REPORT OF GENERAL MANAGER

DATE: January 5, 2011

BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

SUBJECT: VALLEY PLAZA PARK – SPORTS FIELD IMPROVEMENTS (PRJ20514) – ALLOCATION OF ZONE CHANGE FEES

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the Board:

1. Authorize the Department’s Chief Accounting Employee to transfer $48,078 in Zone Change Fees from the Zone Change Fees Account No. 440K-00 to the Valley Plaza Park Account No. 440K-VA; and,

2. Approve the allocation of $48,078 in Zone Change Fees from Valley Plaza Park Account No. 440K-VA for the Valley Plaza Park – Sports Field Improvements project, as described in the Summary of this report.

SUMMARY:

Valley Plaza Park is located at 12240 Archwood Street in the North Hollywood area of the City. This 77.64 acre park provides multipurpose fields, basketball and tennis courts, children’s play areas, a recreation center, and a swimming pool for the use of the local community. Due to the facilities, features, programs, and services it provides, Valley Plaza Park meets the standard for a Community Park, as defined in the City’s Public Recreation Plan.
Department staff has determined that improvements to the existing baseball fields, including refurbishment of the existing turf, irrigation, fencing, and installation of related site amenities, are necessary to meet the needs of the surrounding community.

Upon approval of this report, $48,078 in Zone Change Fees from the Zone Change Fees Account No. 440K-00 can be transferred to the Valley Plaza Park Account No. 440K-VA for the Valley Plaza Park – Sports Field Improvements project.

The total Zone Change Fees allocation for the Valley Plaza Park – Sports Field Improvements project is $48,078. These Fees were collected within two miles of Valley Plaza Park, which is the standard distance for the allocation of the Quimby Fees for community recreational facilities. It is anticipated that the funds being allocated to this facility are sufficient to meet the scope of this project.

Staff has determined that the subject project will consist of modifications to existing park facilities and placement of new accessory structures. Therefore, the project is exempt from the provisions of the CEQA pursuant to Article III, Section 1, Class 1(1, 3) and Class 11(3) of the City CEQA Guidelines.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

The approval of this allocation of Quimby Fees should not have any fiscal impact on the Department’s General Fund, as the cost of this project is anticipated to be funded by Quimby Fees or funding sources other than the Department’s General Fund.

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