



November 22, 2013

Lisa Soghor
Deputy Executive Officer and Chief of Developed Resources
Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority

Dear Ms. Soghor,

We are writing in consideration of resolution authorizing assignment of right to apply for 1st Supervisorial District Specified Proposition A Excess Funds (Big 5 – LA River) to the Amigos de los Rios for the La Plaza de Cultura Y Artes Outdoor Improvements Project, City of Los Angeles.

The project site is located along the proposed City History Trail, a project currently in development to celebrate and acknowledge the rich history of the founding and evolution of the city of Los Angeles over time, highlighting the critical relationship between the city and the Los Angeles River. Located across Main Street from El Pueblo, this area is a pivotal crossing point as pedestrians from Union Station. The trail is nestled between the historic Union Station, El Pueblo Historic Park, La Placita Church, Olvera Street and Fort Moore, La Plaza's campus encompasses 2 acres.

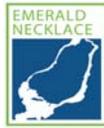
Project Elements include:

- Landscaping
 - Removing existing trees that are damaged and replace with similar size and species.
 - Plant native and Mediterranean trees and shrubs to provide shade and interpretive displays in raised planting beds. These planting areas will highlight native and Mediterranean plants and their heritage value as medicinal, structural, edible or ritual plants.
- Water
 - Interpretive elements highlighting the source of life that brought the City to this area to tell the story of community and connection to LA's river and the LA Basin, aqueduct, wells, and fertile lands
- Exteriors Lighting
 - Highlight the historic context and the landscape elements.
- Interpretive Materials
 - Use maps sandblasted and embedded in the ground, historic quotes, photo images to encourage discussion among visitors about their own origins and sense of place
 - Maps – highlighting the regions history and origins of founders
 - Water Theme – Connects communities in the town square to commerce, religion, government, and city evolution.
 - Buildings – Highlight the vivid history of historic buildings around El pueblo.
 - Voces Vivas – Personal history and impact comes alive

Thank you very much,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Claire Robinson" with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Claire Robinson
Managing Director
Amigos de los Rios



BUDGET

Amigos de los Rios - LA PLAZA Tree and Shrub Planting

SUMMARY		Number of Trees to be removed	Number of Trees to be Planted
TREES & TREE PLANTERS	\$ 244,446.00	2	23
SHRUBS & SHRUB PLANTERS	\$ 302,167.80		Number of Shrubs to be Planted 365
*water & native plant heritage themed interpretive elements			
Sub Total	\$ 546,613.80		

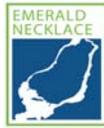
Amigos de los Rios - LA PLAZA Lighting

SUMMARY	
GOBO 1 for North Side of Building installed on post facing passage	\$ 10,000.00
GOBO 2 for North Side of Building installed on post facing passage	\$ 10,000.00
Up lighting for trees and one raised planter - within lawn area	\$ 14,000.00
Up lighting for trees in raised planter boxes and for living wall planter	\$ 8,000.00
Lighting for river and water resources interpretive signage elements	\$ 18,000.00
Refurbish poles to green from gray	\$ 1,200.00
Permit fee for Passage Lighting	\$ 5,000.00
Contingency	\$ 10,000.00
Sub Total	\$ 76,200.00

Amigos de los Rios - LA PLAZA Archeological and Interpretive Review

SUMMARY	
Onsite Construction Management and Administration (SWA)	\$ 130,000.00
River map, signage text interpretation	\$ 20,000.00
Sub Total	\$ 150,000.00

GRAND TOTAL	\$ 772,813.80
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SITE MAP

