



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

**Date:** January 29, 2013  
**To:** Recreation and Park Commission  
**From:** Lisa Bransten  
**Re:** Hardly Strictly Bluegrass Grant (Big Billy Inc. dba Slim's)

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**Agenda Item Wording:**

Discussion and possible action to (1) accept a grant of \$76,566 from Big Billy Inc. dba Slim's on behalf of the Hardly Strictly Bluegrass festival to purchase dual-stream recycling containers, turf maintenance materials, and equipment including a club car for spreading fertilizer and transporting materials in Golden Gate Park; and (2) recommend that the Board of Supervisors accept and expend approximately \$20,000 from Big Billy Inc. dba Slim's to purchase two club cars for Golden Gate Park.

**Background:**

Since 2010, the sponsor of the Hardly Strictly Bluegrass Festival (HSB) -- Big Billy Inc. dba Slim's -- has made annual grants to the Recreation and Park Department ("RPD") to fund amenities and supplies in Golden Gate Park in recognition of the park's importance as the site of the yearly festival. Each year, the grant budget is developed based on a list of needs determined by Golden Gate Park operations staff.

*2012 Grant*

This year's HSB grant provides \$76,566 to fund the purchase of recycling and turf maintenance materials and supplies in Golden Gate Park as follows:

*Golden Gate Park Recycling*

A portion of the grant will be used to purchase containers for two-stream recycling stations in Golden Gate Park. In 2011, RPD began replacing the green 55-gallon drums with new two-stream recycling installations. These attractive new receptacles allow park visitors to separate their cans and bottles from other garbage and thereby reduce the amount of waste sent to area landfills. This grant will help RPD achieve its goal of having recycling containers throughout Golden Gate Park.

*Turf Maintenance Materials and Supplies*

The 2012 grant will also be used to purchase soil amendment, sprinkler heads and other irrigation equipment, cargo containers for storing equipment and supplies, cement to properly install the cargo containers and a Club car. The Club car is a small vehicle similar to a golf cart with cargo capacity that is used for jobs such as spreading fertilizer in meadows, transporting equipment, and removing green waste. The 2011 HSBG grant -- which this Commission approved last year -- also included approximately \$10,000 for the purchase of a separate Club car. That Club car has not yet been purchased because the Department does not have appropriations authority to do so.



*Board of Supervisors Recommendation*

Although the 2012 grant falls below the \$100,000 general threshold for Board of Supervisors approval, the Board does need to provide appropriation authority to purchase the two Club cars proposed under the 2011 and 2012 grants. Therefore, staff request that the RPD Commission recommend that the Board of Supervisors accept and expend a total of approximately \$20,000 -- \$10,000 from the 2012 grant and \$10,000 from the 2011 grant -- to be used for the purchase of two club cars.

**Recommendation:**

Department management and staff recommend that the Recreation and Park Commission accept this grant and recommend that the Board of Supervisors accept and expend approximately \$20,000 on two club cars.

**Financial Impact:**

\$76,566

**Supported by:**

Department management and staff

**Opposed By:**

No known at this time

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