

REPORT OF GENERAL MANAGER

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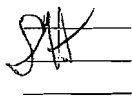
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SUBJECT: VANALDEN PARK – APPROPRIATION OF QUIMBY/ZONE CHANGE PARK FEES FOR INTERIOR AND EXTERIOR IMPROVEMENTS AT THE WILKINSON SENIOR CITIZEN CENTER

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General Manager

Approved _____ Disapproved _____ Withdrawn _____

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board approve the Chief Accounting Employee to appropriate \$148,000.00 currently in Quimby/Zone Change Park Fees at Vanalden Park sub-account (440K-VG) for interior and exterior improvements at the Wilkinson Senior Citizen Center.

SUMMARY:

The scope of the interior and exterior improvements project at Wilkinson Senior Citizen Center in Vanalden Park includes the replacement of the existing west and south doors with automatic slide doors for effortless access by seniors, the replacement of the down lights at the lobby with compact fluorescent lights for a better light output, the addition of wall convenience outlets in the lobby area, and the addition of the exterior pathway lighting to provide pathway lighting from the north lobby entrance to the parking lot. It is estimated that these improvements will cost approximately \$147,805.00.

Currently, there is \$148,000.00 in Quimby/Zone Change Park Fees available in Vanalden Park sub-account (440K- VG) to fund these needed indoor and exterior improvements at the Wilkinson Senior Citizen Center. These Quimby/Zone Change Park Fees were collected within one mile of Vanalden Park, which is the standard distance for the allocation of Quimby/Zone Change Park Fees for neighborhood parks.

Council District 12 and Valley Region staff support the recommendations as set forth in this Report.

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Staff has determined that the subject project will consist of interior and exterior alterations to remodel the senior citizen center. Therefore, the project is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article III, Section 1, Class 1(1) of the City CEQA Guidelines. A Notice of Exemption was filed with the Los Angeles City Clerk and the Los Angeles County Clerk on October 10, 2003.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

Upon Board approval of the appropriation of Quimby/Zone Change Park Fees in the amount of \$148,000.00, there will be sufficient funds to complete this project. There are no immediate maintenance costs for these amenities. Replacement of the existing doors and down lights and addition of exterior pathway lighting will benefit the senior citizens significantly and can help prevent claims against the City.

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