



## CITY OF BIGGS Planning Staff Report

**TO:** CITY OF BIGGS CITY COUNCIL

**FROM:** Scott Friend, AICP – City Planner

**MEETING DATE:** January 12, 2016; 6:30 p.m.  
Biggs City Hall, 3016 Sixth Street, Biggs, CA 95917

**SUBJECT:** Funding Request: Housing Related Parks Grant Application Preparation

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### **REQUEST**

Staff requests that the City Council consider authorizing funding and authorizing the City Administrator to sign a task order / contract with Michael Baker International for professional service to prepare a grant application in pursuit of funding through the State of California Housing Related Parks Grant Fund in an amount not to exceed \$5,450.00 dollars.

### **DISCUSSION**

The City of Biggs has recently seen the development of 56 new single family residential dwelling units in the North Biggs Estates project. Based upon information provided by the developer, the Community Housing Improvement Program (CHIP), a large number of the units constructed in the project meet the criteria established by the Housing and Community Development Department (HCD) of the State of California to qualify as low or very-low income dwelling units due to the qualifying status of the purchasers of the dwellings. As a result, the City of Biggs is eligible to apply for funds to construct new, or make improvements to existing, parks and recreation facilities in the City.

The purpose of the Housing Related Parks Grant program is to increase the overall supply of housing affordable to lower income households by providing financial incentives to cities and counties with documented housing starts for newly constructed units affordable to very low or low-income households. Grant funds can be spent for the creation of new parks or rehabilitation or improvements to existing parks. The minimum grant distribution amount is \$75,000 and a Notice of Funding Availability (NoFA) has been issued stating that \$30 million dollars has been allocated in this grant cycle for this purpose. Based upon conversations with the State Program Representative, staff believes that there is a high probability that the City will score highly for the award of funds under this program. Grant applications are due in early February to qualify for funding for this cycle.

Grant amounts are based on the numbers of bedrooms in newly constructed rental and ownership units restricted for very low and low-income households for which building permits have been issued during the designated program year covered by the Notice of Funding Availability (2015). Additionally, bonus funding is potentially available to cities meeting the following criteria:

Bonus grant funds will be awarded for the following:

- Newly Constructed Units
- Units affordable to extremely low-income households
- Units developed as infill projects.
- Jurisdictions demonstrating progress in increasing their overall supply of housing.
- Park projects which will serve disadvantaged communities.
- Park projects located within park deficient communities.
- Park projects supporting an infill project or located within a jurisdiction included in an adopted regional blueprint plan.

Based upon preliminary conversations with the State Program Manager, staff believes that the City may qualify for bonus funding as the City meets a number of the program criteria for supplemental funding.

The requested funding will cover the additional staff time necessary to prepare the grant application and to administer the grant program through the completion of all projects directly related to the expenditure of grant funds as a result of a funding award.

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW**

Not Applicable.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

No comment has been sought on this matter and none has been received.

#### **FISCAL IMPACT**

Professional Services: \$5,450.00

Funds have not been allocated in the Department's approved FY 15-16 budget for these purposes and the existing Department budget does not accommodate this request as currently budgeted.

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

Staff recommends that the City Council consider the request and approve funding for this task in the amount of up to \$5,450.00 and, requests authorization allowing for the City Administrator to pursue the completion of the contract for this service.

#### **ATTACHMENT(S):**

- 2013 Award of Funding Recipients List



## Housing-Related Parks Program Awards

Designated Program Year 2013

Applicant	Units Incentivized	Award Amount
City and County of San Francisco	1996	\$6,352,275
City of Alameda	81	\$201,200
City of Anaheim	309	\$1,330,800
City of Arcata	53	\$106,650
City of Avenal	27	\$186,200
City of Brea	114	\$483,650
City of Buena Park	69	\$375,025
City of Calexico	197	\$593,925
City of Capitola	140	\$383,925
City of Carson	103	\$290,000
City of Chico	195	\$1,032,350
City of Chino	133	\$580,650
City of Claremont	74	\$270,650
City of Clovis	24	\$89,250
City of Coachella	207	\$1,505,650
City of Colton	101	\$214,050
City of Daly City	36	\$187,650
City of Delano	79	\$455,600
City of Dinuba	192	\$1,046,600
City of Downey	49	\$217,950
City of El Cajon	59	\$204,450
City of El Centro	71	\$336,375
City of Emeryville	110	\$477,950
City of Escondido	210	\$674,850
City of Farmersville	54	\$170,100
City of Folsom	134	\$257,525
City of Fontana	107	\$626,950
City of Fort Bragg	28	\$98,550



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Applicant	Units Incentivized	Award Amount
City of Foster City	55	\$154,500
City of Fresno	435	\$1,486,425
City of Galt	80	\$184,400
City of Gilroy	50	\$149,000
City of Glendale	170	\$360,250
City of Gridley	115	\$400,650
City of Indio	435	\$1,010,700
City of Irvine	132	\$308,500
City of Lake Elsinore	261	\$1,102,450
City of Lakeport	49	\$80,825
City of Lemoore	78	\$120,475
City of Lindsay	108	\$465,425
City of Live Oak	56	\$326,975
City of Long Beach	164	\$553,050
City of Los Angeles	2319	\$8,221,950
City of Madera	119	\$731,250
City of Marina	107	\$456,550
City of McFarland	197	\$1,331,950
City of Merced	150	\$828,775
City of Moorpark	26	\$123,850
City of Mountain View	57	\$305,225
City of Oakland	579	\$2,063,400
City of Orange	118	\$484,000
City of Orange Cove	23	\$168,125
City of Orland	15	\$115,175
City of Oroville	105	\$316,700
City of Oxnard	181	\$956,700
City of Palm Springs	56	\$266,575



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Applicant	Units Incentivized	Award Amount
City of Palmdale	154	\$259,250
City of Pasadena	193	\$449,050
City of El Paso de Robles	160	\$804,450
City of Perris	145	\$581,350
City of Petaluma	217	\$472,500
City of Poway	51	\$82,550
City of Redding	42	\$105,500
City of Rialto	235	\$351,350
City of Rocklin	92	\$310,025
City of Sacramento	676	\$1,675,600
City of San Buenaventura	148	\$584,850
City of San Diego	1273	\$4,460,000
City of San Fernando	80	\$188,050
City of San Jose	788	\$2,978,600
City of San Leandro	830	\$1,376,600
City of San Marcos	318	\$1,481,950
City of San Mateo	116	\$460,350
City of Santa Ana	299	\$1,030,800
City of Santa Monica	426	\$2,139,850
City of Santee	43	\$139,800
City of Sebastopol	36	\$134,550
City of Sunnyvale	335	\$973,525
City of Temecula	91	\$321,100
City of Thousand Oaks	59	\$208,200
City of Tulare	46	\$297,775
City of Turlock	79	\$443,100
City of Tustin	97	\$260,700
City of Ukiah	32	\$142,800



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Applicant	Units Incentivized	Award Amount
City of Union City	155	\$494,325
City of Visalia	27	\$130,950
City of Vista	46	\$225,275
City of Wasco	11	\$97,900
City of West Hollywood	172	\$370,650
City of West Sacramento	82	\$394,850
City of Winters	38	\$117,275
City of Woodlake	72	\$275,900
City of Woodland	29	\$137,775
City of Yucaipa	45	\$96,250
El Dorado County	39	\$158,550
Imperial County	20	\$125,650
Kern County	199	\$978,325
Kings County	33	\$133,175
Los Angeles County	83	\$447,950
Madera County	79	\$378,000
Monterey County	134	\$589,600
Orange County	167	\$716,250
Placer County	75	\$254,150
Sacramento County	263	\$890,650
San Diego County	100	\$428,250
Santa Cruz County	132	\$444,700
Sonoma County	106	\$483,475
Town of Yucca Valley	74	\$168,700
Tulare County	99	\$527,800
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>20,533</b>	<b>\$73,605,250</b>