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## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** The Governing Board

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

**DATE:** May 6, 2015

**SUBJECT:** **Agenda Item VI(c): Consideration of resolution approving the plans and specifications for the Franklin/Ivar Park project.**

Staff Recommendation: That the Governing Board adopt the attached resolution approving the plans and specifications for the Franklin/Ivar Park project.

Background: The Franklin/Ivar Park project will convert a vacant 3/4-acre lot owned by the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy into a natural park in the heart of urban Hollywood. The site is downslope from a freeway ramp and in a densely populated area. Elements of Franklin/Ivar Park include an amphitheater for both scheduled and impromptu performances, California-native plant demonstration garden, picnic area and play elements for young children.

The project is funded in part by a grant from California State Parks and State of California Natural Resources Agency Urban Greening grant. A required document for reimbursement of construction expenses is Board approval of the plans and specifications.

The subject plans and specifications were prepared by California-licensed design professionals under the supervision of Mia Lehrer + Associates, the project's landscape architect. In addition to landscape architecture, the plans include civil, structural, and electrical engineering. The plans were submitted to the City of Los Angeles for plan check and the Division of State Architect for disabled access review, and all changes pursuant to those reviews have been made. Attached are a representative sample of the construction plans. Copies of the full set of plans and specifications will be available for review at the meeting.