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MEMORANDUM

TO: The Governing Board

FROM:  Joseph T. Edmiston, FAICP, Hon. ASLA, Executive Officer

DATE: March 2, 2011

SUBJECT: **Agenda Item V(i): Consideration of resolution authorizing a contract amendment with SWA Group for additional professional services for the Milton Street Park project.**

Staff Recommendation: That the Governing Board adopt the attached resolution authorizing a contract amendment with SWA Group for additional professional services for the Milton Street Park project in the amount of \$112,490.

Background: The Milton Street Project is a 1.2-acre parcel owned by the Baldwin Hills Regional Conservation Authority that is immediately adjacent to the Ballona Creek Trail and Bike Path and across Milton Street from the Marina Del Rey Middle School. This is the only publicly-owned property along the Ballona Creek with the potential to serve the public as a park. The park design includes recreational, educational and stormwater amenities to maximize public benefit and take advantage of the location adjacent to the heavily-used Ballona Creek trail and bike path, Marina del Rey Middle School, and the soft-bottom portion of the Ballona Creek. Stormwater elements being proposed as part of this project include diverting 45-acres of residential runoff from storm drains onto the site and improving the water quality before it is drained to the Ballona Creek.

Funding has been granted to the MRCA by Baldwin Hills Conservancy (BHC) and State Coastal Conservancy (SCC) for the planning and design phase of this project. This funding is for project management and consultants through the completion of 100% Construction Documents for the park. Additionally, MRCA received Proposition A funds for the preparation of construction documents and implementation of a park project that will include native planting, stormwater improvements, and recreational and educational amenities.

This amendment is necessary to complete the Construction Documents and move forward with permitting and implementation. BHC and SCC funding expires on June 30, 2011 and therefore MRCA must work diligently to ensure that the Construction

Documents are completed in a timely fashion.

The breakdown of the requested \$112,490 contract amendment is as follows and are due to complexity and ambitious nature of the proposed park design:

SWA Group (Landscape Architect) - \$15,500 for additional project management and other additional services.

Sub-consultants of SWA:

PSOMAS (Civil Engineer) - \$58,690 for pre-design services, design phase, construction document phase, SWPPP, SUSMP, bidding & construction support services.

KPFF (Structural Engineer) - \$17,800 for structural engineering services through 100% Construction Documents, bid and approval phase and construction administration.

P2S (Electrical Engineer) - \$20,500 for electrical engineering services through 100% Construction Documents.