



REPORT TO CITY COUNCIL

DATE: JUNE 12, 2019

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

FROM: GREG RAMIREZ, CITY MANAGER 

BY: AMY BRINK, DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY SERVICES 

SUBJECT: APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 19-1896 APPROVING THE BLANKET AUTHORITY TO FILE APPLICATIONS FOR GRANT FUNDS FROM THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY REGIONAL PARK AND OPEN SPACE DISTRICT FOR MEASURE A FUNDING FOR PROJECTS AND PROGRAMS

In November 2016, seventy-five percent of Los Angeles County voters approved Measure A, which authorized dedicated local funding for parks, recreation, and open space projects and their maintenance through an annual special tax of 1.5 cents per square foot of building floor area on all taxable real property in the County. Similar propositions in 1992 and 1996 allocated funds to Agoura Hills and were critical components in park projects, such as the Chumash ballfields, Chumash play equipment, and the Equestrian Arena Renovation Project.

Funding will be available to eligible recipients, such as the City, for projects that repair and upgrade parks and recreational facilities, and preserve and protect open space. The Los Angeles County Regional Park and Open Space District (RPOSD) is the governing agency of Measure A funds from which the City of Agoura Hills will be receiving an annual allocation of \$77,429.85 to be used on parks, recreation, and open space projects.

Measure A implementation also includes efforts to update and maintain the 2016 countywide Comprehensive Parks and Recreation Needs Assessment (Needs Assessment) process and its data. It will utilize new technology to facilitate grant applications and provide more efficient oversight of the overall grant process. The design of Measure A intends to respond to the findings of the Needs Assessment by increasing the quantity and quality of parks, recreation facilities, beaches and open spaces, throughout Los Angeles County, with an emphasis on the areas of highest need.

Resolution 19-1896 approves the blanket authority to file applications with RPOSD for Measure A Funds for projects or programs. It also appoints the City Manager, or designee, to conduct all negotiations, and to execute and submit all documents, including, but not limited to, applications, agreements, amendments, payment requests, and so forth, which may be necessary for the completion of projects or programs.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff respectfully recommends the City Council adopt Resolution 19-1896; Approving the Blanket Authority to File Applications for Grant Funds from the Los Angeles County Regional and Park Open Space District for Measure A Funding Projects and Programs.

RESOLUTION NO. 19-1896

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF AGOURA HILLS,
CALIFORNIA, APPROVING THE BLANKET AUTHORITY TO
FILE APPLICATIONS FOR GRANT FUNDS FROM THE LOS
ANGELES COUNTY REGIONAL PARK AND OPEN SPACE
DISTRICT FOR MEASURE A FUNDING FOR PROJECTS
AND PROGRAMS**

WHEREAS, the voters of the County of Los Angeles on November 8, 2016, approved the Safe, Clean Neighborhood Parks, Open Space Beaches, Rivers Protection, and Water Conservation Measure (Measure A); and

WHEREAS, Measure A also designated the Los Angeles County Regional Park and Open Space District (the District) to administer said funds; and

WHEREAS, the District has set forth the necessary policies and procedures governing the application for grant funds under Measure A; and

WHEREAS, the District's policies and procedures require the governing body of the City of Agoura Hills to approve of the filing of an application before submission of said application to the District; and

WHEREAS, said application contains assurances that City of Agoura Hills must comply with; and

WHEREAS, City of Agoura Hills will enter into Agreement(s) with the District to provide funds for acquisition projects, development projects, and/or programs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE CITY OF AGOURA HILLS HEREBY:

1. Approves the blanket authority to file applications with the Los Angeles County Regional Park and Open Space District for Measure A Funds for projects or programs; and
2. Certifies that City of Agoura Hills understands the assurances and will comply with the assurances in the application form; and
3. Appoints the City Manager, or designee, to conduct all negotiations, and to execute and submit all documents including, but not limited to, applications, agreements, amendments, payment requests and so forth, which may be necessary for the completion of projects or programs.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED this 12th day of June, 2019, by the following vote to wit:

AYES: (
NOES: (
ABSTAIN: (
ABSENT: (
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Linda L. Northrup, Mayor

ATTEST:

Kimberly M. Rodrigues, MMC, City Clerk