MEMORANDUM

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR & CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

FROM: JOEL ROJAS, AICP, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR

DATE: APRIL 15, 2014

SUBJECT: RPV / PVPLC MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT AMENDMENT NO. 1 (SUPPORTS 2014 CITY COUNCIL GOAL – TRAIL SYSTEM ENHANCEMENT)

REVIEWED: CAROLYNN PETRU, ACTING CITY MANAGER

Project Manager: Ara Mihranian, AICP, Deputy Community Development Director

RECOMMENDATION

Approve Amendment No. 1 to the RPV / PVPLC Management Agreement to amend Exhibit A, the Map of the Preserve Properties that are Managed by the PVPLC, to reflect the removal of the Archery Range Property from the Preserve and the addition of 7 acres to the Preserve resulting from the reconfiguration of the boundary limits of Gateway Park as approved by the City Council at its April 1, 2014 meeting.

BACKGROUND

At its April 1, 2014 meeting, the City Council agreed to enroll the recently acquired 58-acre Malaga Canyon property into the Preserve, remove the 40-acre Archery Range Property from the Preserve, and reconfigure the Preserve boundary with Gateway Park resulting in an additional 7 acres added to the Preserve. In addition, the Council, via the adopted motion, directed Staff to come back with an amendment to the Management Agreement between the City and the PVPLC to reflect these changes to the Preserve. This evening, the Council is being asked to approve Amendment No. 1 to the RPV / PVPLC Management Agreement amending the map of the Preserve properties managed by the PVPLC.

DISCUSSION

On November 1, 2011, the City Council approved the Management Agreement between the City and the PVPLC that describes the Preserve management responsibilities for both
entities. Attached to and incorporated as part of the Management Agreement, as Exhibit A, is the Map of the Preserve Properties Managed by the PVPLC. Pursuant to the Council’s action at its April 1st meeting, the Map of the Preserve properties has been amended to reflect the following changes (see attachment):

1. The removal of the 40-acre Archery Range Property from the Preserve; and,
2. The reconfiguration of the Preserve boundary with Gateway Park which adds 7 acres to the Preserve.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Management of the Malaga Canyon Property

As noted earlier, the Council agreed to enroll the recently City acquired 58-acre Malaga Canyon open space property into the City’s Palos Verdes Nature Preserve at the April 1st meeting. However, because the PVPLC highlighted the importance of having a conservation easement recorded over the property prior to the lands being enrolled in the Preserve and commencing management, the attached Exhibit is not being modified to include Malaga Canyon at this time. Discussions continue between the City and the PVPLC on the final wording of the conservation easement. Once there is an agreement on the final conservation easement language it will be brought to the City Council for approval. At that time, Exhibit A to the Management Agreement will be updated to include the Malaga Canyon Property. Staff anticipates this being completed within the next few months.

Clarification of Trail Maintenance Responsibilities

At the April 1st meeting, Councilman Knight suggested that the trail maintenance section of the Management Agreement be clarified. Staff intends to make this clarification to the Management Agreement at the time the Council is asked to amend the PUMP’s Preserve Trails Plan (PTP) to include the Malaga Canyon property.

FISCAL IMPACTS

As reported in April 1st Staff Report, Staff anticipates a small fiscal impact resulting from the removal of the Archery Range Property from the Preserve since trail signage and maintenance on the property would become the responsibility of the City. Staff estimates this cost to be $500. Staff does not anticipate any fiscal impact from the reconfiguration of the Preserve boundary with Gateway Park.

CONCLUSION

Based on the information provided herein, Staff recommends that the City Council approve Amendment No. 1 to the RPV / PVPLC Management Agreement amending Exhibit A, Map of the Preserve Properties Managed by the PVPLC, to reflect the removal of the Archery Range Property from the Preserve and to add 7 acres to the Preserve resulting from the reconfiguration of the boundary limits of Gateway Park.
ATTACHMENTS

- Amendment No. 1 to the RPV / PVPLC Management Agreement
  - Exhibit A - Map of the Preserve Properties Managed by the PVPLC
First Amendment to the Management Agreement between the City of Rancho Palos Verdes and the Palos Verdes Peninsula Land Conservancy

This agreement is the first amendment ("First Amendment") to the Management Agreement between the City of Rancho Palos Verdes ("City") and the Palos Verdes Peninsula Land Conservancy ("PVPLC"), dated November 1, 2011 ("Agreement"). This First Amendment is effective as of April 16, 2014.

Section 1. Exhibit "A" to the Agreement, which is the Map of the properties within the Palos Verdes Nature Preserve ("Preserve") that are managed by PVPLC on behalf of the City, is hereby amended as follows: 1) to remove the 40-acre Archery Range Property, which corresponds to the removal of that Property from the Preserve, and 2) to reconfigure the Preserve Boundary within Gateway Park, which corresponds to the addition of 7 acres to the Preserve.

Section 2. Except as expressly amended by this First Amendment, all of the other provisions of the Agreement shall remain in full force and effect.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this First Amendment as of the date and year first above written.

Dated: ___________________________ PALOS VERDES PENINSULA LAND CONSERVANCY

By: ___________________________

Printed Name: ___________________

Title: ___________________________

By: ___________________________

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Title: ___________________________

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