



Edwin M. Lee, Mayor
Philip A. Ginsburg, General Manager

Date: February 25, 2013
To: Recreation and Parks Operations Committee
From: Lisa Bransten
Re: DN&E Walter

Agenda Item Wording:

Discussion and possible action to accept a grant of \$10,000 from DN&E Walter to support the Golden Gate Park recycling program.

Background:

Last year DN&E Walter -- a San Francisco company of which San Francisco civic leader Warren Hellman was a director until his death in 2011 -- decided to make a contribution to the Recreation and Parks Department as a way to honor Mr. Hellman's memory and his love of Golden Gate Park. The company decided to support Golden Gate Park recycling, which Mr. Hellman's Hardly Strictly Bluegrass Festival has supported for the past two years.

Starting in 2010, the Hardly Strictly Bluegrass Festival has made yearly contributions to the Recreation and Parks Department to purchase materials, supplies, equipment and amenities for Golden Gate Park. For the past two years this contribution has included funds to support the Golden Gate Park recycling program. The DN&E grant is meant to complement this element of the HSB funding.

These grants, along with contributions from other park supporters, will be used to purchase containers to for two-stream recycling stations in Golden Gate Park as part of the department's initiative to replace the green 55-gallon drums that had been used to collect all waste generated in the park. These attractive new receptacles allow park visitors to separately dispose of recyclable materials such as cans and bottles from other garbage and thereby reduce the amount of waste sent to area landfills. To date the department has installed 62-two stream recycling sites in Golden Gate Park and hopes to install approximately 38 more this year. This grant will help the department achieve that goal.

Recommendation:

Department management and staff recommends acceptance of this grant.

Financial Impact:

\$10,000

Supported by:

Department management and staff

Opposed By:

No known at this time



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