

AD HOC ON THE 2028 OLYMPICS AND PARALYMPIC GAMES COMMITTEE REPORT relative to a grant award from the Los Angeles 2028 Organizing Committee for the 2028 Olympic and Paralympic Games (LA2028) for allocation to the Department of Recreation and Parks (RAP) Spring 2020 Project Plan.

Recommendations for Council action, SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR:

1. APPROVE the RAP Spring 2020 Project Plan.
2. AUTHORIZE the RAP to accept and receive an allocation from LA2028 for the 2028 Olympic and Paralympic Games in the amount of \$4,114,243 as outlined in the RAP Spring 2020 Project Plan.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The RAP reports that approval of the proposed agreement and acceptance of grant funding from LA 2028 will have a positive impact on RAP's budget, allowing the Department to remove barriers to participation and grow enrollment in programs Citywide.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

SUMMARY

In a report to Council dated January 27, 2020, RAP recommends approval of its Spring 2020 Project Plan and requests authority to accept grant funds from LA2028 in the amount of \$4,114,243 in support of the Spring 2020 Project Plan. RAP reports that the City's host agreement for the 2028 Olympic and Paralympic Games includes a commitment of funding for youth sports. Funds will be used to directly support and increase citywide youth participation in quality sport and fitness programming by removing financial barriers now and up to the 2028 Games. RAP endeavors to remove barriers to participation, achieve gender equity, and increase access and opportunity for all young people, particularly the economically disadvantaged and physically impaired.

At its special meeting held January 31, 2020, the Ad Hoc on the 2028 Olympics and Paralympic Games Committee discussed this matter with representatives of RAP, the Chief Legislative Analyst, the City Administrative Officer, and the Los Angeles 2028 Organizing Committee. The General Manager, RAP, stated the grant funds will be used this Spring to help the Department reach its goals of doubling the participation in youth sports citywide. Fees for enrolling in classes and sports leagues at recreation centers located in communities with average family incomes of \$70,000 or less will be reduced to \$10 to encourage participation.

Committee members praised the program and instructed RAP to report with a plan to increase physical capacity at its parks and recreation centers. Committee members expressed concern that even a reduced program participation fee of \$10 may still be a barrier for low-income parents. Committee members instructed RAP to report back with alternatives such as refunding the fee after participation, waiving the fee for volunteers, scholarships, and eliminating the fee altogether. The Committee also discussed confirming that LA2028 grant funds will only be used to enhance youth sports activities, and not to supplant funding otherwise budgeted to the Department. RAP was also instructed to report on partnering with non-profit groups that already

offer youth sports programming such as sailing and track and field.

The Ad Hoc on the 2028 Olympics and Paralympic Games Committee recommended that Council approve RAP's Spring 2020 Project Plan and authorize the Department to accept the grant funding from LA2028.

Respectfully Submitted,

AD HOC ON THE 2028 OLYMPICS AND PARALYMPIC GAMES COMMITTEE

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
WESSON:	YES
CEDILLO:	YES
KREKORIAN:	YES
BUSCAINO:	YES
BLUMENFIELD:	ABSENT
O'FARRELL:	YES
PRICE:	YES

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