

DATE ISSUED: May 14, 2003 REPORT NO. 03-090

ATTENTION: Honorable Mayor and City Council
Docket of May 20, 2003

SUBJECT: San Diego Parks Master Plan Funding

REFERENCES: State 2002 Resources Bond (Prop 40) Per Capita and Roberti-Z' Berg Harris Per Capita funding & State 2000 Park Bond (Prop 12) Per Capita Funding
Manager's Report No. 03-049, approved by Rules Committee March 19, 2003
(revised)

SUMMARY

THIS IS AN INFORMATION ITEM ONLY. NO ACTION IS REQUIRED ON THE PART OF THE CITY COUNCIL.

BACKGROUND

On March 19, 2003, the Rules Committee approved the Manager's Report proposing an allocation method for the San Diego City share of the 2002 Resources Bond Per Capita and Roberti-Z' Berg Harris Per Capita funding. Councilmember Peters' motion to pass the item included a question of how the Resources Bond Per Capita could be used to fund development of a San Diego Parks Master Plan.

DISCUSSION

The 2002 Resources Bond language precludes the use of Per Capita funding for planning purposes only. In order to change the statute, the State legislature must approve an amendment to the Public Resources code which requires a 2/3 vote because it was initially enacted by a vote of the people. The Governmental Relations Department (GRD) and the City's Sacramento lobbyist advise that the most viable method to amend the statute will be to incorporate the appropriate legislative language into the FY 2004 State Budget, which also requires a 2/3 vote of the legislature. Staff will work with the City Attorney and GRD to develop the appropriate language and work in collaboration with the City's lobbyist to secure a member of the San Diego delegation to sponsor the amendment.

Respectfully submitted,

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