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MEMORANDUM

TO: The Governing Board

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

DATE: October 5, 2011

SUBJECT: **Agenda Item VII: Consideration of resolution authorizing rejection of all bids for 8th Street Park Concrete and Masonry work and completion of the work by force account and purchase on the open market.**

Staff Recommendation: That the Governing Board adopt the attached resolution authorizing rejection of all bids for 8th Street Park Concrete and Masonry work and completion of the work by force account and purchase on the open market.

Background: MRCA began construction of the Pacoima Wash Greenway - 8th Street Park in Pacoima in 2008. Due to the statewide bond freeze, all work was suspended in December 2008. Staff is now prepared to complete the project.

MRCA staff recently initiated a competitive bidding process for concrete and masonry work for the Pacoima Wash Greenway Eighth Street Park. The bid included a variety of small tasks, including colored concrete, brick paving, decorative tile work, architectural cast-in-place concrete, foundations, and flat work. Two proposals were received.

Upon initiation of a competitive bidding process as required by Public Contract Code section 20815, et seq., the Board has the discretion to do any of the following with the received bids: (1) Reject all bids and readvertise; (2) By a four-fifths vote, elect to purchase the materials or supplies in the open market; (3) By a four-fifths vote, elect to construct the building, structure, or improvement by force account.

After reviewing the work to be completed and the proposals submitted, staff has determined that it is in the best interest of the agency to reject all proposals and to complete the project using force account labor and to purchase all required materials on the open market.