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Memorandum

Date: May 14, 2018

To: Patrick H. West, City Manager

From: Stephen Scott, Interim Director of Parks, Recreation and Marine

For: Mayor and Members of the City Council

Subject: **Los Angeles County Measure A Community Meeting at Houghton Park - May 24, 2018**

Since March 2015, the Los Angeles County Regional Park and Open Space District (RPOSD), in conjunction with Los Angeles County Department of Parks and Recreation and the 88 incorporated cities in the County, have conducted a Park Needs Assessment to evaluate the level of park needs throughout the County. More than 768,000 acres of parkland (including approximately 3,000 parks), 9,400 amenities, as well as the condition of amenities and infrastructure, were inventoried. As part of this effort, six community meetings were held in Long Beach giving residents the opportunity to identify and prioritize park projects in their neighborhoods and throughout the city. The Assessment led to an item on the November 2016 ballot whereby Los Angeles County voters approved the Safe, Clean Neighborhood Parks and Beaches Protection Measure of 2016 (County Measure A).

County Measure A assesses an annual parcel tax of 1.5 cents per square foot of development, which will result in estimated annual revenue of $94.5 million. County Measure A provides dedicated local funding for parks, recreation, beaches, open space, trails, cultural facilities, and related projects throughout Los Angeles County. The RPOSD is administering grant programs to distribute this funding.

The RPOSD has contracted with Community Nature Connection (CNC), a Los Angeles-based nonprofit organization, to engage community members around County Measure A implementation. CNC will be facilitating a community meeting in Long Beach, as well as meetings in different study areas across the County, to provide the following:

- Measure A Overview: introduction, expenditure plan, funding availability, ways the public can participate
- Question and Answer Session
- Meet and Greet: opportunity for community members to meet and talk with representatives from the RPOSD, the City of Long Beach, and other surrounding cities

The meeting in Long Beach will take place at Houghton Park Community Center, 6301 Myrtle Avenue, on Thursday, May 24, 2018, at 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. Please see attached flyer for more details. This is the RPOSD's only scheduled meeting in Long Beach.

If you have any questions, please call me at (562) 570-3172.

SS:MR:SGK

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Get Involved with Your Local Park Funding!

MEASURE A

Learn about Measure A - the Local Park Funding Measure, the upcoming grant programs, and how to get involved!

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ATTEND THIS MEETING NEAR YOU!

Thursday, May 24, 2018

7 pm - 9 pm

Houghton Park Community Center
6301 Myrtle Ave.
Long Beach, CA 90805

Language interpretation, activities for children 5+, and refreshments will be provided at all meetings. The same information will be presented at all meetings.

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MEASURE A

!Ven a aprender sobre la Medida A - la Medida Local para Financiar Parques, los programas de fodos venideros y como involucrarse!

LOS ANGELES COUNTY REGIONAL PARK AND OPEN SPACE DISTRICT

¡ASISTE A ESTA JUNTA CERCA DE TI!

Jueves 24 de Mayo 2018

7 pm - 9 pm

Houghton Park Community Center
6301 Myrtle Ave.
Long Beach, CA 90805

Habrá interpretación al español, actividades para niños mayores de 5 años y refriguerios. Se presentará la misma información en todas las juntas.

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