

Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
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County of: Los Angeles
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From: (Public Agency): City of Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks
221 N. Figueroa Street, Suite 400
Los Angeles, CA 90012
(Address)

Project Title: MICHELLE AND BARACK OBAMA SPORTS COMPLEX (AKA RANCHO CIENEGA SC) - Final acceptance and increase contract contingency change of scope

Project Applicant: City of Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks

Project Location - Specific: 5001 Rodeo Road, Los Angeles, CA, 90016

Project Location - City: Los Angeles Project Location - County: Los Angeles

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

On June 20, 2018, the Board of Recreation and Park Commissioners (Board) awarded Phase I of the Project to Pinner Construction Co., Inc., for the amount of \$40,599,000 (Report No. 18-127). The overall project includes the design and construction of a 49,000 square-foot sports facility which replaces the existing aging structures. The scope of work also includes the rehabilitation of the existing sports fields, walkways, play areas, parking, maintenance yards and park infrastructure within the 24-acre park. Due to the extensive renovation work and funding requirements, construction of the project shall be completed in two (2) phases. Phase 1 plans and specifications were prepared by the Department of Public Works, Bureau of Engineering (BOE) Architectural Division, in conjunction with the design consultant, Studio Pali Fekete Architects (SPFA). During construction, the Board approved multiple change orders and funding changes, but the Project reached substantial completion in June 2022, and was subsequently opened to the public. However, there were still many smaller contractual items remaining, therefore an additional funding modification is required. With the last funding addition the total project budget was about \$42,843,761. With this final modification the budget will increase to \$43,114,044.20. The project's features, however, have not been changed.

Beneficiaries of the project are the patrons of the park

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: City of Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: City of Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks

Exempt Status: **(check one):**

- Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);
- Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));
- Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));
- Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: _____
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: Art. 5, Sec. 15061(b)(3)

Reasons why project is exempt:

The activity is covered by the commonsense exemption that CEQA applies only to projects which have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment. These changes to the scope of work are not expected to have any additional impact on the environment.

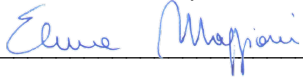
The proposed Project consists of the allocation of additional contingency funding for the execution of a final closeout change order.

RAP Staff finds that the Project was adequately assessed in the previously adopted IS/MND (SCH No. 2016031012), and that no subsequent Negative Declaration, or further addendum or other CEQA analysis is required. Staff also finds that there is no possibility that the allocation of additional contingency funding may have a significant effect on the environment.

Lead Agency
Contact Person: ELENA MAGGIONI Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 213-482-6980

If filed by applicant:

1. Attach certified document of exemption finding.
2. Has a Notice of Exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project? Yes No

Signature:  Date: 2/20/2024 Title: Environmental Supervisor

Signed by Lead Agency Signed by Applicant

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.
Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.

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