



Date: May 26, 2016
To: Patrick H. West, City Manager *[Signature]*
From: Marie Knight, Director of Parks, Recreation and Marine *[Signature]*
For: Mayor and Members of the City Council
Subject: Promenade Square Park Playground Groundbreaking Ceremony

Mayor Robert Garcia, Vice Mayor Suja Lowenthal, and the Parks, Recreation and Marine and Public Works Departments invite you and your staff to attend the groundbreaking ceremony for the new playground at Promenade Square Park, located at 215 E. 1st Street. The ceremony will be held on Saturday, June 4, 2016, at 10:00 a.m.

In 2013, the Promenade Area Residents Association (PARA) approached the City with a recommendation to build a tot lot playground at Promenade Square Park, the first in the downtown area. PARA noted that there are many growing families in the downtown area and that the nearest playground was over one-half mile away. PARA worked with a playground design company, the community, and City staff to create the design, which includes a slide, climbing elements, a park bench, playground safety surfacing, all of which complement the sophisticated design of the Promenade.

At its April 21, 2016 meeting, the Parks and Recreation Commission unanimously recommended the approval of a tot lot playground at Promenade Square Park.

The total project cost is \$192,300, with funding coming from the City's capital infrastructure funds (\$75,000), Second District one-time divide by nine funds (\$75,000), Los Angeles County Supervisor Don Knabe (\$10,000), Downtown Long Beach Associates (\$10,000), the Promenade Area Residents Association (\$7,300), and the Molina Family Trust (\$5,000).

For more information regarding the event, please call Gladys Kaiser, Manager of Community Recreation Services, at (562) 570-3150. We look forward to seeing you at this exciting event.

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Attachment

C: Charles Parkin, City Attorney
Laura Doud, City Auditor
Tom Modica, Assistant City Manager
Arturo Sanchez, Deputy City Manager
Rebecca Jimenez, Assistant to the City Manager
CM Department Heads
Gladys Kaiser, Manager, Community Recreation Services

MAYOR ROBERT GARCIA,
VICE MAYOR
SUJA LOWENTHAL,
THE DEPARTMENTS OF
PARKS, RECREATION
AND MARINE AND
PUBLIC WORKS
INVITE YOU TO
ATTEND THE

Ground
Breaking
of the new
**PLAYGROUND AT
PROMENADE SQUARE
PARK**

Saturday, June 4, 2016

10 a.m.

Located at 215 E. First Street
Contact 570-3150 for more info.

