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BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

SUBJECT: SPRING STREET PARK – PHASE II (PRJ20387) PROJECT - ALLOCATION OF QUIMBY FEES

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RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the Board:

- 1. Authorize the reallocation of \$111,923.24 in Quimby Fees, currently allocated to the Spring Street Park Park Acquisition (PRJ20120) project, to the Spring Street Park Park Development (PRJ20387) project;
- 2. Approve the allocation of \$111,923.24 in Quimby Fees, from Spring Street Park Account No. 89460K-SZ for the Spring Street Park Park Development (PRJ20387) project, as described in the Summary of this Report; and,
- 3. Authorize the Department's Chief Accounting Employee to make technical corrections as necessary to carry out the intent of this Board Report.

SUMMARY:

Spring Street Park is located at 418-438 Spring Street in the Historic Old Bank District of Downtown Los Angeles. This 0.81 acre site provides a children's play area, an open lawn area, and benches for the use and enjoyment of residents and visitors of the surrounding community. Due to the size of the park, and the amenities it provides, Spring Street Park meets the standard for a Neighborhood Park, as defined in the City's Public Recreation Plan.

The Board has approved the allocation of a total of \$3,162,763.25 in Quimby Fees for the Spring Street Park - Park Development (PRJ20387) project (Board Report Nos. 10-035, and 10-114). The scope of the approved project included walking paths, landscaping, irrigation, seating,

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permeable pavers, water fountain, art work, security fencing, security lighting, drinking fountain, and site utility connections.

Department staff has determined that the modification of the existing landscaping and paved areas and the installation of a decomposed granite open space area, fencing, landscaping, irrigation, and park amenities, is necessary and will be of benefit to park users and the surrounding community. Additional project funding will be necessary to complete the proposed scope elements.

The Board has approved the allocation of a total of \$5,220,000.00 in Quimby and Zone Change Fees for the Spring Street Park - Park Acquisition (PRJ20120) project (Board Report Nos. 09-068 and 09-161). The scope of the Spring Street Park - Park Acquisition (PRJ20120) project included the acquisition of the property at 418-438 Spring Street. This project is complete and there is a total of \$111,923.24 in unexpended Quimby funds that are available for reallocation to other projects.

Staff recommends that a total of \$111,923.24 in unexpended Quimby funds currently allocated to the Spring Street Park - Park Acquisition (PRJ20120) project be reallocated the Spring Street Park - Park Development (PRJ20387) project.

Upon approval of this report, the total Quimby Fees allocation for the Spring Street Park – Park Development (PRJ20387) project, including previously allocated Quimby Fees, would be \$3,274,686.49. These Fees were collected within one mile of Spring Street Park, which is the standard distance for the allocation of the Quimby Fees for neighborhood recreational facilities.

Staff has determined the project proposed in this Board Report is a continuation of an existing project approved on December 14, 2011 (Board Report No. 11-334) that is exempted from California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) [Class 1(3), Class 3(6, 9), Class 4(1, 3), and Class 11(6)]. 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 maintenance of the proposed park improvements can be performed by current staff with no overall impact to existing maintenance service.

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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.

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