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BOARD REPORT

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AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

NO. 18-108

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**BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS**

SUBJECT: BRANFORD RECREATION CENTER – PLAY AREA REPLACEMENT (PRJ21078) PROJECT – ALLOCATION OF QUIMBY FEES; CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION FROM THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) PURSUANT TO ARTICLE III, SECTION 1, CLASS 1(11) [DEMOLITION OF EXISTING STRUCTURES], CLASS 4(3) [LANDSCAPING AND IRRIGATION] AND CLASS 11(3, 6) [CONSTRUCTION AND PLACEMENT OF MINOR STRUCTURES ACCESSORY TO EXISTING FACILITIES], OF THE CITY CEQA GUIDELINES

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H. Fujita \_\_\_\_\_ N. Williams \_\_\_\_\_



General Manager

Approved X Disapproved \_\_\_\_\_ Withdrawn \_\_\_\_\_

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Approve the scope of work for the Branford Recreation Center – Play Area Replacement (PRJ21078) Project;
2. Authorize the Department of Recreation and Parks' (RAP) Chief Accounting Employee or designee to transfer Three Hundred Five Thousand One Hundred Sixty Nine Dollars (\$305,169.00) in Zone Change Fees from Zone Change Fee Account No. 89440K-00 to Branford Recreation Center Account No. 89460K- BR;
3. Authorize RAP's Chief Accounting Employee or designee to transfer Two Hundred Five Thousand Six Hundred Thirty Dollars (\$205,630.00) in Quimby Fees from Quimby Fee Account No. 89460K-00 to Branford Recreation Center Account No. 89460K-BR;
4. Approve the allocation of Five Hundred Ten Thousand Seven Hundred Ninety Nine Dollars (\$510,799.00) in Quimby and Zone Change Fees from Branford Recreation Center Account No. 89460K-BR for the Branford Recreation Center – Play Area Replacement (PRJ21078) Project;
5. Find that the proposed Branford Recreation Center – Play Area Replacement (PRJ21078) Project is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), and direct staff to file a Notice-of-Exemption;

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6. Authorize the RAP's Chief Accounting Employee or designee to prepare a check to the Los Angeles County Clerk in the amount of Seventy-Five Dollars (\$75.00) for the purpose of filing a Notice of Exemption; and,
7. Authorize RAP's Chief Accounting Employee or designee to make technical corrections as necessary to carry out the intent of this Report.

### SUMMARY

Branford Recreation Center is located at 13310 Branford Street in the Arleta community of the City. This 13.38 acre facility provides multipurpose fields, basketball and tennis courts, a play area, a child care center, and a recreation center for the use of the surrounding community. An estimated 6,056 City residents live within a one-half (½) mile walking distance of Branford Recreation Center. Due to the facilities, features, programs, and services it provides, Branford Recreation Center meets the standard for a Community Park, as defined in the City's Public Recreation Plan.

### PROJECT SCOPE

The scope of work for the Branford Recreation Center – Play Area Replacement (PRJ21078) Project includes the removal of the existing children's play area and the construction of a new children's play area in the same location, and associated turf, landscaping, and irrigation improvements.

### PROJECT FUNDING

Upon approval of this Report, Three Hundred Five Thousand One Hundred Sixty Nine Dollars (\$305,169.00) in Zone Change Fees can be transferred from Zone Change Fee Account No. 89440K-00 to Branford Recreation Center Account No. 89460K-BR. Additionally, Two Hundred Five Thousand Six Hundred Thirty Dollars (\$205,630.00) in Quimby Fees can be transferred from Quimby Fee Account No. 89460K-00 to Branford Recreation Center Account No. 89460K-BR. A total of Five Hundred Ten Thousand Seven Hundred Ninety Nine Dollars (\$510,799.00) in Quimby and Zone Change Fees would be available in the Branford Recreation Center Account No. 89460K-BR for allocation to the Branford Recreation Center – Play Area Replacement (PRJ21078) Project.

The total funding available for the Branford Recreation Center – Play Area Replacement (PRJ21078) Project would be Five Hundred Ten Thousand, Seven Hundred Ninety Nine Dollars (\$510,799.00).

The Quimby Fees were collected within five (5) miles of Branford Recreation Center, which is the standard distance for the allocation of the Quimby Fees to community recreational facilities pursuant to Los Angeles Municipal Code Section 12.33 E.3.

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FUNDING SOURCE MATRIX

<b>Source</b>	<b>Fund/Dept/Acct</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Quimby and Zone Change Fees	302/89/89460K-BR	\$510,799.00	100%
<b>Total</b>		\$510,799.00	100%

PROJECT CONSTRUCTION

RAP staff has determined that sufficient funding has been identified for the Branford Recreation Center – Play Area Replacement (PRJ21078) Project.

The Branford Recreation Center – Play Area Replacement (PRJ21078) Project is currently anticipated to begin in July 2018.

TREES AND SHADE

The approval of this Project will have no impact on existing trees or shade at Branford Recreation Center. The Branford Recreation Center – Play Area Replacement (PRJ21078) Project will provide additional shade at the park as the new children’s play area will include integrated shade toppers.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT

The proposed Project will consist of demolition of existing structures; of minor alterations to land including new landscaping and irrigation improvements, and of modifications to existing park facilities involving placement of new children’s play, freestanding shade structure, and fencing. Therefore, Staff recommends that the Board of Recreation and Park Commissioners’ (Board) determine that it is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article III, Section 1, Class 1(11), Class 4(3) and Class 11(3, 6) of the City CEQA Guidelines.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

The approval of this allocation of Quimby and Zone Change Fees will no fiscal impact on RAP’s General Fund.

The estimated costs for the design, development, and construction of the proposed park improvements are anticipated to be funded by Zone Change and irrigation improvements, Quimby Fees or funding sources other than the RAP’s General Fund.

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