

DATE: November 6, 2007

TO: Mayor and City Council Members

FROM: Redevelopment and Housing Department

SUBJECT: RESOLUTION NO. 8173 – A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH THE SACRAMENTO HOUSING AND REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY FOR THE PROGRAMMING OF \$200,000 IN COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FUNDS FOR 2008

BACKGROUND / ISSUE

Through executed agreements with the Sacramento Housing and Redevelopment Agency, each year the City receives \$200,000 in Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds. Over the past 7 years, CDBG funds were programmed for the following projects/programs:

- Powerhouse Transition Center Emergency Shelter Renovation
- City of Folsom Seniors and Arts Center
- City of Folsom Public Library
- City of Folsom Zoo Sanctuary
- Mercy Housing Apartment Development
- City of Folsom Home Rehabilitation Program
- Historic District Streetscape Design Development

For the 2008 CDBG allocation, staff has received a funding request from the Parks and Recreation Department to fund accessibility improvements at the Folsom Zoo Sanctuary. In addition, staff has identified the need for accessibility improvements at the Interpretive Area in the Historic District. Staff has determined that the Folsom Zoo Sanctuary American with Disabilities Act (ADA) Improvements and the Interpretive Area ADA Improvements comply with the requirements for using CDBG funds.

POLICY / RULE

American with Disabilities Act improvements are an appropriate use of CDBG funds.

ANALYSIS

Folsom City Zoo Sanctuary ADA Improvements

The Parks and Recreation Department is requesting 2008 CDBG funding of \$100,000 to fund ADA improvement projects at the Folsom City Zoo Sanctuary. In 2006, the Parks and Recreation Department received \$20,000 of CDBG funds to hire a consultant to complete an ADA compliance survey and schematic design. The consultant, Arthur Tam Architects,

completed the ADA Compliance Survey in December 2006. In the survey, the consultant identified facilities and walkways that did not comply with the ADA. After completion of the survey, the consultant created a schematic plan and cost estimate to reconstruct the facilities to become compliant with the ADA.

The Parks and Recreation Department staff analyzed and ranked the required improvements. The highest ranked improvements were identified as existing facilities that exhibit the greatest need and feasibility for improvement in conjunction with the Folsom City Zoo Sanctuary Master Plan Improvements. Completion of these identified improvements would begin the process of reconstructing facilities and walkways to become compliant with ADA. The following are the identified improvements to be completed if awarded 2008 CDBG funds:

- Drinking Fountain Accessibility
- Log Cabin Classroom and Sitework Accessibility
- Ticket Booth and Gift Shop Accessibility

The requested 2008 CDBG funds would complete \$100,000 (10 percent) of the total \$980,000 of improvements estimated to be required at the Folsom City Zoo Sanctuary to become compliant with ADA.

Interpretive Area ADA Improvements

The Redevelopment Agency is requesting \$100,000 to hire a consultant who will determine what ADA improvements are needed at the Interpretive Area in the Folsom Historic District. This funding will also cover the design costs of the proposed improvements.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

There is no financial impact on the General Fund.

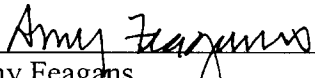
ATTACHMENT

Resolution No. 8173 – A Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Execute an Agreement with the Sacramento Housing and Redevelopment Agency for the Programming of \$200,000 in Community Development Block Grant Funds for 2008

RECOMMENDATION / CITY COUNCIL ACTION

Staff recommends that the City Council approve Resolution No. 8173 – A Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Execute an Agreement with Sacramento Housing and Redevelopment Agency for the Programming of \$200,000 in Community Development Block Grant Funds for 2008.

Submitted,



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ATTACHMENT 1

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Manager to Execute an Agreement with the Sacramento
Housing and Redevelopment Agency for the Programming of
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RESOLUTION NO. 8173

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH SACRAMENTO HOUSING AND REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY FOR THE PROGRAMMING OF \$200,000 IN COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FUNDS FOR 2008

WHEREAS, the City of Folsom receives \$200,000 in Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds each year for eligible projects and programs; and

WHEREAS, there are two requests for using CDBG funds; and

WHEREAS, the two requests include American with Disabilities Act (ADA) improvements at the Folsom City Zoo Sanctuary and the Interpretive Area; and

WHEREAS, assistance with the design and construction ADA improvements is an appropriate use of CDBG funds; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Folsom hereby authorizes the City Manager to Execute an Agreement with the Sacramento Housing and Redevelopment Agency for the Programming of \$200,000 in Community Development Block Grant Funds for 2008.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 13th day of November 2007, by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Council Member(s):

NOES: Council Member(s):

ABSENT: Council Member(s):

ABSTAIN: Council Member(s):

Andrew J. Morin, MAYOR

ATTEST:

Christa Schmidt, CITY CLERK