

City of Carson Report to Mayor and City Council

November 15, 2011 New Business Consent

CONSIDER ACCEPTING GRANT FUNDS PROVIDED BY THE HOME DEPOT

SOCCER L.A. GALAXY/CHIVAS FOUNDATION AND MAJOR LEAGUE

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Submitted by Raymond R. Cruz

Public Services General Manager

City Manager

SUMMARY I.

The city of Carson has been awarded a \$10,000.00 grant from the Home Depot Foundation and a \$15,000.00 grant from Major League Soccer (MLS) L.A. Galaxy/Chivas Octagon for the restoration of community rooms, the grass entrance area of the Kids Club and the 9/11 Memorial area at Veterans Park (Exhibit Nos. 1 and 2). This project will be a one-day community build project similar to what was done at Friendship and Walnut Mini Parks. The \$15,000.00 granted by MLS L.A. Galaxy/Chivas Octagon will be given to the city in-kind through materials, supplies, and other items needed to do the renovations. The \$10,000.00 granted by the Home Depot Center will be given to the city in cash to purchase the picnic tables that will be located in an area near the 9/11 Memorial. The picnic tables will be purchased and installed at a later date. Tonight, the City Council is being asked to accept these grants.

RECOMMENDATION II.

TAKE the following actions:

- 1. ACCEPT the \$10,000.00 cash grant from the Home Depot Foundation and the \$15,000.00 in-kind grant from MLS L.A.Galaxy/Chivas Octagon.
- 2. APPROVE an increase in the FY 2011/12 General Fund Revenue budget by \$10,000.00.
- 3. APPROPRIATE the \$10,000.00 to the FY 2011/12 expenditure budget in account number 01-90-954-060-8003.

III. **ALTERNATIVES**

TAKE another action the City Council deems appropriate.

BACKGROUND IV.

The city of Carson has been awarded a grant for \$10,000.00 from the Home Depot Foundation and \$15,000.00 from the MLS L.A. Galaxy/Chivas Octagon to support the restoration of community rooms, the grass entrance area of the Kids Club and the 9/11 Memorial area at Veterans Park. These grants are a part of the Home Depot Foundation's and MLS L.A. Galaxy/Chivas Octagon's commitment to improving the resources and services provided to our nation's veterans.

Similar to the KaBoom projects, which in one day constructed a new playground at Friendship and Walnut Mini Parks, volunteers from both organizations, the Carson community and city staff will come together to complete the renovations. The \$15,000.00 granted by MLS L.A.Galaxy/Chivas Octagon will be given to the city in in-kind materials, supplies and other items needed to do the renovations. The \$10,000.00 granted by the Home Depot Foundation will be given to the city in cash to purchase the picnic tables that will be located in an area near the 9/11 Memorial. The date tentatively scheduled for these renovations to be made is November 17, 2011, from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

V. FISCAL IMPACT

Should the City Council accept the Home Depot Foundation and MLS L.A.Galaxy/Chivas Octagon grants, the \$10,000.00 will be deposited into account number 01-00-999-000-4906 and appropriated to account number 01-90-954-060-8003.

VI. EXHIBITS

- 1. Outline of Veterans Park Renovation Project. (pgs. 3-4)
- 2. Photo of the Meeting Rooms at Veterans Park. (pg. 5)

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Reviewed by: City Clerk	City Treasurer	
Administrative Services	Development Services	
Economic Development	Public Services	

	Action taken by City Council
Date	Action

2011 MLS Cup Community Project November 17, 2011 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

VETERANS PARK 22400 Moneta Ave in Carson, CA 90745

Primary Partners

MLS Soccer: Jan Greenberg

SUMworld: Russell Sargeant, Danny Urquia

Octagon Marketing: Aldo Kafie

The Home Depot

Heather Deda Sports Marketing:

The Home Depot Foundation: Sherry Caraway (Western Div Community Affairs Mgr) &

Wendy Weeks (Specialist)

Brad Litchfield (Store Manager) Team Depot District Captain:

Community Partner: Glory King (Galaxy Foundation)

Benefitting Organization: City of Carson Parks & Recreations

Cedric L. Hicks, Sr., Recreation Superintendent (310) 847-3570 CHicks@carson.ca.us

Project Theme: Park renovation project

Project Description

Project 1 - Outdoor Area

- Create 9/11-Themed picnic area for family gatherings. To include installing 9 picnic tables, planting 11 trees, leveling ground, create paver walkway to access children play area.
- In front of multi-purpose room #108 convert bare grass area to colorful flowers in flower beds, mulch, plant shrubs to control foot-traffic, install ground cover
- Refresh sand box and add mulch in tree areas
- Enhance gathering area with Veteran-theme mosaic art work

Project 2 - Indoor Area

- Paint multi-purpose room (children afterschool programs)
- Paint Kitchen
- Paint meeting room
- Installed new blinds in multi-purpose room, kitchen and meeting room
- General cleaning, flooring

Children Participation (10-13 years of age) 40 to 75

Elementary & Middle school is directly across from the park. Every day at 1 p.m. kids conduct sports activity at park

Budget: \$10,000

Volunteers: 40 to 50 **Project Run of Show (Draft)**

8:30 a.m.

Registration & Breakfast

9:00 a.m.

Kickoff

9:20 a.m. 12:00 p.m. - 12:30 p.m. Lunch

Project Starts

12:30 p.m.

Project Continues

1:00 p.m.

Players arrive/Kids Clinic/Participate in project (flexible 30 +/- minutes)

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Core Planning Team

Brad Litchfield - The Home Depot Team Depot District Captain/Store Manager Sherry Caraway - The Home Depot Foundation, Community Affairs Manager Wendy Weeks - The Home Depot Foundation, Community Affairs Specialist

Glory King - Galaxy Foundation, President

Cedric Hicks - City of Carson Parks & Recreation Superintendent

Mike Whitaker-City of Carson Parks & Recreation Ryan Feesago - City of Carson Parks & Recreation

Planning Timeline

<u>Planning</u>	<u>Timeline</u>	C T	Completed
Oct 21	Site Visit to Discuss Projects and Plan Task	Core Team	Compicted
Oct 24	Conference Call project updates	Core Team	
Oct 31	Conference Call project updates, Final volunteer count	Core Team	
Nov 07	Conference Call project updates, invite community dignitaries,	Core Team	
	Final tools/materials, confirm Run of Show Media Outreach	PR Teams	
Nov 14	Conference Call (optional)	Core Team	
Nov 15 Nov 16	Prep Day Team Depot Captains' group Prep Day (optional)	Team Depot Captains' group All	
Nov 17	Project Day		



