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BOARD OF RECREATION
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BOARD REPORT

NO. 20-189

DATE September 17, 2020

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BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

SUBJECT: SYLMAR PARK – ROOF RENOVATION (PRJ21426) PROJECT – ALLOCATION AND REALLOCATION OF QUIMBY FEES – CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION FROM THE PROVISIONS OF THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) PURSUANT TO ARTICLE III, SECTION 1, CLASS 1(1) [EXTERIOR ALTERATIONS INVOLVING REMODELING OR MINOR CONSTRUCTION WHERE THERE BE NEGLIGIBLE OR NO EXPANSION OF USE] OF CITY CEQA GUIDELINES AND ARTICLE 19, SECTION 15301(a) OF CALIFORNIA CEQA GUIDELINES

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RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Approve the scope of work for the Sylmar Park – Roof Renovation (PRJ21426) Project (Project), as described in the Summary of the Report;
2. Approve the reallocation of One Hundred Ninety-Four Thousand Nine Hundred Seventy Five Dollars (\$194,975.00) in Quimby Fees currently allocated to the Sylmar Park – Splash Pad (PRJ1523B) Project to the Sylmar Park – Roof Renovation (PRJ21426) Project;
3. Approve the allocation of Seven Thousand, Two Hundred Fifty-One Dollars and Forty-Five Cents (\$7,251.45) in Quimby Fees from the Sylmar Park Account No. 89460K-SY to the Sylmar Park – Roof Renovation (PRJ21426) Project;
4. Determine that the proposed Project is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article III, Section 1, Class 1 [Exterior alterations involving remodeling or minor construction where there be negligible or no expansion of use] of City CEQA Guidelines as well as to Article 19, Section 15301(a) of California CEQA Guidelines;
5. Authorize the Department of Recreation and Parks' (RAP) Chief Accounting Employee to prepare a check to the Los Angeles County Clerk in the amount of \$75.00 for the purpose of filing a Notice of Exemption (NOE); and,

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6. Authorize RAP staff to make technical corrections as necessary to carry out the intent of this Report.

SUMMARY

Sylmar Park is located at 13109 Borden Avenue in the Sylmar community of the City. This 19.78-acre facility provides multipurpose fields, tennis courts, a swimming pool, a play area, and recreation centers for the surrounding community. Approximately 6,307 City residents live within a one-half mile walking distance of Sylmar Park. Due to the size of the park, and the facilities and features and programs it provides, Sylmar Park meets the standard for a Community Park.

PROJECT SCOPE

The proposed Project includes improvements to the roof of the recreation center building.

PROJECT FUNDING

Upon approval of this Report, One Hundred Ninety Four Thousand, Nine Hundred Seventy-Five Dollars (\$194,975.00) in Quimby Fees currently allocated to the Sylmar Park – Splash Pad (PRJ1523B) Project can be reallocated to the proposed Project.

Upon approval of this Report, Seven Thousand, Two Hundred Fifty-One Dollars and Forty-Five Cents (\$7,251.45) can be allocated from the Sylmar Park Account No. 89460K-SY to the proposed Project.

The total amount of funding available for this Project is Two Hundred Two Thousand, Two Hundred Twenty-Six Dollars and Forty-Five Cents (\$202,226.45).

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

FUNDING SOURCE MATRIX

Source	Fund/Dept/Acct	Amount	Percentage
Quimby Fees	302/89/89460K-SY	\$202,226.45	100%
Total		\$202,226.45	100%

PROJECT CONSTRUCTION

RAP Staff has determined that sufficient funding has been identified and construction of the proposed Project is anticipated to begin in September 2020.

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TREES AND SHADE

This proposed Project will have no impact on the existing trees and shade at Sylmar Park.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

The proposed Project consists of exterior alterations involving remodeling or minor construction where there be negligible or no expansion of use. As such staff recommends that the Board of Recreation and Park Commissioners determines that it is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article III, Section 1, Class 1(1), of City CEQA Guidelines as well as to Article 19, Section 15301(a) of California CEQA Guidelines. RAP staff will file a Notice of Exemption with the Los Angeles County Clerk upon the Board's approval.

FISCAL IMPACT

The approval of this allocation of Quimby Fees will have 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 Quimby Fees or funding sources other than the RAP's General Fund. The maintenance of the proposed park improvements can be performed by current staff with minimal impact to existing maintenance service at this facility.

STRATEGIC PLAN INITIATIVES AND GOALS

Approval of this Board Report advances RAP's Strategic Plan by supporting:

Goal No. 1: Provide Safe and Accessible Parks

Outcome No. 2: All parks are safe and welcoming

Result: Improvements to the roof will increase safety and enhance the park users' experience.

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