REPORT OF GENERAL MANAGER

DATE: December 13, 2006

BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

SUBJECT: TRANSFER OF FUNDS BETWEEN ACCOUNTS WITHIN THE RECREATION AND PARKS FUND 302 FOR THE AQUATICS SECTION

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board authorize the transfer of appropriations between accounts within Recreation and Parks Fund 302, Department 88 for the Aquatic Section, for the purchase of a personal watercraft and trailer as follows:

From:
Account 6010, Office and Administrative Expense $11,000
Activity Code 4470

To:
Account 7350, Other Operating Equipment $11,000
Activity Code 4470

SUMMARY:

The Aquatics Section provides lifesaving staff for Cabrillo Beach, where shallow water and rocks make rescue attempts difficult with a large rescue boat. The purchase of a personal watercraft (jet ski) will provide the staff with the necessary means to quickly make complicated rescues in areas where maneuverability is vital to reach a victim quickly and safely. The visibility of the Department’s jet ski patrolling on the water will improve overall patron safety. In case of a rescue, anglers, windsurfers, and other individuals who utilize the difficult to reach areas of Cabrillo Beach may be reached safely and promptly with this equipment.
A fund transfer of $11,000 for the Aquatic Section will provide for the purchase of a jet ski and trailer for use at Cabrillo Beach. The Department is currently contacting the Harbor Department for a possible cost reimbursement for this equipment. Aquatic Division's Account No. 6010 is used to purchase office supplies, radios, first aid supplies, computers, software and communication tools, membership dues, and some office furnishings for the facilities for various Citywide aquatic needs. Due to the immediate need for this equipment for patron safety, other such purchases will be adjusted in order to accommodate the purchase of this lifesaving equipment.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

The transfer of funds will have a zero net impact to the Department's General Fund and will allow for this necessary purchase to provide safety services at Cabrillo Beach. Staff will also pursue possible reimbursement of the $11,000 from the Harbor Department.

This report prepared by Debby Rolland, West Region Superintendent.