REPORT OF GENERAL MANAGER

DATE June 5, 2013

BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

SUBJECT: SYCAMORE GROVE PARK - TENNIS COURT IMPROVEMENTS (PRJ20673) PROJECT – ALLOCATION OF QUIMBY FEES

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RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the Board:

1. Authorize the reallocation of $25,000.00 in Quimby Fees, previously allocated for the Downey Recreation Center - Pool Replacement (PRJ1503P) project, approved on October 9, 2009, per Board Report No. 09-258, to the Sycamore Grove Park - Tennis Court Improvements (PRJ20673) project;

2. Authorize the Department’s Chief Accounting Employee to transfer $25,000.00 in Quimby Fees from the Downey Recreation Center Account No. 89460K-DY to the Sycamore Grove Park Account No. 89460K-S8; and,

3. Approve the allocation of $25,000.00 in Quimby Fees from Sycamore Grove Park Account No. 89460K-S8 for the Sycamore Grove Park - Tennis Court Improvements (PRJ20673) project, as described in the Summary of this Report.

SUMMARY:

Sycamore Grove Park is located at 4702 North Figueroa Street in the East Los Angeles community of the City. This 13.62 acre property includes picnic areas, tennis courts, a play area, outdoor fitness equipment, and a band shell. Due to the facilities, features, programs, and services it provides, Sycamore Grove Park meets the standard for a Community Park as defined in the City’s Public Recreation Plan.
On November 21, 2012, the Board approved the allocation of $45,000.00 in Quimby Fees for the Sycamore Grove Park – Tennis Court Improvements (PRJ20673) project, (Board Report No. 12-299). The scope of the approved Sycamore Grove Park – Tennis Court Improvements (PRJ20673) project included renovation and improvement of existing tennis courts, existing fencing, and park lighting at Sycamore Grove Park.

Department staff has determined that supplemental funding will be necessary for the completion and closeout of the project.

On October 9, 2009, the Board approved the allocation of $325,000.22 in Quimby Fees for the Downey Recreation Center - Pool Replacement (PRJ1503P) project, (Board Report No. 09-258). This project is complete and there is unexpended Quimby funding available for reallocation to other projects.

Upon approval of this report, $25,000.00 in Quimby Fees from the Downey Recreation Center Account No. 89460K-DY can be relocated from the Downey Recreation Center - Pool Replacement (PRJ1503P) project, transferred to Sycamore Grove Park Account No. 89460K-S8, and allocated to the Sycamore Grove Park - Tennis Court Improvements (PRJ20673) project.

The total Quimby Fees allocation for the Sycamore Grove Park - Tennis Court Improvements (PRJ20673) project, including previously allocated Quimby Fees, is $70,000.00. These Fees were collected within two (2) miles of Sycamore Grove Park, which is the standard distance for the allocation of the Quimby Fees for community recreational facilities.

Department staff has determined that the subject project is a continuation of an existing project approved on November 7, 2012 (Board Report No. 12-299) that is exempted from CEQA [Class 1(1)]. The work funded by the current Board action will not result in any additional environmental impacts, and therefore, is covered by the existing CEQA exemption. No additional CEQA documentation is required.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

The approval of this allocation of Quimby Fees will have no fiscal impact on the Department as the implementation of the proposed park capital improvements will not increase the level of daily maintenance required at this facility.

The estimated costs for the design, development, and construction of the proposed park improvements are anticipated to be funded by Quimby Fees or funding sources other than the Department's General Fund.
The maintenance of the proposed park improvements can be performed by current staff with no overall impact to existing maintenance services.

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