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MEMORANDUM

TO: The Governing Board

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

DATE: February 6, 2013

SUBJECT: **Agenda Item VI(e): Consideration of resolution authorizing a contract to Brett Goldstone to supply artistic fencing for Marsh Street Park project.**

Staff Recommendation: That the Governing Board adopt the attached resolution authorizing a contract to Brett Goldstone to supply artistic fencing for the Marsh Street Park project in an amount not to exceed \$71,500.

Background: The Marsh Street Park project is currently in the design and plan check phase, and will be entering the bidding and permitting phases within the next few months. The park improvements will include fencing and solid walls around the perimeter of the site for security when the park is closed. The northeast part of the site is adjacent to the Los Angeles River Greenway and Bikeway, and this area offers the best views of the Los Angeles River and the San Gabriel Mountains. The site plan includes a small group seating area in this part of the park that will be open to the bike path and is expected to be frequently used. This edge of the park will be the most visible, and consequently is the best location in the park for public art. Many of MRCA's river parks and bikeway access points already feature artistic fencing and gates, and the proposed contract will continue this tradition.

Brett Goldstone is an independent artist who has created several decorative gates along the Los Angeles River, including the entry gate into the initial Phase I Marsh Park, the Great Heron gates and the Water with Rocks gates at Fletcher Drive. He also created the decorative gates at the Centinela and McConnell bike path entrances along Ballona Creek. Mr. Goldstone has submitted a proposal for 160 lineal feet of decorative fencing and a vehicular grade gate, which will feature an artistic depiction of the adjacent river and natural resources.

Consideration: The contract will not exceed \$71,500. Brett Goldstone has submitted a proposal for \$65,000. Staff recommends that the Board approve 10% more than the price quote amount to allow for contingencies and conditions that may not be evident at the site.