

STAFF REPORT 6/11/2025

То:	Honorable Mayor and City Council Members
FROM:	Andrew Simmons, P.E., Director of Public Works/City Engineer
Subject:	Adopt Resolution No. 2025-32 Authorizing the City Manager to Execute a Grant Agreement with the Coachella Valley Mountains Conservancy Proposition 1 Grant Program in the amount of \$400,000 for the Rancho Las Flores Park Retention Basin Project

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the City Council consider adopting Resolution No. 2025-32 authorizing the City Manager to execute a grant agreement with the Coachella Valley Mountains Conservancy Proposition 1 Grant Program in the amount of \$400,000 for the Rancho Las Flores Park Retention Basin Project.

BACKGROUND:

The Coachella Valley Mountains Conservancy (CVMC) Proposition 1, Water Quality, Supply and Infrastructure Improvement Act of 2014 addresses an array of challenges facing California's limited water resources. The program objectives include preserving and restoring wetlands and habitat for endangered species, improving the reliability of water supplies, and developing a more resilient and sustainably managed water infrastructure. The City of Coachella successfully submitted an application for the Coachella Valley Mountains Conservancy Proposition 1 Grant Program on March 26, 2025 to supplement funding for its retention basin as part of its Rancho Las Flores Park project. On May 12, 2025, the CVMC approved the City's application for the amount of \$400,000.

DISCUSSION/ANALYSIS:

The total project cost for the P-31 Rancho Las Flores Park Expansion project, as proposed in the 2025/2026 fiscal year budget is \$17,103,376. Only the portions of this total project amount that are directly related to drainage, storm water and improvements in swales and retention basin areas is eligible for CVMC Prop 1 funding. The Rancho Las Flores Park retention basin project costs \$3,709,701 and the CVMC Prop 1 will contribute \$400,000 to the total project cost.

Rancho Las Flores Park Retention Basin Project Funding Overview			
Funding Sources:			
Prop 68 – Park Grant	\$2,708,730.90		
Park DIF	\$600,970.10		
CVMC Prop 1 grant	\$400,000		
Project Total	\$3,709,701		

It should be noted that the above Prop 68 and Park DIF allocations are already included in the total project budget. The above budget recommendation does not allocate or request any additional funding for the project from either the General fund or Park DIF funds. Previously, \$3,000,000 in Park DIF funds had been requested for the Rancho Las Flores Project, which is inclusive of the work described herein. The above distribution of funds clarifies the required distribution of State, local and Prop 1 funding in order to be in compliance with local matching funds requirements.

ALTERNATIVES:

- 1. Adopt Resolution No. 2025-32 Authorizing the City Manager to Execute a Grant Agreement with the Coachella Valley Mountains Conservancy Proposition 1 Grant Program in the amount of \$400,000 for the Rancho Las Flores Park Retention Basin Project
- 2. Not Adopt Resolution No. 2025-32 Authorizing the City Manager to Execute a Grant Agreement with the Coachella Valley Mountains Conservancy Proposition 1 Grant Program in the amount of \$400,0000 for the Rancho Las Flores Park Retention Basin Project

FISCAL IMPACT:

Adoption of Resolution No. 2025-32 will have no effect on the City's General Fund. The proposed budget for P-31 Rancho Las Flores Park Expansion Project has already included Prop 68 grant funds and Park DIF funds necessary to achieve the required matching funds for grant delivery.

ATTACHMENTS:

- 1. Resolution No. 2025-32
- 2. Copy of Grant Agreement