

CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION and ARTS, PARKS, AND CITY FACILITIES COMMITTEE REPORT relative to a proposed Agreement with Rancho Preschool Inc. for the operation of a recreational child development and preschool program at Cheviot Hills Recreation Center located at 2551 Motor Avenue.

Recommendations for Council action:

1. DETERMINE that the proposed action is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article III, Section 1, Class 1(14) [Issuance of a license to use an existing structure involving negligible or no expansion of use] of the City CEQA Guidelines; and, Article 19, Section 15301 of the California CEQA Guidelines.
2. APPROVE the proposed Agreement with Rancho Preschool Inc. (Organization), a California non-profit corporation, setting forth the terms and conditions for the operation of a recreational child development and preschool program during the academic season at the Cheviot Hills Aquatic building, within the Cheviot Hills Recreation Center located at 25551 Motor Avenue, substantially in the form included as Attachment 1 of the Board of Recreation and Park Commissioners (Board) report dated August 20, 2026, attached to the Council file, subject to approval of the City Attorney as to form.
3. AUTHORIZE the President and Secretary, Board, to execute the Agreement subsequent to all necessary approvals.
4. AUTHORIZE the Department of Recreation and Parks (RAP) to make any necessary technical changes consistent with the Board's intent in approving the proposed Agreement.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The Board reports that the proposed Agreement will have no adverse fiscal impact on the RAP's General Fund, as the Organization is a self-sustaining program, and operational and program costs will be covered by the Organization.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

TIME LIMIT FILE – OCTOBER 19, 2026

(LAST DAY FOR COUNCIL ACTION – OCTOBER 16, 2026)

SUMMARY

At its meeting held on October 7, 2026, your Arts, Parks, and City Facilities Committee considered the Board report, dated August 20, 2026, relative to a proposed Agreement with Rancho Preschool Inc. for the operation of a recreational child development and preschool program in the Aquatic building (Premises) within the Cheviot Hills Recreation Center located at 2551 Motor Avenue. The Organization has been operating a parent cooperative preschool program for up to 24 children ages two years and six months to five years old at the Premises; and, proposes to provide a Transitional Kindergarten program for older children with structured age-appropriate learning activities. After an opportunity for public comment was held, the Committee moved to 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, AND CITY FACILITIES COMMITTEE

MEMBER	VOTE
RODRIGUEZ:	YES
NAZARIAN:	YES
YAROSLAVSKY:	ABSENT

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