




**EAST BAY REGIONAL PARK DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
AGENDA STAFF REPORT**

DATE	March 19, 2024
TITLE	Authorization to Execute an Amended and Restated Operating Agreement with the City of Martinez for the Park District's Continued Operation of 203± Acres of Parkland: Carquinez Strait Regional Shoreline
DIVISION	Acquisition, Stewardship, and Development
FROM	Becky Bremser, Chief of Land Acquisition Ken Wysocki, Assistant General Manager of ASD
APPROVED	Sabrina Landreth, General Manager 

RECOMMENDATION

The General Manager recommends that the Board of Directors authorize staff to execute an Amended and Restated Operating Agreement with the City of Martinez (City) for continued operation of 203± acres of parkland for a 25-year term, with one option to extend for an additional 25-year term.

BACKGROUND

The 1993 Land Use Plan for Carquinez Strait Regional Shoreline envisioned linking the park's Franklin Hills open space above the City of Martinez to the City's Rankin Park and City-owned open space located above Alhambra High School, to provide improved neighborhood access to the park. In 1994, by its Resolution 1994-6-164, the East Bay Regional Park District (Park District) Board of Directors authorized staff to execute an Operating Agreement with the City for the Park District's operation and maintenance of 212± acres of City property as part of Carquinez Strait Regional Shoreline and the California State Riding and Hiking Trail. The 1994 Operating Agreement included 59.85± acres located above Rankin Park and 152.5± acres located above Alhambra High School. These properties have since been connected through the acquisition of the intervening properties by the Park District.

The 1994 Operating Agreement expired in 2019 and the Park District has continued to operate the subject properties on a month-to-month basis while Park District and City staff worked together to draft an Amended and Restated Operating Agreement. The terms of the new agreement remain essentially the same with one notable difference: the acreage to be operated by the Park District above Rankin Park has been modified to exclude the historic olive orchard from Park District responsibility and more closely align with current operations and public safety response. The acreage above Rankin Park has been reduced from 59.85± acres to 50.6± acres. There will be no added costs or responsibilities as a result of the aforementioned changes. The Amended and Restated Agreement has a 25-year term with one option to extend for an additional 25-year term.

ANALYSIS

Execution of the proposed Amended and Restated Operating Agreement will allow the Park District to continue to provide neighborhood access to Carquinez Strait Regional Shoreline and the California Riding and Hiking Trail in the City of Martinez through 2074.

FISCAL IMPACT

There are no direct costs associated with the execution of the Amended and Restated Operating Agreement, other than staff time.

ATTACHMENTS

Exhibit A: Map

Exhibit A-I: Map



**EAST BAY REGIONAL PARK DISTRICT
RESOLUTION NO. 2024 - 03-
MARCH 19, 2024**

**AUTHORIZATION TO EXECUTE AN AMENDED AND RESTATED OPERATING
AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF MARTINEZ FOR THE PARK DISTRICT'S
CONTINUED OPERATION OF 203± ACRES OF PARKLAND: CARQUINEZ STRAIT
REGIONAL SHORELINE**

WHEREAS, in 1994 the East Bay Regional Park District (Park District) executed an Operating Agreement with the City of Martinez (City) for the Park District's operation and maintenance of approximately 212± acres of City property as part of Carquinez Strait Regional Shoreline and the California Riding and Hiking Trail; and

WHEREAS, the 1994 Operating Agreement provided neighborhood access to the Park's Franklin Hills open space from 1) F Street, located adjacent to Alhambra Valley High School, and 2) the City's Rankin Park; and

WHEREAS, the Operating Agreement expired in 2019 and the Park District has been operating the City's open space properties on a month-to-month basis; and

WHEREAS, the City has agreed to execute an Amended and Restated Operating Agreement for a 25-year term, with one option to extend for an additional 25-year term; and

WHEREAS, all terms and conditions remain essentially the same with the exception of a reduction in acres above Rankin Park to exclude the historic olive orchard from the Park District's responsibility and better reflect operations and public safety response;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the East Bay Regional Park District hereby authorizes staff to execute an Amended and Restated Operating Agreement with the City of Martinez for the Park District's continued operation of 203± acres of City property as part of the Carquinez Strait Regional Shoreline and the California Riding and Hiking trail, for a 25-year term, with one option to extend for an additional 25-year term, out to the year 2074, as presented to the Board on March 19, 2024; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the General Manager is hereby authorized and directed, on behalf of the Park District and in its name, to execute and deliver such documents and to do such acts as may be deemed necessary or appropriate to accomplish the intentions of this resolution.

Moved by Director _____, and seconded by Director _____, and adopted March 19, 2024, by the following vote:

FOR:

AGAINST:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

