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CITY OF OAKLAND
COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

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TO: Office of the City Manager
ATTN: Deborah Edgerly
FROM: Councilmember Quan
DATE: May 25, 2004

RE: **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER, ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF OAKLAND, TO ACCEPT AND EXPRESS APPRECIATION FOR A DONATION FROM RESIDENTS OF \$14,875, AND TO APPROPRIATE SAID FUNDS, THROUGH THE FRIENDS OF OAKLAND PARKS AND RECREATION, TO THE "BRETT PARK" PROJECT, A NEIGHBORHOOD LOT LOCATED AT THE INTERSECTION OF MARSH PLACE AND PERSHING DRIVE, IN HONOR OF ROGER BRETT.**

SUMMARY

Councilmember Jean Quan is requesting the Council to authorize the City Manager to accept and appropriate a \$14,875 contribution of funds donated by the residents of Marsh Place and Pershing Drive, through the friends of Oakland Parks and Recreation, to the City of Oakland, for landscaping and beautification for a piece of city right of way for the improvement of the "Brett Park" Project.

Residents in the neighborhood would like to beautify and add landscaping to the unimproved City lot (Project) in honor of Mr. Roger Brett, a resident, for his hard work and dedication to improving the surrounding neighborhood and for creating, implementing and assisting with the LaSalle underground district. The project consists of landscaping the areas surrounding the lot at Marsh Place and Pershing Drive.

FISCAL IMPACT

The "Brett Park" Project will be funded by donations of \$14,875 raised collectively by residents in the neighborhood.

The renovated portion of the "Brett Park" Project will increase maintenance costs to maintain the improvements upon completion of the project, estimated in summer 2004. Residents have agreed to be responsible for maintenance of the "Brett Park" Project, to the extent allowed by law.

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BACKGROUND

Volunteering neighborhood residents developed a vision and conceptual design to improve the landscaping surrounding the lot. With their support, and the funds raised, they will be able to provide new landscaping to the “Brett Park” Project. The “Brett Park” area will be improved to include new landscaping and other improvements.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The City owns a small-unimproved lot at the intersection of Marsh Place and Pershing Drive no bigger than the size of two parking spaces. The Residents of the neighborhood would like to improve the lot by adding landscaping and subsequently maintaining the lot, to the extent allowed by law.

The project focuses on improvements on the lot in a planting area of approximately 200 square feet. The Project includes removing and clearing of dead or overgrown plants, installing new grass, installing new flowering plants in the garden.

KEY ISSUES AND IMPACTS

This project meets the City Council’s Goal #6 to Maintain and Enhance Oakland’s Physical Assets. The site will provide a renewed, safe, clean area for the public’s use. The project will also meet Council’s Goal #7 to Inspire Creativity and Civic Engagement by fostering and engaging neighboring communities to use and take ownership of the beautiful surroundings areas.

SUSTAINABLE OPPORTUNITIES

Economic: There are no direct economic opportunities associated with this report. The improved landscaped area will provide an attractive destination for the public and promote awareness of City’s potential economic developments.

Social Equity: The project will provide new amenities for recreational use to the community, including youth and children, as well as improve the quality of the environment, and emphasize the natural open-space asset of the City.

Environmental: The project design will incorporate sustainability design and recycled-content materials to the extent possible. The park accessories will be manufactured from recycled materials.

DISABILITY AND SENIOR CITIZEN ACCESS

The developed landscape improvement area will comply with the California Code of Regulations, Title 24 and ADA Accessibility Guidelines.

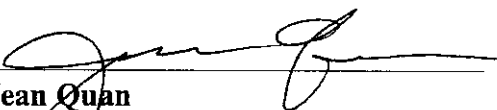
RECOMMENDATION(S) AND RATIONALE

It is recommended that Council authorize the City Manager to accept and appropriate the above donations for the improvements to the “Brett Park” Project.

ACTION REQUESTED OF THE CITY COUNCIL

City Council is requested to approve the resolution to accept and appropriate donations of \$14,875 from residents, and to appropriate said funds, through the friends of Oakland parks and recreation, to the “Brett Park” Project, a neighborhood lot located at the intersection of Marsh Place and Pershing drive, in honor of Roger Brett.

Respectfully submitted,


Jean Quan
City Councilmember
District 4

Prepared by:
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Chief of Staff to
Councilmember Quan

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RESOLUTION No: _____ C.M.S.



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WHEREAS, the City owns a small unimproved lot at the intersection of Marsh Place and Pershing Drive no bigger than the size of two parking spaces; and

WHEREAS, residents in the neighborhood would like to beautify and add landscaping to the unimproved City lot (Project) in honor of Mr. Roger Brett, a resident, for his hard work and dedication to improving the surrounding neighborhood and for creating, implementing and assisting with the in the LaSalle undergrounding district; and

WHEREAS, the residents wish to complete the Brett Park Project before the end of Summer 2004; and

WHEREAS, the residents have collectively raised \$14,875 and wish to donate the funds to the City for the Brett Park Project, through the Friends of Oakland Parks and Recreation, and the City desires to accept the donation for the benefit of the public; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That, pursuant to Article XII, Section 1203 of the Oakland City Charter, the City Council hereby authorizes the City Manager, or her designee, to accept, through the Friends of Oakland Parks and Recreation, and appropriate the donation of \$14,875 from various Oakland residents, for the Brett Park Project, in honor of Mr. Roger Brett.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, _____, 2004

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES - BROOKS, BRUNNER, CHANG, NADEL, QUAN, REID, WAN AND
PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL DE LA FUENTE

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NOES –

ABSENT –

ABSTENTION –

ATTEST: _____

CEDA FLOYD

City Clerk and Clerk of the Council
of the City of Oakland, California

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