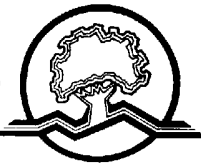


Attachment
SMMC Item 14
December 5, 2011



MOUNTAINS RECREATION & CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

Los Angeles River Center and Gardens

570 West Avenue Twenty-six, Suite 100

Los Angeles, California 90065

Phone (323) 221-9944 Fax (323) 221-9934

November 29, 2011

Mr. Antonio Gonzalez
Chairperson
Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy
5750 Ramirez Canyon
Malibu, California 90265

Request for Grant Augmentation - Proposition 84 Funds Improvements Franklin Canyon Park

Dear Mr. Gonzalez:

I am pleased to present the enclosed application for an augmentation of grant funding for improvements to Franklin Canyon Park. The MRCA requests a grant in the sum of \$200,000 from the Water Quality, Supply and Safe Drinking Water Projects, Coastal Wetlands Purchase and Protection Act (Proposition 50).

The proposed augmentation would fund additional capital improvements to the Sam Goldman Amphitheater, site improvements, and the Sooky Goldman Nature Center building. Please refer to the enclosed application for more information. If you have any questions regarding this, please contact Lisa Soghor at (323) 221-9944, extension 105.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'George Lange'.

George Lange
Chairperson

Attachments: Application

SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS CONSERVANCY GRANT APPLICATION – AUGMENTATION									
Project Name: Franklin Canyon Park Improvements		Amount of Request: \$ 200,000 Total Project Cost: \$ 650,000							
Applicant Name: Mountains Recreation & Conservation Authority									
Applicant Address: 570 West Avenue 26, Suite 100 Los Angeles, CA 90065 Phone: 323-221-9944 Fax: 323-221-9934		Project Address: 2600 Franklin Canyon Dr Beverly Hills, CA 90210 <table border="1"> <tr> <td>County</td> <td>Senate</td> <td>Assembly</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Los Angeles</td> <td>23</td> <td>42</td> </tr> </table> Email: Lisa.Soghor@mrca.ca.gov		County	Senate	Assembly	Los Angeles	23	42
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Brief Scope of Work (60 words maximum): Capital improvements to Franklin Canyon Park's visitor-serving amenities including the Sooky Goldman Nature Center Courtyard, Eugene and Michael Rosenfeld Auditorium, Sam Goldman Amphitheater, Doheny Ranch Picnic Area, Upper Picnic Area, Heavenly Pond Picnic Area, and park restrooms and fencing.									
Funding Source Applied for: Proposition 50									
Narrative/Project Description: <p>In 2006, the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy awarded grant funds to MRCA for capital improvements to Franklin Canyon Park's visitor-serving amenities. MRCA has since completed the planned improvements to the Sooky Goldman Nature Center Courtyard, Eugene and Michael Rosenfeld Auditorium, multiple picnic areas, park restrooms, and fencing. The granted funds were fully expended on these tasks, but additional capital improvements to the park are desired to increase accessibility, improve visitor experience, and reduce operating needs. The requested augmentation will be used for improvements to the Sam Goldman Amphitheater, site improvements, and improvements to the Sooky Goldman Nature Center building. These improvements will complement the work already completed at the park.</p> <p>Initially a minor refurbishment of the Sam Goldman Amphitheater was envisioned, but upon further investigation it became apparent that a more complete renovation is required to make a long-lasting facility with better accessibility. The existing amphitheater is in poor condition with wood plank seating, railroad tie steps, and a drooping log backdrop. Tree roots have uplifted the steps and the plank seats are splintered and in need of replacement. Improvements will consist of new permanent seats and steps, reconfiguration to provide accessible seating, and replacement of the backdrop with a solid structure that can serve as a screen wall and will incorporate storage for naturalist program materials.</p> <p>Site improvements are needed to better accommodate bus groups, amphitheater events, and general visitors. The area east of the amphitheater and nature center entrance will be reconfigured to provide a turnaround for buses and fire trucks, a drop-off area, accessible parking and paths, and clear wayfinding. The buildings were designed around a central plaza but entry to the nature center is off to the side. Detailed site design has not been completed, but a key goal is to increase accessibility with</p>									

minor changes to grading and circulation.

Some improvements to the Sooky Goldman Nature Center are also needed at this time. MRCA staff made an application to a California State Parks competitive program for a complete overhaul of the nature center, but was not awarded funds. In addition to new interpretive exhibits, those funds would have covered minor cost-effective renovations to the building itself. These minor renovations, including energy efficient lighting and additional seating, are still desired and would result in reduced operating expenses and an improved visitor experience.

The funding remaining in the original grant is insufficient to proceed with these tasks and therefore MRCA is requesting \$200,000 of additional funding.

Tasks / Milestones:

Estimated Budget:

1 Proposed Scope of Work

\$ 200,000

I certify that the information contained in this Grant Application form, including required attachments, is accurate.

Cara Meyer

Signature of Authorized Representative

11/29/2011

Date

Form SMM-001

STATE OF CALIFORNIA ♦ THE RESOURCES AGENCY

Franklin Canyon Park

Proposition 50 Grant Augmentation - Budget Estimate & Milestones

11/29/2011

Task 1 - Planning and Design Milestones

Consultant, Other Costs:		Expected duration
Lighting Consultant	\$ 2,500	4 weeks
Landscape Architect/Accessibility Consultant	\$ 3,500	4 weeks
Limited Topographic Survey	\$ 3,000	1 month
Permits and fees	\$ 1,500	TBD
Plans printing	\$ 800	N/A
Staff:		
Prepare as-built drawings	\$ 18,700	3 weeks, non-sequential
Site planning		5 weeks, non-sequential
Design of: ADA improvements, Stage backdrop, seating, lighting, wayfinding		2 months, non-sequential
Project management		Ongoing throughout project
Bidding services		3 weeks, repeated as necessary
Price and source materials		Ongoing throughout project
Task 1 Total		\$ 30,000

Task 2 - Construction Milestones

Area	Item	Estimated Cost	Expected duration
Amphitheater	New seats	\$ 20,000	3 weeks
Amphitheater	Rebuild steps	\$ 25,000	3 weeks
Amphitheater	Foundation work	\$ 20,000	1 month
Amphitheater	Backdrop, stage, storage	\$ 17,000	3 weeks
Amphitheater	Railings, lights, finishes	\$ 12,500	2 weeks
Site	Refurbish landscaping	\$ 6,000	1 week
Site	Reconfigure circulation, ADA pathways	\$ 22,500	3 weeks
Site	Wayfinding	\$ 3,500	6-8 weeks
Nature Center Building	Interior - energy-efficient lighting	\$ 15,000	1 month
Nature Center Building	Interior - additional seating	\$ 8,500	2 weeks
Nature Center Building	Interior - energy-efficient upgrades	\$ 20,000	6 weeks
Task 2 Total		\$ 170,000	

Proposition 84 Grant Total \$ 200,000

MOUNTAINS RECREATION AND CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

November 9, 2011 — Agenda Item IX

Resolution No. 11-145

**RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE MOUNTAINS RECREATION
AND CONSERVATION AUTHORITY AUTHORIZING REQUESTING A BUDGET
AUGMENTATION FOR GRANT SMM-0605 FROM THE SANTA MONICA
MOUNTAINS CONSERVANCY**

Resolved, That the Governing Board of the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority (MRCA) hereby:

1. FINDS that project name will provide significant public benefits; and
2. FINDS that the proposed action is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act.
3. ADOPTS the staff report and recommendations dated November 9, 2011.
4. AUTHORIZES requesting a budget augmentation for grant SMM-0605 from the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy in the amount of \$200,000.
5. AUTHORIZES any budget amendments as necessary.
6. AUTHORIZES the Executive Officer or his designee to do any and all acts necessary to carry out this resolution and any recommendations made by the Governing Board.
7. AUTHORIZES the Chair to sign the grant agreement if the grant application is approved by the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy.


Chair

AYES: Hayduk, Daniel, Lange

NOS: none

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ABSTAIN: none

ABSENT: Hasenauer

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing resolution was adopted at a special meeting of the governing board of the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority, duly noticed and held according to law, on the 9th day of November, 2011.

Date: 11/9/11



Executive Officer