



# REPORT TO COUNCIL

## City of Sacramento

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Consent  
January 26, 2010

Honorable Mayor and  
Members of the City Council

**Title: Agreement: MOU with Sacramento City Unified School District for LifeTrail  
Fitness Stations at Argonaut Park**

**Location/Council District:** 1402 Dickson Street / Council District 4

**Recommendation:** Adopt a **Resolution** approving and authorizing the City Manager, or City Manager's designee, to execute a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Sacramento City Unified School District (District) to provide the District with \$40,000 in Community Reinvestment Capital Improvement Program (CRCIP) funding to apply toward the design and construction of the LifeTrail Fitness Stations project (Project) at the District's New Technology High School-Argonaut Park.

**Contact:** Tim Hopper, Administrative Officer, 808-8173;  
J.P. Tindell, Park Planning & Development Manager, 808-1955

**Presenters:** Not applicable

**Department:** Parks and Recreation Department

**Division:** Park Planning and Development Services

**Organization No:** 19001121

### **Description/Analysis**

**Issue:** On April 18, 2006, the City Council approved the CRCIP project list which included funding for Tier 1 priority projects. The list included \$40,000 for District 4 improvements to the New Technology High School-Argonaut Park for fitness stations. The Department of Parks and Recreation has determined that \$40,000 may be allocated to the Sacramento City Unified School District (District) to provide fitness stations at the District's New Technology High School-Argonaut Park located at 1402 Dickson Street in the South Land Park neighborhood. The proposed MOU is part of a collaborative effort between the City of Sacramento and the District and reflects a commitment to the project's implementation. The project scope for the MOU includes the design and construction of four fitness

stations to serve the recreation needs of the South Land Park neighborhood and the Sacramento community. The MOU memorializes the parties' commitment and understanding in order to transfer the \$40,000 CRCIP bond allocation to the District.

**Policy Considerations:** The Project is consistent with the City of Sacramento Strategic Plan goals to expand economic development throughout the City and achieve sustainability and livability. Providing recreation facilities is also consistent with the City's strategic plan to enhance livability in Sacramento's neighborhoods by expanding park, recreation, and trail facilities throughout the City.

The MOU is consistent with the policies established by City Council on May 23, 2006, Resolution No. 2006-367, in regard to the management and oversight of the capital improvement revenue bonds.

**Environmental Considerations:**

**California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA):** The LifeTrail Fitness Stations project is exempt from CEQA pursuant to Section 15303, subdivision (e) of the CEQA Guidelines (Title 14 Cal. Code Reg. § 15000 et seq.) Section 15303, subdivision (e), exempts the construction of small accessory structures, such as play equipment. The District will act as the lead agency for all environmental review and approvals required by the California Environmental Quality Act, other laws, and other governmental agencies.

**Sustainability Considerations:** The Project is consistent with City's Sustainability Master Plan (SMP) and the Parks and Recreation Sustainability Plan (PRSP) goals to help improve the health of residents by providing access to recreation and wellness activities and a healthier urban environment.

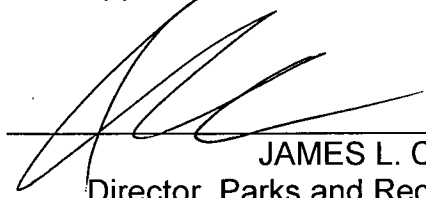
**Commission/Committee Action:** Not applicable.

**Rationale for Recommendation:** On May 23, 2006, the City Council authorized the issuance of approximately \$150 million of the 2006 Capital Improvement Revenue Bond (CIRB) and adopted policy directives for the CRCIP. The Project at 1402 Dickson Street was one of the listed projects to be funded out of the bond allocation under the District 4 Improvements. One of the policy directives states that MOUs with grantee organizations should be in place to ensure project objectives will be met before funding is awarded. The MOU with SCUSD will allow for the transfer of funds to the SCUSD as authorized by the City Council.

**Financial Considerations:** The approved CRCIP funding (Fund 3004) is \$40,000 for the LifeTrail Fitness Stations project and will be allocated accordingly upon execution of the MOU.

**Emerging Small Business Development (ESBD):** Not applicable.

Respectfully Submitted by:



JAMES L. COMBS  
Director, Parks and Recreation

Recommendation Approved:

*for*   
RAY KERRIDGE  
City Manager

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**Attachment 1**

**Background Information:**

Argonaut Park is a 6.1-acre neighborhood park located in South Land Park at 1402 Dickson Street. Currently, there is no anticipated construction date for refurbishing this existing park. The land on which Argonaut Park is built is owned by the Sacramento City Unified School District.

Public meetings were held at the New Technology High School at 1400 Dickson Street on October 25, 2007, and February 25, 2008. The community voted unanimously in favor of the master plan update presented on February 25, 2008.

The master plan study includes: removing the existing, unused ball field; installing a new walking/jogging trail around the periphery of the park; installing a new soccer field, new benches, new fitness stations, new trash receptacles, and a new tot lot; constructing new parking spaces; planting additional trees and shrubs; resurfacing the basketball court; and adding new security lighting.

On April 21, 2008, the Parks and Recreation Commission's (PRC's) Park Planning and Development Services Committee reviewed the updated Argonaut Park Master Plan. The PRC supported the master plan study without revision on May 1, 2008.

A neighborhood group called Freeport Renovation On the Move (FROM) has secured a Kaiser grant in the amount of \$10,000, Gifts to Share funds in the amount of \$800, and \$270 in fundraising contributions for a total of \$11,070. With the addition of \$40,000 in CRCIP bond funds, there will be \$51,070 available for the LifeTrail Fitness Stations project.

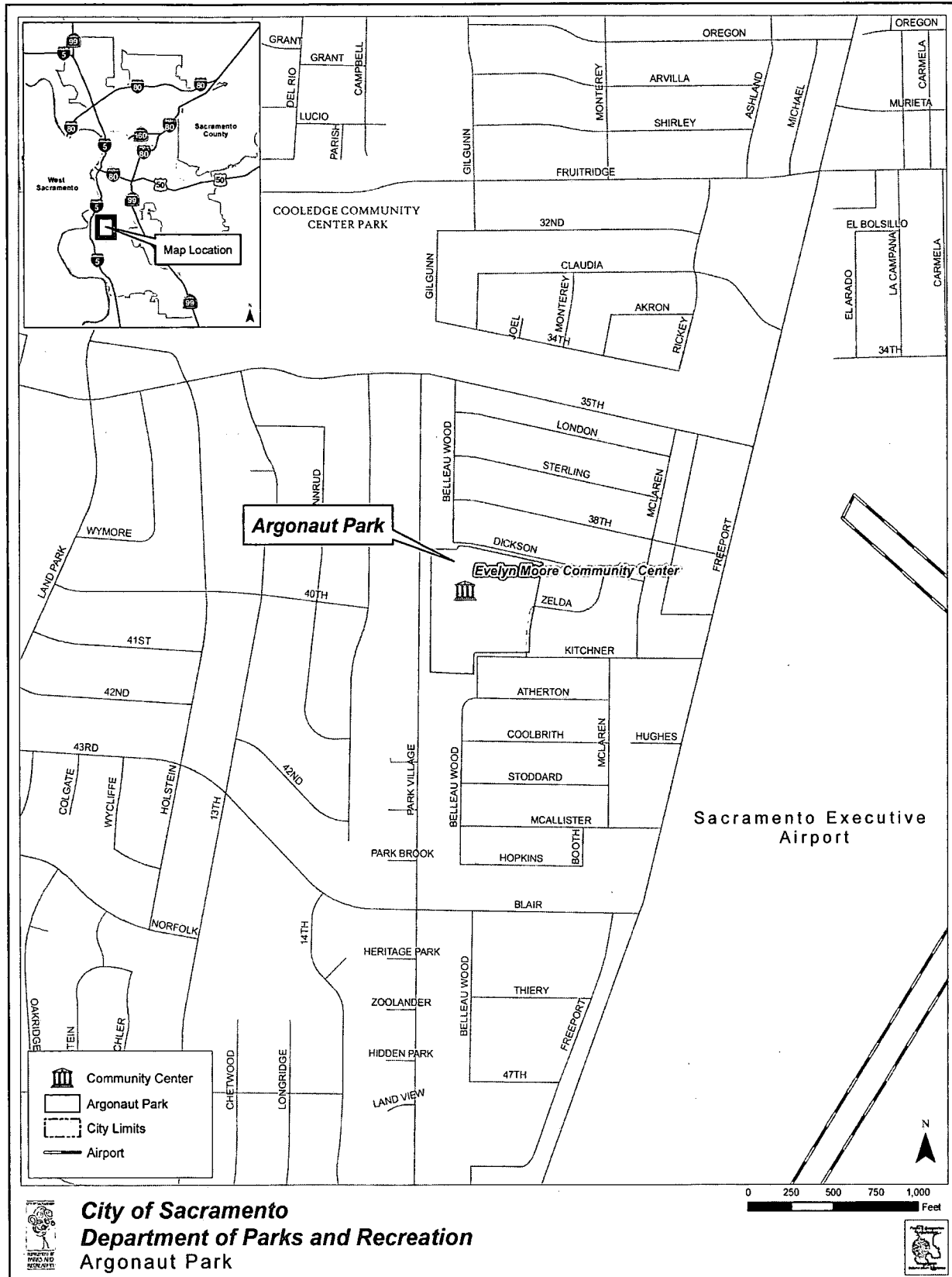
**Project Description:** CRCIP bond funds will be used to construct four fitness stations within the South Land Park neighborhood located at Argonaut Park at 1402 Dickson Street.

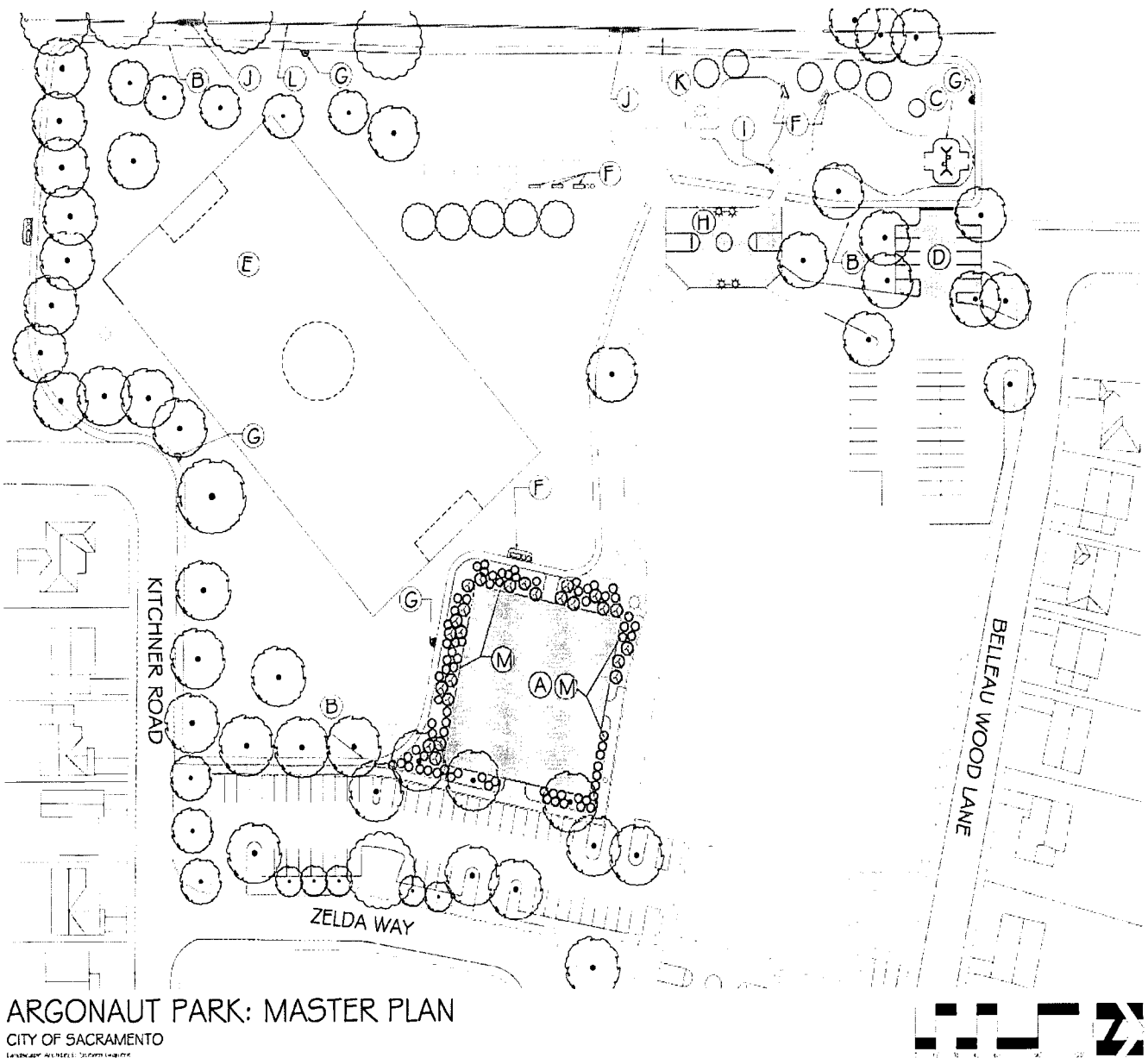
**Project Budget:** The project budget as defined above is currently estimated at \$51,070 (\$40,000 in CRCIP bond funds plus \$11,070 raised by the local neighborhood group).

**City Funding:** The City agrees to provide up to \$40,000 from the CRCIP bond funds to the Sacramento City Unified School District for the cost to construct the project.

**Project Completion:** The project at 1402 Dickson Street will be completed by December 31, 2010.

Attachment 2





**Legend:**

- A. Proposed Location for new Gymnasium.
- B. New walking/ jogging path, Decomposed Granite, approximately .4 miles long and 5 feet wide.
- C. New small child swing set addition.
- D. New parking (7 spots).
- E. Location for soccer field. Size is 300' x 165'.
- F. New benches.
- G. Fitness station locations.
- M. Resurfaced existing basketball court.
- I. New Drinking Fountain
- J. New entrance in existing chainlink fence for access to Park Village Street.
- K. Existing chainlink fence.
- L. Existing sound wall.
- M. New planting around Gymnasium.
- New light locations.

**ARGONAUT PARK: MASTER PLAN**

CITY OF SACRAMENTO  
 Landscape Architects: Joram Landscape  
 Designed by: Josh Schwartz

**RESOLUTION NO. 2010-**

Adopted by the Sacramento City Council

January 26, 2010

**AUTHORIZING THE AGREEMENT: MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH  
SACRAMENTO CITY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR LIFETRAIL FITNESS  
STATIONS AT ARGONAUT PARK**

**BACKGROUND**

- A. On October 11, 2005, City Council authorized the City Manager to identify projects for a Community Reinvestment Capital Improvement Program (CRCIP) bond issuance.
- B. On April 18, 2006, City Council approved the Final Tier 1 and Tier 2 project list and bridge financing.
- C. On May 23, 2006, City Council authorized the issuance of approximately \$150 million in 2006 bonds, authorized funding for the Tier 1 CRCIP projects, and adopted policy directives. Policy directive number three requires that agreements or MOUs with grantee organizations be put in place to ensure project objectives will be met before funding is awarded.
- D. Staff is recommending that \$40,000 of CRCIP funds be allocated to the Sacramento City Unified School District (District) for the District to design and construct four LifeTrail Fitness Stations at the District's New Technology High School-Argonaut Park.

**BASED ON THE FACTS SET FORTH IN THE BACKGROUND, THE CITY COUNCIL  
RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:**

- Section 1. The City Manager, or City Manager's designee, is authorized to execute a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Sacramento City Unified School District (District) to provide the District with \$40,000 in CRCIP funding to apply towards the design and construction of the LifeTrail Fitness Stations project at the District's New Technology High School-Argonaut Park.