

REPORT OF GENERAL MANAGER

NO. 05-203

DATE July 13, 2005

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BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

SUBJECT: QUEEN ANNE RECREATION CENTER: TRANSFER AND APPROPRIATION OF QUIMBY FEES FOR FENCING IMPROVEMENTS

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Approved _____ Disapproved _____ Withdrawn _____

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board:

1. Approve the transfer of funds in the amount of \$90,000.00 from the South Seas House sub-account (460K-SS) back to the Queen Anne Recreation Center sub-account (460K-QA); and
2. Approve the appropriation of \$40,000.00 in Quimby/Park Fees to the Queen Anne Recreation Center (sub-account 460K-QA) for fencing improvements around the baseball field and tennis courts.

SUMMARY:

The fencing around the baseball field and tennis courts at the Queen Anne Recreation Center is damaged, causing potential safety issues. New fencing needs to be installed, including backstop fencing, posts, and related improvements. It is estimated that the fencing and related improvements project will cost approximately \$40,000.00 and can be done by City contract vendors.

On March 6, 2002, the Board of Recreation and Parks approved Board Report #02-94, which authorized the transfer of \$90,000.00 from the Queen Anne Recreation Center (460K-QA) to the South Seas House sub-account (460K-SS) to help fund the building refurbishment project at the

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South Seas House. However, these Quimby funds were to be used only if the other sources of funding became unavailable, or were insufficient to complete the South Seas House refurbishment project. The Board Report also specified that if the alternate funding was sufficient and available, the Quimby funds would be returned in the original amount to the Queen Anne Recreation Center sub-account (460K-QA).

As the South Seas House project was sufficiently funded, the \$90,000.00 in Quimby funds was not used for the building refurbishment. Therefore, it is recommended that the Board authorize the return of funds in the amount of \$90,000.00 from the South Seas House sub-account (460K-SS) to the Queen Anne Recreation Center sub-account (460K-QA). It is also recommended that the Board approve the appropriation of \$40,000.00 from the Queen Anne Recreation Center sub-account (460K-QA) for the fencing improvements around the baseball field and tennis courts at the Queen Anne Recreation Center. These Quimby/Park Fees were collected within one mile of the Queen Anne Recreation Center, which is the standard distance for the allocation of Quimby/Park Fees for a neighborhood park.

Council District 10 and Griffith/Metro Region staff support the recommendations as set forth in this Report.

Department Environmental staff has determined that the subject project will consist of field improvements, and therefore, is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article III, Section 1, Class 1(1), Class 2 (3) of the City CEQA Guidelines.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

Upon the transfer back from the South Seas House sub-account, there are sufficient funds in Quimby/Park Fees under the Queen Anne Recreation Center sub-account (460K-QA) to appropriate \$40,000.00 for this project. Therefore, there is no fiscal impact on the General Fund for Fiscal Year 2005-2006. Replacement of the old fencing and other related improvements would result to savings on repeated repairs and can help prevent claims against the City. Also, there are no maintenance costs for the new fencing.

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