BALDWIN HILLS REGIONAL CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

June 24, 2015- Agenda Item VIII

Resolution No. 15-04

RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE BALDWIN HILLS REGIONAL CONSERVATION AUTHORITY AUTHORIZING FUNDING A GRANT TO THE CITY OF CULVER CITY FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE HETZLER ROAD PEDESTRIAN TRAIL PROJECT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$100,000

WHEREAS, the Baldwin Hills Regional Conservation Authority (BHRCA) was established by the County of Los Angeles (County) and the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy for the purpose of providing a comprehensive program to acquire, expand, and improve open space, natural habitat, and recreational opportunities within the Baldwin Hills and other natural and recreational areas within the Second Supervisorial District;

WHEREAS, BHRCA has the power to authorize and fund construction, management, and maintenance of recreational and park facilities within the Baldwin Hills area; and

WHEREAS, the City of Culver City (City) desires to improve Hetzler Road to create a designated walking and jogging trail, which will allow pedestrians to avoid use of the roadway and thereby prevent conflicts with vehicular traffic and enhancing safety ("Hetzler Road Trail");

WHEREAS, the Hetzler Road Trail will become a segment of the Park to Playa Trail and will provide a key connection from Ballona Creek to the Baldwin Hills Scenic Overlook;

WHEREAS, the City's Department of Public Works has estimated that the total construction cost for the Hetzler Road Trail will be approximately \$1,091,000, which will be funded by Baldwin Hills Conservancy (\$791,000), Land Water Conservation Fund (\$150,000) Prop A Funding (\$50,000), City (\$50,000) and, if approved, BHRCA (\$100,000); and

WHEREAS, staff recommends proceeding with a grant in an amount not to exceed \$100,000 to provide the funding necessary to complete the Hetzler Road Trail project, which creates a safer environment, enhanced recreational opportunities for trail users along with providing a critical link to the Park to Playa Trail; and

WHEREAS, staff recommends that the Chairperson of the Governing Board of BHRCA be authorized to enter into a funding agreement with the City to contribute toward the cost of the construction of the Hetzler Road Trail project in an amount not to exceed \$100,000, subject to the project being performed by City employees or by contractors retained by City in compliance with standard City contracting requirements.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Board of BHRCA hereby authorizes its Chairperson to execute, upon approval as to form by County Counsel, a funding agreement with the City to contribute toward the cost of the construction of the Hetzler Road Trail project in an amount not to exceed \$100,000, subject to the project being performed by City employees or by contractors retained by City in compliance with standard City contracting requirements.

AYES:	Acting Chair
NOES:	
ABSENT:	
ABSTAIN:	
	esolution was adopted at a special meeting of the gional Conservation Authority, duly noticed and June, 2015.
Date:	Executive Officer