

**RESOLUTION NO. 75-08**

**RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RICHMOND,  
CALIFORNIA ENDORSING EAST BAY REGIONAL PARK DISTRICT'S  
PROPOSED EXTENSION OF REGIONAL OPEN SPACE, WILDLIFE,  
SHORELINE AND PARKS BOND**

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**WHEREAS**, the City of Richmond and the East Bay Regional Park District are public agencies jointly responsible for providing important public services to our resident constituents; and

**WHEREAS**, the East Bay Regional Park District has expanded by more than 34,000 acres of parkland and shoreline in the last 20 years, largely as a result of funding provided by the 1988 voter approved bond Measure AA which also provided \$60 million in funding for local parks and recreation projects; and

**WHEREAS**, in response to continuing community interest, the East Bay Regional Park District Board of Directors is considering placing a bond measure on the November 2008 ballot to extend the Measure AA program; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed measure would replicate and extend the successful \$225 million Measure AA bond passed in 1988; and

**WHEREAS**, the specifics of the Park District's proposed park bond measure are as follows:

- The proposed issuance of bonds is structured to retain the property tax rate at or below the existing tax rate of \$10 per \$100,000 of property value for property owners.
- The \$500 million bond initiative must be approved by two-thirds of voters in Alameda and Contra Costa counties in November 2008.
- \$125 million (25%) of the bond proceeds will fund local park and recreation projects on a per-capita grant program to Cities and other local agencies.
- \$375 million (75%) of the bond proceeds will fund regional park acquisitions, open space preservation, park development, habitat restoration, and an emergency reserve.
- A detailed project list has been compiled which is available to the public.
- The Park District Board of Directors will conduct annual public hearings on projects to be selected and funded by the Measure.
- EBRPD's Park Advisory Committee provides oversight review.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the City Council of the City of Richmond does hereby endorse the East Bay Regional Park District's Proposed Extension of Regional Open Space, Wildlife, Shoreline and Parks Bond which will be placed on the November 4, 2008 ballot in Alameda and Contra Costa Counties.

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I certify that the foregoing resolution was passed and adopted by the Council of the City of Richmond at a regular meeting thereof held on July 1, 2008, by the following vote:

AYES:	Councilmembers Bates, Butt, Lopez, Marquez, Rogers, Sandhu, Thurmond, Viramontes, and Mayor McLaughlin
NOES:	None
ABSTENTIONS:	None
ABSENT:	None

DIANE HOLMES  
Clerk of the City of Richmond

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Approved:

GAYLE McLAUGHLIN  
Mayor

Approved as to form:

LOUISE RENNE, Interim  
City Attorney

State of California	}
County of Contra Costa	: ss.
City of Richmond	}

I certify that the foregoing is a true copy of Resolution No. 75-08, finally passed and adopted by the Council of the City of Richmond at meeting held on July 1, 2008.