

# **DIANNE JACOB**

SUPERVISOR, SECOND DISTRICT
SAN DIEGO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

#### AGENDA ITEM

**DATE:** October 31, 2012

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**TO:** Board of Supervisors

**SUBJECT:** RAMPING UP THE LAKESIDE SKATEBOARD PARK (DISTRICT: 2)

**SUMMARY:** 

#### Overview

Lindo Lake County Park is a 45-acre community park located in the unincorporated community of Lakeside (Thomas Guide page 1232, B-5). This park features the Lakeside Community Center, Teen Center, a softball field, tennis courts, a fishing lake, a 1.5-mile trail around Lindo Lake, a fitness walk, horseshoe pits, and family and group picnic areas.

The community of Lakeside has a growing population of skateboarders who currently use existing busy public streets, parking lots and other places to skate. However, the continued use of these areas for recreation has resulted in damage to public and private structures and places children at risk for injury because there is no place within Lakeside where youth can ride their skateboards safely.

The requested action will establish appropriations of \$603,290 in Capital Project 1017857, Lakeside Skate Park Construction based on \$195,880 from Capital Project 1005258 Lakeside Baseball Park and Lakeside Park Lands Dedication Ordinance funds of \$407,410. The requested action will also: (a) authorize the Director of Parks and Recreation to identify a community organization and to negotiate and execute an agreement with that organization for volunteers and annual maintenance payments to the County of approximately \$13,000; and (b) authorize the Director of Purchasing and Contracting to advertise and award a construction contract estimated at \$460,000 including contingency. Remaining project funds, estimated at \$143,290 will be used for related project costs, including, survey, material testing, inspection and project management.

# Recommendation(s) SUPERVISOR JACOB

1. Find in accordance with Section 15301 of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines that the proposed Lakeside Skate Park project is exempt from CEQA because the project involves minor alterations of the existing park, but no expansion of the park.

- 2. Cancel appropriations of \$195,880 and related Operating Transfer from the General Fund in the Capital Outlay fund for Capital Project 1005258, Lakeside Baseball Park to provide funds for Lakeside Skate Park.
- 3. Establish appropriations of \$407,410 in Lakeside Park Lands Dedication Ordinance Fund, Operating Transfer Out, for construction and related activities at Lakeside Skate Park, based on fund balance available. (4 VOTES)
- 4. Establish appropriations of \$603,290 in the Capital Outlay Fund for Capital Project 1017857, Lakeside Skate Park Construction Project based on an Operating Transfer from the General Fund (of \$195,880) and the Lakeside Park Lands Dedication Ordinance Fund (\$407,410). (4 VOTES)
- 5. Authorize the Director of Parks and Recreation to identify a community organization acceptable to the Director and to negotiate and, upon approval of County Counsel, to execute an agreement with that organization to provide volunteers to the County to do routine maintenance of the Lakeside Skate Park and to provide approximately \$13,000 per year to the County for additional maintenance costs of the Skate Park.
- 6. Authorize the Director, Department of Parks and Recreation to accept \$65,000 from the Lakeside Highway Lions Club as security to be used if the community organization fails to meet its funding and volunteer obligations.
- 7. Direct the Auditor and Controller to create a Lakeside Skate Park interest bearing trust fund for holding of security deposit and annual maintenance payments.
- 8. Authorize the Director, Department of Purchasing and Contracting, to advertise and award a construction contract and take any other action authorized by Section 401 et seq. of the Administrative Code with respect to contracting for the construction of the Lakeside Skate Park project.

#### Fiscal Impact

Funds for this request are not budgeted in the Fiscal Year 2012-13 Operational Plan for the Capital Outlay Fund. If approved, this request will result in current year costs and revenue of \$603,290 for Capital Project 1017857, Lakeside Skate Park Construction. The funding sources are Operating Transfers from Lakeside Park Lands Dedication Ordinance Fund (\$407,410) and from the General Fund (\$195,880) due to completed Capital Project 1005258, Lakeside Baseball Park. There will be no change in current year net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

A construction contract will be awarded in the amount of \$460,000 including contingency, for installation of a skate park at Lindo Lake County Park. An estimated

\$143,290 will be used for survey, material testing, inspection and project management. Upon project completion, annual maintenance of the improvements will be completed by the Department of Parks and Recreation and the volunteers provided by the community organization.

In partnership with the Lakeside Highway Lions Club, the Lakeside Skate Park Committee (LSPC) has raised \$65,000 that will be held in trust as security should the community group fail to meet its commitments to do routine maintenance work and to provide funds for additional maintenance work. The LSPC has expressed an interest in providing 180 hours of volunteer time for annual maintenance work at the skate park and in identifying a community organization that will provide approximately \$13,000 in annual maintenance funding each year. The maintenance funds will be provided to the County at the beginning of each fiscal year. The \$65,000 and annual \$13,000 will be deposited into an interest earning County trust account.

### **Business Impact Statement**

N/A

### **Advisory Board Statement**

On September 7, 2011, the Lakeside Community Planning Group voted and approved \$407,410 in Lakeside Park Lands Dedication Ordinance funds for design and construction for the proposed Lakeside Skate Park project.

#### **BACKGROUND:**

Lindo Lake County Park is located in the unincorporated community of Lakeside and is one of the oldest and largest developed parks in San Diego's East County. Lindo Lake County Park is the recreational center of the community and features the Lakeside Community Center, Teen Center, a softball field, tennis courts, a fishing lake, a 1.5-mile trail around Lindo Lake, a fitness walk and exercise equipment, horseshoe pits, and family and group picnic areas.

A skate park in Lakeside has been a dream for youth and adults in the community for many years. Due to the growing population of skateboarders, safety concerns of street skateboarding, and the need for positive healthy activities for our youth, dedicated residents, activists, skateboarding enthusiasts and community leaders came together to form the Lakeside Skate Park Committee (LSPC) in July 2009. LSPC's mission is to establish a premier skate park in Lakeside where skaters can exercise in a clean, safe environment without endangering people or damaging property and to develop a well-maintained park open to skaters who are willing to uphold the park's rules and regulations.

LSPC has been actively involved in the planning, fundraising and designing of a skate park in the Lakeside Community. The Lakeside Planning Group approved \$45,000 of Lakeside PLDO funding to design plans for the proposed Lakeside Skate Park project. Funds were appropriated December 7, 2010 (30). On September 7, 2011, the Lakeside Community Planning Group approved \$407,410 in Lakeside Park Lands Dedication Ordinance (PLDO) funds for construction of the proposed Lakeside Skate Park project. The County contracted with Action Sports Development (ASD) to develop concept plans. ASD conducted several community

meetings and based its designs on the input and priorities identified by youth, adults and other stakeholders in the community. ASD submitted the design drawings to DPR in December 2011. The design plans call for an approximately 10,000 square foot concrete skate park including a skate bowl, rails and ramps.

DPR does not have funds for ongoing maintenance obligations of the Lakeside Skate Park. LSPC is not a legal entity that can enter into a contract, but is seeking to partner with a community organization that is a legal entity. DPR will maintain and operate the Skate Park provided that the community organization enters into an agreement with the County to provide volunteers to perform DPR approved ongoing routine maintenance, to provide maintenance security in the amount of \$65,000, and to provide an annual maintenance payment of approximately \$13,000 to cover additional maintenance work that DPR must perform. The \$65,000 represents five years worth of DPR's maintenance costs. DPR will only open the Skate Park to the public if an agreement has been reached with a community organization.

This action will authorize the Director of DPR to identify a community organization acceptable to the Director and to negotiate and execute an agreement with that organization. The agreement will obligate the community organization to do 180 hours per year of routine maintenance work, to pay \$65,000 as an initial maintenance security and to provide approximately \$13,000 annually to cover additional maintenance costs for the Lakeside Skate Park. The annual maintenance funding will be provided to the County at the beginning of each fiscal year. The first \$13,000 annual payment is due upon completion of the skate park. If completion is mid-fiscal year, the annual fee would be prorated until the beginning of the next fiscal year. DPR will be responsible for performing the maintenance work that is funded from the \$13,000 annual payment to the County.

In partnership with the Lakeside Highway Lions Club, LSPC has raised the \$65,000 that will be held in trust as security should the community group fail to meet its commitments to do routine maintenance work with volunteers and to provide funds for additional maintenance work. This \$65,000 and approximately \$13,000 annually for maintenance costs will be deposited into an interest earning County trust account for this limited purpose.

The requested action will establish appropriations of \$603,290 in Capital Project 1017857 Lakeside Skate Park Construction based on Operating Transfers from the General Fund (\$195,880) due to completed Capital Project 1005258 Lakeside Baseball Park and Lakeside Park Lands Dedication Ordinance Fund (\$407,410). The action will also authorize execution of an agreement by the Director, Department of Parks and Recreation with a community organization and authorize the Director, Department of Purchasing and Contracting to advertise and award a construction contract estimated at \$460,000 including contingency. Remaining project funds, estimated at \$143,290 will be used for related project costs, including survey, material testing, inspection and project management. The premier skate park will provide a safe location for youth in the community to skate.

#### **Environmental Statement**

The Lakeside Skate Park would be approximately 10,000 square feet in size and would be located in an existing park. Therefore, the project is exempt from California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) in accordance with Section 15301 of the CEQA Guidelines because the project consists of minor alterations to an existing park, but no expansion of the park.

### Linkage to the County of San Diego Strategic Plan

The requested actions to approve Lakeside Skate Park construction supports the Safe Communities and Healthy Families Strategic Initiatives in the County of San Diego's 2012-2017 Operational Plan by expanding parks and creating recreational experiences that engage youth and their families in activities that enrich quality of life.

Respectfully submitted,

DIANNE JACOB Supervisor, Second District

### **ATTACHMENT(S)**

Attachment A – Project Vicinity Map for the Lakeside Skate Park

# AGENDA ITEM INFORMATION SHEET

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<b>PREVIOUS RELEVANT BOARD ACTIONS:</b> Fiscal Year 2010-11 First Quarter Operational Plan Status Report and Budget Adjustments: December 7, 2010 (30), appropriated \$45,000 of Lakeside PLDO Funds to provide for the design of the Lakeside Skate Park project.								
<b>BOARD POLICIES APPLICABLE:</b> F-41, Public Works Construction Projects								
BOARD POLICY STATEMENTS: N/A								
MANDATORY COMPLIANCE: N/A								
ORACLE AWARD NUMBER(S) AND CONTRACT AND/OR REQUISITION NUMBER(S): Requisition Number 84486 for the Lakeside Skate Park								
ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT: District 2, Board of Supervisors								
OTHER CONCURRENCE(S): N/A								
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