

Council Meeting of
January 8, 2008

Honorable Mayor and Members
of the City Council
City Hall
Torrance, California

Members of the Council:

SUBJECT: City Manager – Authorize subsidy of building permit fees for “Aging in Place” project at New Horizons. Expenditure: \$332.30

RECOMMENDATION

Recommendation of the City Manager that City Council authorize the subsidy of building permit fees in the amount of \$332.30 for an “Aging in Place” renovation project at New Horizons.

Funding

Funding is available in FEAP 658-Expansion of SMART Program Project.

BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS

Recently a request was received by the City Manager to offset the permit fees required by the City to provide renovation of a home for a low-income disabled senior resident of New Horizons in Torrance. The request was made by a committee called “Aging in Place”, which is a cooperative effort of the Los Angeles Chapter of the American Society of Interior Designers (ASID), the Torrance Kiwanis Club, an accessibility specialist, construction contractors, and other volunteers.

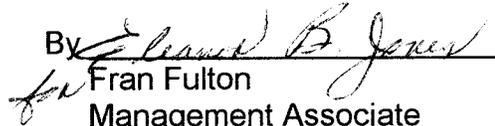
The owner of the home at New Horizons has suffered a stroke that has left him paralyzed on one side and unable to use his bath in its current configuration. The project plans for this residence include; combining two bathrooms into one universal designed bath, as well as the installation of new windows, doors, flooring, lighting, paint and furniture throughout the home.

The partnership effort involved in this project is an example of those that are anticipated for the expanded Special Multi Agency Response Team (SMART) home improvement program recently approved by Council. Until specifics are determined for the SMART

program, the City Manager is recommending that Council authorize a subsidy of \$332.30 for the building permit fees for the project presented in this item.

Respectfully submitted,

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CITY MANAGER

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CONCUR:


LeRoy J. Jackson
City Manager