



CITY OF LODI

COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

AGENDA TITLE: Appropriate Funds for Playground Equipment Replacement
MEETING DATE: June 18, 1997
SUBMITTED BY: Richard Prima, City Engineer

RECOMMENDED ACTION:: That the City Council appropriate \$50,000 to replace playground equipment at Heritage School.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: The Capital Improvement Budget included a multi-year program for playgrounds with General Fund money for the first year and subsequent years with Community Development Block Grant Funds (CDBG). The concept was that the City and LUSD would receive the funding in alternate years.

A few months ago, during the CDBG allocation process for FY 97/98, it was uncertain if LUSD would be eligible for CDBG funding and their application was withdrawn. As part of that process, the Parks Department received over \$300,000 in CDBG funds for park and playground improvements. Since then, it has been determined that LUSD is eligible on the same basis as the City is for projects within the target area or ADA upgrades Citywide. However, no funds will be available for another year.

The eastside area south of Lodi Avenue is deficient in park and playground facilities. In an effort to improve this situation and provide safe and updated parks and playground facilities for children, City staff has worked with representatives from the Lodi Unified School District (LUSD) to address this need. Given this situation, staff is recommending that we proceed with the General Fund Capital appropriation and go forward with LUSD on the Heritage School Project. A letter from LUSD describing the project is attached.

FUNDING: Capital Fund

Respectfully submitted,

Richard Prima
 Richard Prima
 City Engineer

Attachment

Funding approval: *Vicky McAthie*
 Vicky McAthie, Finance Director

APPROVED:

H. Dixon Flynn
 H. Dixon Flynn - City Manager



LODI UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT
1305 East Vine Street, Lodi, California 95240

* ATTACHMENT *

June 5, 1997

Mr. Dixon Flynn, City Manager
City of Lodi
221 West Pine Street
Lodi CA 95241-1910

RE: Heritage School Playground Equipment

Dear Mr. Flynn:

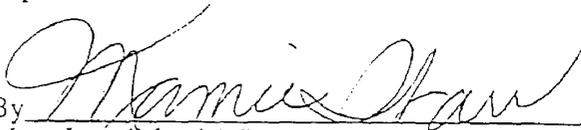
Pursuant to your conversation of February 28, 1997 with Mamie Starr, and recent follow-up information from City Engineer Richard Prima, please accept this letter as the District's request for \$50,000 for the replacement of the Heritage School playground equipment. It is our understanding that this amount was included in the City's current budget for the specific purpose of playground equipment replacement at City schools, and that a letter is required to initiate Council action on the CIP appropriation.

Project estimates are outlined on the attached. At the conclusion of the project, a complete accounting will be provided. We will be pleased to work with your Finance Department on the details of the fund transfer.

On behalf of the many children in the Heritage neighborhood, we thank you, your staff, and the City Council for your consideration and support of this important community improvement.

Sincerely,

Dr. Del Alberti
Superintendent

By 
Mary Joan (Mamie) Starr
Administrative Director of Facilities and Planning

Attachment

cc: Vicky McAthie, Lodi Finance Director
Marilyn Domingo, LUSD Assistant Superintendent of Business
Richard Prima, Lodi City Engineer
Janet Keeter, Lodi Deputy City Manager
Mike Matranga, LUSD Director of Maintenance and Operations
Ron Williamson, Lodi Recreation and Parks Director
Dr. Ken Mullen, LUSD Board of Education
David Norfolk, LUSD Board of Education
Rad Bartlam, Lodi Community Development Director

ATTACHMENT TO LETTER

Heritage School Playground Equipment Replacement - Estimated Costs
Submitted to the Lodi City Manager June 4, 1997

Scope of Work	Cost Estimate	Estimate Provided By
Demo and sand removal	5,508.00	District - work by contractor
Replace sand with birdseye gravel	4,550.00	District - work by contractor
Expand box area and new border	5,000.00	District - work by contractor
ADA transition and resilient pad	5,000.00	District - work by contractor
Equipment*	17,869.26	Miracle Recreation Equipment
Equipment Installation**	4,550.00	Jim Wiese
ADA Drinking Fountain	2,200.00	Haws - District to install
Total Heritage Cost	\$44,677.26	

*Standard component design developed by District physical education specialists. May need to bid equipment based on "or equal."

**Supplier recommended installer