REPORT OF GENERAL MANAGER

DATE February 18, 2009

BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

SUBJECT: RESEDA PARK – TRANSFER AND ALLOCATION OF QUIMBY AND ZONE CHANGE FEES FOR POOL REPLACEMENT

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the Board:

1. Authorize the Department’s Chief Accounting Employee to transfer $114,976 in Subdivision/Quimby Fees, which were collected in Fiscal Year 2004-2005, from the Subdivision/Quimby Fees Account No. 460K-00 to the Reseda Park Account No. 460K-RE;

2. Authorize the Department’s Chief Accounting Employee to transfer $643,147 in Subdivision/Quimby Fees, which were collected in Fiscal Year 2005-2006, from the Subdivision/Quimby Fees Account No. 460K-00 to the Reseda Park Account No. 460K-RE;

3. Authorize the Department’s Chief Accounting Employee to transfer $26,209 in Zone Change/Park Fees, which were collected in Fiscal Year 2005-2006, from the Zone Change/Park Fees Account No. 440K-00 to the Reseda Park Account No. 440K-RE;

4. Authorize the Department’s Chief Accounting Employee to transfer $257,749 in Subdivision/Quimby Fees, which were collected in Fiscal Year 2006-2007, from the Subdivision/Quimby Fees Account No. 460K-00 to the Reseda Park Account No. 460K-RE;

5. Authorize the Department’s Chief Accounting Employee to transfer $135,414 in Subdivision/Quimby Fees, which were collected in Fiscal Year 2007-2008, from the
Subdivision/Quimby Fees Account No. 460K-00 to the Reseda Park Account No. 460K-RE;

6. Approve the allocation of $28,748.60 in Zone Change/Park Fees from the Reseda Park Account 440K-RE for the Pool Replacement Project, as described in the Summary of this report; and,

7. Approve the allocation of $1,165,226.12 in Subdivision/Quimby Fees from the Reseda Park Account 460K-RE for the Pool Replacement Project, as described in the Summary of this report.

SUMMARY:

Reseda Park is located at 18411 Victory Boulevard in the Reseda area of the City. The 29.68-acre park features basketball and tennis courts, an outdoor swimming pool, fitness and youth programs, and a small lake. Due to the facilities, features, programs, and services it provides, Reseda Park meets the standard for a Community Park, as defined in the City’s Public Recreation Plan.

Department staff has determined that the age and condition of the pool at Reseda Park necessitates replacement of the pool tank. The pool closed at the start of the 2008 summer swim season due to its inability to hold water which was likely caused by deteriorated water circulation piping. Staff has determined that it is infeasible to renovate the tank and piping due to the age of the facility and the many current non-complying building and health code issues. The estimated cost for the replacement of the pool is in the range of $3,000,000 to $3,500,000. This allocation of funds will be set aside for the sole purpose of funding the pool replacement and associated amenities. The existing bathhouse at Reseda Park was recently renovated and is not in need of replacement at this time.

Currently, there are $13,940.12 in Subdivision/Quimby Fees in the Reseda Park Account No. 460K-RE and $2,539.60 in Zone Change/Park Fees available in the Reseda Park Account No. 440K-RE. Upon approval of this report, Subdivision/Quimby Fees and Zone Change/Park Fees listed below can be transferred to Reseda Park Account No. 460K-RE for the pool replacement project at Reseda Park:

- $114,976 in Subdivision/Quimby Fees, which were collected in Fiscal Year 2004-2005, from the Subdivision/Quimby Fees Account No. 460K-00;
- $643,147 in Subdivision/Quimby Fees, which were collected in Fiscal Year 2005-2006, from the Subdivision/Quimby Fees Account No. 460K-00;
- $26,209 in Zone Change/Park Fees, which were collected in Fiscal Year 2005-2006, from the Zone Change/Park Fees Account No. 440K-00;
• $257,749 in Subdivision/Quimby Fees, which were collected in Fiscal Year 2006-2007, from the Subdivision/Quimby Fees Account No. 460K-00;
• $135,414 in Subdivision/Quimby Fees, which were collected in Fiscal Year 2007-2008, from the Subdivision/Quimby Fees Account No. 460K-00.

The total Subdivision/Quimby and Zone Change/Park Fees allocation for the pool replacement project at Reseda Park is $1,193,974.72. These Fees were collected within two miles of Reseda Park, which is the standard distance for the allocation of the Subdivision/Quimby Fees for community recreational facilities.

This allocation does not meet all estimated costs for this project. This is a large and long-term project which will require a great deal of planning to deliver. This allocation of funds represents a portion of the overall funding required and will be set aside for the sole purpose of funding a portion of the replacement cost of the pool.

Staff has determined that the subject project will consist of exterior modifications to existing park facilities involving negligible or no expansion of use. Therefore, the project would most likely be exempt from the provisions of the CEQA pursuant to Article III, Section 1, Class 1(1) of the City CEQA Guidelines. However, allocation of the Quimby funds for future project implementation is only a government funding mechanism and does not constitute a project under CEQA at this time. Once full funding has been identified for final project approval and implementation, the appropriate CEQA documentation will identified and filed.

Council District Three and the Valley Region Superintendent support the recommendations in this Report.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

The approval of this allocation of Subdivisions/Quimby Fees should not have any fiscal impact on the Department, as the costs of this future project are anticipated to be funded by the collected Quimby/Park Fees or funding sources other than the Department’s General fund to be identified at various future times.

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