

CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION and ARTS, PARKS, LIBRARIES, AND COMMUNITY ENRICHMENT COMMITTEE REPORT relative to an Agreement with Ocean View Farms, Inc. for the operation and maintenance of the Ocean View Farms Community Garden located at 3304 South Centinela Avenue.

Recommendations for Council action:

- 1. DETERMINE that the Agreement is categorically exempt from the CEQA provisions pursuant to Article 19, Section 15301 (Operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, licensing, or minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of existing or former use) of the California CEQA Guidelines; and, Article III, Section 1, Class 4(7) of the City CEQA Guidelines.
- 2. APPROVE the three-year Agreement between the Department and Recreation and Parks (RAP) and Ocean View Farms, Inc., a California non-profit organization, for the operation and maintenance of the Ocean View Farms Community Garden located at 3304 South Centinela Avenue, substantially in the form included as Attachment No. 1 of the Board of Recreation and Parks (Board) report dated November 20, 2025, attached to the Council file.
- 3. AUTHORIZE the President and Secretary, Board, to execute the Agreement subsequent to all necessary approvals.
- 4. AUTHORIZE the RAP to make technical corrections in order to carry out the Board’s intent of said report.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The Board reports that approval of the Agreement will have no adverse impact on the RAP's General Fund, as Ocean View Farms, Inc. will be solely responsible for costs and expenses associated with the operation and maintenance of the premises described in said Board report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

SUMMARY

At its meeting held December 9, 2025, your Arts, Parks, Libraries, and Community Enrichment Committee considered the Board report, dated November 20, 2025, relative to the approval of a Categorical Exemption and a proposed Agreement between the RAP and Ocean View Farms, Inc. for the continued operation and maintenance of the Ocean View Farms Community Garden located at 3304 South Centinela Avenue within the Mar Vista community in Council District 11. The premises of the six-acre Community Garden is located on a portion of Department of Water and Power-owned property leased to the RAP through a lease agreement executed on February 17, 1967. The proposed Agreement authorizes Ocean View Farms, Inc. to continue its operation and maintenance of the Community Garden at their sole expense for the benefit of the local community, under the terms and conditions set forth in said Agreement for a period of three years. After an opportunity for public comment was held, the Committee recommended that Council approve the recommendations contained in the Board report, as detailed above. This matter is now forwarded to the Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

ARTS, PARKS, LIBRARIES, AND COMMUNITY ENRICHMENT COMMITTEE

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
JURADO:	YES
HERNANDEZ:	YES
NAZARIAN:	YES