

MOUNTAINS RECREATION & CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

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MEMORANDUM

To: The Governing Board

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

DATE: April 4, 2012

SUBJECT: Agenda Item X: Consideration of resolution authorizing acceptance of an easement over a portion of APN 5442-031-043 for ingress and egress and utilities, adjacent to Marsh Park, from LA River Lofts, LLC, a California limited liability company.

<u>Staff Recommendation</u>: That the Governing Board adopt the attached resolution authorizing acceptance of an easement over a portion of APN 5442-031-043 for ingress and egress and utilities, adjacent to Marsh Park, from LA River Lofts, LLC, a California limited liability company.

<u>Background</u>: The proposed easement is located on a portion of undeveloped property at the end of Gleneden Street, adjacent to the northwest boundary of the MRCA's Marsh Park property. This adjacent property is owned by LA River Lofts, LLC, which has plans to develop the property with multi-unit housing. Construction documents for the second phase of development of Marsh Park are underway, and the preferred plan includes an ingress and egress from Gleneden Street.

In this area, the street right-of-way terminates into the Marsh Park and LA River Lofts, LLC properties, and there is not sufficient room to allow a two-way driveway from Gleneden into the Marsh Park property. The easement will allow safe vehicular traffic into and out of the park. MRCA staff have consulted with the City of Los Angeles Fire Department and Department of Building and Safety and confirmed that the easement area is sufficient to meet all code requirements.

LA River Lofts, LLC has not asked for any monetary or other consideration. There will be no cost to the MRCA for accepting the easement.