REPORT OF GENERAL MANAGER  

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BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

SUBJECT: STUDIO CITY RECREATION CENTER - ALLOCATION OF SUBDIVISION/QUIMBY FEES FOR OUTDOOR PARK IMPROVEMENTS

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RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board approve the allocation of $32,500 in Subdivision/Quimby Fees from the Studio City Recreation Center Account 460K-ST for outdoor park improvements at the Studio City Recreation Center.

SUMMARY:

The existing dirt walkways and open park area adjacent to the tennis courts and baseball fields are uneven and become muddy and difficult to use during the rains. Department staff has determined that the outdoor park improvements, which include paving the walkways and the small open park area, are needed to alleviate this situation. It is estimated that these outdoor park improvements will cost approximately $32,500.

Currently, $44,213.90 from Subdivision/Quimby Fees is available in the Studio City Recreation Center Account 460K-ST. Upon the approval of this report, $32,500 of the Subdivision/Quimby Fees can be allocated from this account for the outdoor park improvements project at Studio City Recreation Center. The remaining funds will be used for future projects at the facility. These Subdivision/Quimby Fees were collected within two miles of the Studio City Recreation Center, which is the standard distance for the allocation of Subdivision/Quimby Fees for community parks.

Valley Region staff will be responsible for completing the project using in-house labor and vendors under contract with the City.
Council District Two and Valley Region staff support the recommendations as set forth in this report.

The proposed park improvements consist of minor facility alterations involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond that previously existing and the placement of minor accessory structures, and, therefore, are determined to be exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article III, Section 1(a), Class 1 (1); and Section 1(k), Class 11 (3) of the City CEQA Guidelines.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

Upon Board approval of the allocation of a total of $32,500 in Subdivision/Quimby Fees, sufficient funds will be available to complete this project. No immediate maintenance costs exist for these outdoor park improvements. The improvements will also help reduce the number of claims against the City.

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