

**CITY OF SAN ANTONIO
PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT
CITY COUNCIL AGENDA MEMORANDUM**

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: Malcolm Matthews, Director, Parks and Recreation Department

SUBJECT: River Walk Repair Funds

DATE: December 15, 2005

SUMMARY AND RECOMMENDATIONS

This ordinance appropriates \$150,000.00 from the River Walk Capital Improvement Fund in order to accomplish repair projects on the River Walk in City Council District 1; allocates this amount into the River Walk Maintenance Repairs Project; and provides for payment.

Staff recommends approval of this ordinance.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The River Walk Capital Improvement Fund was established as a result of a litigation settlement agreement in 2001 that concerned ownership of the River Walk property. Lease payments that are collected from tenants along the River Walk are deposited into this designated fund. Several projects have been identified as priority repairs by the River Walk Capital Improvement Advisory Committee. The projects include American Disabilities Act (ADA) modifications in accordance with State and Federal guidelines, wall restoration, metal work restoration and replacement, electrical modifications, tile mural repairs and other general tasks. The priorities were combined into one overall project and Fisher Heck Architects, Inc. was selected to prepare construction bid documents through Ordinance 100229 on January 6, 2005.

In order to accomplish needed repair work during the river maintenance down time in January 2006, several small projects will be pulled out of the larger combined package. The scope of work includes wall repair, sidewalk/paver replacement, and general site work. These will be accomplished by various small contractors within the guidelines of the City's purchasing procedures. The larger, more complex projects will be bid as a new package in early 2006.

Staging and sequencing for the various River Walk projects will be coordinated in order to minimize disruption to the tenants and events scheduled for the area.

POLICY ANALYSIS

This action is consistent with the purpose of the River Walk Capital Improvement Fund established for projects identified by the River Walk Capital Improvements Advisory Board. ADA improvements are required by State and Federal guidelines.

FISCAL IMPACT

The River Walk Rehabilitation Project is listed in the FY06-FY11 Capital Improvement Program. The small projects to be accomplished are components of this overall package. The proposed ordinance will appropriate \$150,000.00 from the River Walk Capital Improvement Fund into the River Walk Maintenance Repairs Project.

COORDINATION

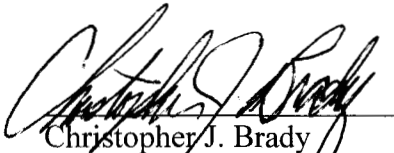
The overall project has been coordinated with the River Walk Capital Improvements Advisory Board, the Paseo del Rio Association, the Historic Design Review Commission, the Public Works Department, the Environmental Services Department, the Finance Department, and the Office of Management and Budget.

SUPPLEMENTARY COMMENTS

A Discretionary Contract Disclosure statement is not required.



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