REPORT OF GENERAL MANAGER

DATE July 12, 2006

BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

SUBJECT: CHASE PARK – ALLOCATION OF QUIMBY AND ZONE CHANGE/PARK FEES FOR WALKWAY IMPROVEMENTS

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board:

1. Authorize the allocation of $98,108 in Quimby Fees at the Chase Street Park Account 460K-CH for the walkway replacement project at the facility; and,

2. Authorize the allocation of $21,892 in Zone Change/Park Fees at the Chase Street Park Account 440K-CH for the walkway replacement project.

SUMMARY:

The concrete walkways at Chase Park are damaged and in need of replacement. The project scope will include the total removal and replacement of the existing concrete walkways, which wind throughout the park. The existing concrete walkways were installed by the developer that built the park. The walkways are now failing and cracking beyond repair. In their present condition, the damaged walkways are difficult to use and could present a safety hazard to park patrons. It is estimated that the replacement of the walkways will cost approximately $120,000.

Currently, there is $98,108 available in Quimby Fees at the Chase Street Park Account 460K-CH and $21,892 available in Zone Change/Park Fees available at the Chase Street Park Account 440K-CH to fund the replacement of the concrete walkways. These Fees were collected within one mile of Chase Park, which is the standard distance for the allocation of Quimby and Zone Change/Park Fees for neighborhood parks.
Valley Region staff will be responsible for completing the project using a vendor under contract with the City.

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

Staff has determined that the subject project is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article III, Section 1, Class 1(3) of the City CEQA Guidelines.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

Upon Board approval of the appropriation of Quimby and Zone Change/Park Fees in the amount of $120,000, there will be sufficient funds to complete this project. There are no immediate maintenance costs for this improvement. Replacement of the old walkways would result in savings on repeated repairs and help prevent claims against the City.

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