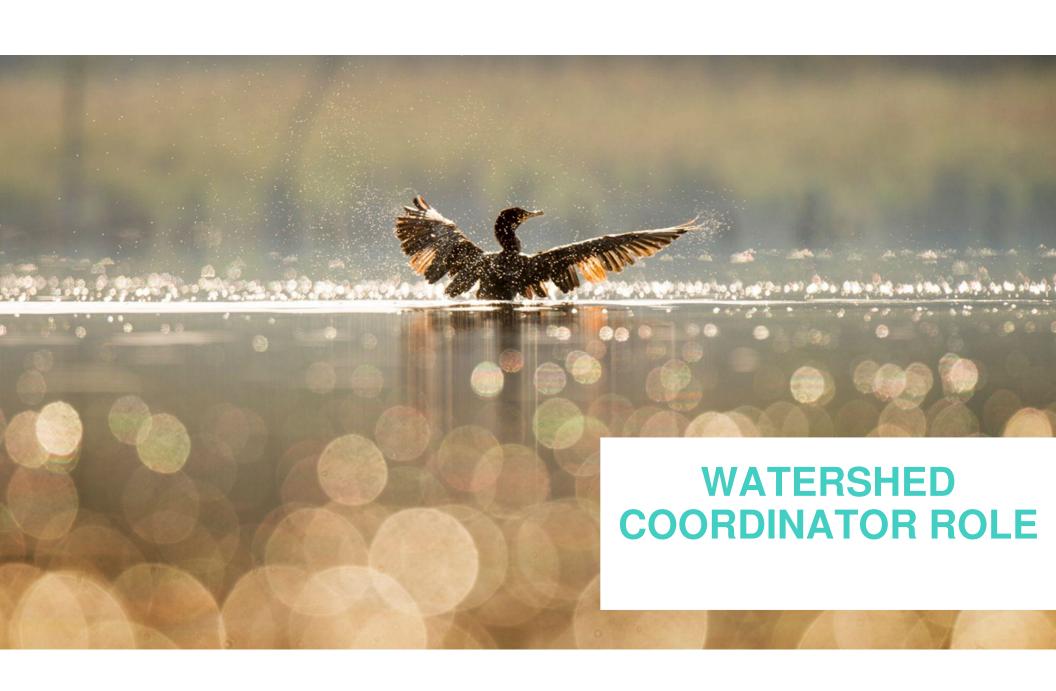
PROJECT LEAD: City of Paramount

PROJECT FEATURES:

- Installation of a 3.5-acre-foot capacity regional stormwater capture and infiltration facility.
- Other components include a bioswale, ephemeral stream, permeable pavements and bioretention areas within parking lots and pathways and native CA landscaping.
- Project connected to aquifer and will augment groundwater supply.
- Park facilities will also be rehabilitated and will include the first public-use soccer field in city.







WATERSHED COORDINATOR ROLE:

Each of the 9 watershed has an assigned Coordinator or team of Coordinators (depending on watershed size)

Solicit & Support New Projects

Community Engagement about projects

Public Education about the Program





safecleanwaterla.org

LOWER LOS ANGELES RIVER
WATERSHED COORDINATOR
Tara Dales

tdales@sgamarketing.com





BACKGROUND

- Request to award a contract for air monitoring services
- Contract to sample air in 5 locations in the City for a one-year period
- SCAQMD performed air sampling from fall 2016 until December 2020 at numerous locations throughout the City
 - Air monitoring ceased due to COVID-19
- Air monitoring began on a reduced level of 5 locations in the City July
 - SCAQMD utilizing City's 5 air monitors
 - Sampling taking place every 6 days
 - Ending this month



REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

- With assistance of SCAQMD a request for proposals was prepared and sent to 5 businesses offering air monitoring services
 - 5 businesses were recommended by the SCAQMD
- Proposals call for testing every 6 days using the City's 5 monitors
- Proposal requirements:
 - Testing lab that can detect hexavalent chrome at levels less than 0.06 ng
 - Knowledge and experience of air monitoring systems, methods, and analysis
 - Experience in developing air monitoring programs
 - Experience in data analysis and interpretation



REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

- Proposal requirements continued
 - Ability to post test results to City's website within 7 days
 - Communicate immediately to the SCAQMD and City if highly elevated levels of hexavalent chrome are detected
 - Submission of raw data within 1 week



PROPOSALS SUBMITTED

3 proposals submitted

• Airkinetics: \$128,629

• T and B Systems: \$159,877

• Alliance: \$240,000

- Recommended that contract be awarded to T and B Systems
 - With an additional \$5,500 for a meteorological system
 - Total contract \$165,377
- Low bidder, Airkinetics, provides testing services to Weber Metals and Press Forge Company
 - Could be viewed as a conflict of interest



PROPOSALS SUBMITTED

- State law allows consideration of factors other than cost for a professional services contract
- City's purchasing policy also allows consideration of factors other than cost for professional services
- Reference checks were made
 - Each agency responded very positively



BUDGET

- \$100,000 budgeted for air monitoring services in FY 2022 budget
- Anticipate spending \$124,033 in FY 2022
 - Request additional appropriation of \$24,033 to take us to the end of the fiscal year
 - Budget remaining \$44,344 in the FY 2023 budget



RECOMMENDATION

 Award contract for air monitoring services to T and B Systems in the amount of \$165,377 and appropriate additional funds of 24,033 for FY 2022

Strategic Outcome No. 1: Safe Community; No. 3: Economic Health; No. 4: Environmental Health









Background

- October 6, 2021
- Project with the Coalition for Clean Air
- Statewide effort to unite communities to improve community health & sustainability
- City Council has approved resolutions since 2019 to support Coalition's initiatives



Clean Air Day 2021

- Social media campaign
 - Clean Air Day social media tool kit
 - Encourage residents to take photos of themselves engaging in Clean Air Day activities and tagging
 Paramount social media pages
- Highlights Climate Action Plan; City zero-emission vehicles; upcoming bicycle infrastructure ordinance



Clean Air Day 2021

Encourage residents to report contaminants in the air



1-800-CUT-SMOG to report excessive odors, smoke, dust, and other contaminates not related to vehicles



1-800-END-SMOG to report any smoking vehicles OURCES BOARD or idling commercial vehicles



Recommendation

Adopt Resolution No. 21:031

Strategic Outcome No. 1: Safe Community; No. 2: Community Health; No. 4: Environmental Health







CITY COUNCIL MEETING

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Adjournment