

**MOORPARK CITY COUNCIL
AGENDA REPORT**

TO: Honorable City Council

FROM: Mary K. Lindley, Parks, Recreation & Community Services Director 

DATE: August 25, 2008 (CC Meeting of September 3, 2008)

SUBJECT: Consider Resolution Amending the Fiscal Year 2008/09 Budget to Purchase a Water Tank and Trailer for Use in Graffiti Abatement

DISCUSSION

The Council is asked to adopt the attached Resolution amending the FY 2008/09 Budget by allocating an additional \$4,700 for the purchase of a 250 gallon water tank, 5' x 8' trailer, high pressure hose reel and 110 volt transfer pump to assist the Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department abate graffiti in City parks, facilities and within landscape areas.

The Department has two pressure washers: a large unit that can use sand in addition to water and a second smaller unit that is less efficient and cannot accommodate sand. The Department does not have a water tank and must use Public Work's water tank when graffiti is not close to a hose bib, which is approximately 65 percent of the time. The larger pressure washer must be towed on a trailer. Because the water tank must be towed too, the default method of operation is to use the small pressure washer on removal projects where no hose bib is available. On such occasions, we spend more time removing the graffiti when the use of larger pressure washer and sand would improve the process. The larger unit is towed out to the site only when a hose bib is available. Because of the process involved and the limited size of our weekend staff, we do not remove graffiti on Saturday or Sunday if it requires a pressure washer, we only handle graffiti that can be removed with solvent.

Staff is proposing to purchase a trailer mounted water tank, high pressure hose reel, and a 110 volt transfer pump. The Department's existing large water pressure washer unit would be mounted on the trailer behind the water tank. This would allow the Department to use the large unit whenever it is most appropriate for the situation, regardless of whether there is a hose bib or not. It would also make it possible to use the large water pressure on the weekends for graffiti removal. Over the past four

months, the Department has averaged approximately 150 hours of graffiti abatement per month. Our objective is the make to task of removing graffiti more efficient, freeing up staff hours for other projects.

FISCAL IMPACT

It is proposed that the purchase be funded from the Park Maintenance Fund (2400) which receives its revenues from the Park Assessment. Since Park Maintenance Fund expenditures exceed revenues from the Park Assessment, the General Fund must make up the difference. According to the City Manager's budget message to the Council dated June 6, 2008, it is anticipated that at the end of the FY 2008/09, approximately \$1,258,000 will need to be transferred from the General Fund to the Park Maintenance Fund. If the City Council approves the recommended action, the transfer amount will increase by \$4,700.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION (Roll Call Vote)

Adopt Resolution No. 2008-__.

Attachment: A – Resolution

RESOLUTION NO. 2008-

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MOORPARK, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2008/09 BUDGET TO ALLOCATE \$4,700 FROM THE PARK MAINTENANCE FUND (2400) TO THE PARK MAINTENANCE EXPENDITURE BUDGET ACCOUNT (2400-0000)

WHEREAS, on July 16, 2008, the City Council adopted the budget for Fiscal Year 2008/09; and

WHEREAS, a staff report has been presented to said Council requesting a budget amendment allocating \$4,700 from the Park Maintenance Fund for the purchase of graffiti removal equipment.

WHEREAS, Exhibit "A" hereof describes said budget amendment and its resultant impacts to the budget line item(s).

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MOORPARK DOES HEREBY RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. A budget amendment allocating \$4,700 from the Park Maintenance Fund for graffiti removal equipment as more particularly described in Exhibit "A" attached hereto is hereby approved.

SECTION 2. The City Clerk shall certify to the adoption of this resolution and shall cause a certified resolution to be filed in the book of original resolutions.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 3rd day of September, 2008.

Patrick Hunter, Mayor

ATTEST:

Deborah S. Traffenstedt, City Clerk

