RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the Board:

1. Authorize the Department’s Chief Accounting Employee to establish a new Subdivision/Quimby Fees Account No. 460K-MX and a new Zone Change/Park Fees Account No. 440K-MX, with Madison Park as the Account Name;

2. Authorize the Department’s Chief Accounting Employee to transfer $21,006.04 in Subdivision/Quimby Fees, which were collected in Fiscal Year 2006-2007, from the Subdivision/Quimby Fees Account No. 460K-00 to the Madison Park Account No. 460K-MX;

3. Authorize the Department’s Chief Accounting Employee to transfer $13,993.96 in Subdivision/Quimby Fees, which were collected in Fiscal Year 2007-2008, from the Subdivision/Quimby Fees Account No. 460K-00 to the Madison Park Account No. 460K-MX; and,

4. Approve the allocation of $35,000 in Subdivision/Quimby Fees from Madison Park Account No. 460K-MX for outdoor park improvements at Madison Park as described in the Summary.
SUMMARY:

Madison Park is located at 464 North Madison Avenue just north of the 101 freeway between Virgil Avenue and Vermont Avenue. This is a neighborhood park equipped with picnic benches and a children’s play area. Madison Park meets the standard for a Neighborhood Park, as defined in the City’s Public Recreation Plan.

Department staff has determined that the current existing picnic area is lacking in any type of shade and is recommending the installation of shade structures over the existing picnic area. The estimated cost to purchase and install shade structures in this area are estimated at $35,000.

Upon approval of this report, the Subdivision/Quimby Fees listed below can be transferred to Madison Park Account No. 460K-MX for this outdoor park improvement project at Madison Park:

- $21,006.04 in Subdivision/Quimby Fees, which were collected in Fiscal Year 2006-2007, from the Subdivision/Quimby Fees Account No. 460K-00;
- $13,993.96 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 Fees allocation for the Outdoor Park Improvements project is $35,000. These Fees were collected within one mile of Madison Park, which is the standard distance for the allocation of the Subdivision/Quimby Fees for a neighborhood park.

Staff has determined that the subject project will consist of the construction of limited number new small structures, including the installation of new equipment for public convenience and environmental control. Therefore, the project is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article III, Section 1, Class 3(4) of the City CEQA Guidelines.

The Metro Region Superintendent supports the recommendations in this Report.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

Adequate funds for the proposed project are available; therefore, no fiscal impact to the Department’s General fund is anticipated. An assessment of the future operation and maintenance costs has yet to be determined.

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