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Tomorrow After more than 18 months of putting paper work through close order drill and forced marches to various state and fereral agencies, the Urban Redevelopment agency will begin buying its first parcels in the San Lorenzo park area

Monday.

URA Director Earl Newkirk said the furst purchase will be made from the city for land already picked up under flood control acquisition. Friday he met with federal URA officials who gave the green light to real estate estimates and approved \$182,150

to go into escrow at local title companies. The money is a part of the \$250 the agency borrowed from local banks recently. The title companies will turn the money over to the city when the lord in deeded to LIPA.

Senator William Knowland (R-Calif.) announced a joint)
Senate-House committee cleared a further barrier to the project. In a telegram to City Manager Robert Klein yesterday, the senator said the committee's report approves \$1.2 million for the San Lorenzo park project this year. The formal authorization followed the signing of the URA—federal agency contract last month.

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francisco was to rush through fedreral concurance on prices of land to be purchased in the park si the city's badly depleted revolving fund can be reimbursed. The fund is used to buy land along the flood control take lines. Much of the fund is currently tied up in land the city had left.

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Another quick transaction by URA in the park area will be to purchase a house and lot as soon as possible to set up a site relocation office where Assistant URA Director Dave Hallstrom will aid persons to move out of the park area in finding suitable housing elsewhere.

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