REPORT OF GENERAL MANAGER

DATE February 20, 2013

BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

SUBJECT: RUNYON CANYON PARK – ROADWAY RENOVATION (PRJ20490)
PROJECT – ALLOCATION OF QUIMBY FEES

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RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the Board:

1. Authorize the reallocation of $250,000.00 in Quimby Fees, previously allocated for the Runyon Canyon Park - Parking Area (PRJ1358A) project, approved on August 11, 2010, per Board Report No. 10-215, to the Runyon Canyon Park - Roadway Renovation (PRJ20490) project;

2. Authorize the Department’s Chief Accounting Employee to transfer $14,508.00 in Quimby Fees from the Quimby Fees Account No. 89460K-00 to the Runyon Canyon Park Account No. 89460K-RN; and,

3. Approve the allocation of $264,508.00 in Quimby Fees from Runyon Canyon Park Account No. 89460K-RN for the Runyon Canyon Park - Roadway Renovation (PRJ20490) project, as described in the Summary of this Report.

SUMMARY:

Runyon Canyon Park is located at 2000 North Fuller Avenue in the Hollywood community of the City. This 136.76 acre facility provides open space, hiking trails, and an off-leash dog exercise area for the use of the local community. Due to the facilities, features, programs, and services it provides, Runyon Canyon Park meets the standard for a Community Park, as defined in the City’s Public Recreation Plan.
The Department of Recreation and Parks staff has determined that renovation and improvement of the existing paved roadway, and associated pedestrian accessibility improvements, are necessary and will be of benefit to the surrounding community.

On September 20, 2006 and August 11, 2010, the Board of Recreation and Park Commissioners (Board) approved the allocation of a total of $450,000.00 in Quimby Fees from Runyon Canyon Park Account No. 89460K-RN for the Runyon Canyon Park - Parking Area (PRJ1358A) project (Board Report Nos. 06-276 and 10-215). Staff has identified the Runyon Canyon Park - Roadway Renovation (PRJ20490) project as a high priority project for the community and is recommending the reallocation of a portion of the Quimby Fees allocated to the Runyon Canyon Park - Parking Area (PRJ1358A) project to provide funding for the Runyon Canyon Park - Roadway Renovation (PRJ20490) project.

Upon approval of this report, $250,000.00 in Quimby Fees, previously allocated for the Runyon Canyon Park - Parking Area (PRJ1358A) project, will be reallocated to the Runyon Canyon Park - Roadway Renovation (PRJ20490) project and $14,508.00 in Quimby Fees will be transferred from the Quimby Fees Account No. 89460K-00 to the Runyon Canyon Park Account No. 89460K-RN and allocated to the Runyon Canyon Park - Roadway Renovation (PRJ20490) project.

The total Quimby Fees allocation for the Runyon Canyon Park - Roadway Renovation (PRJ20490) project is $264,508.00. These Fees were collected within two miles of Runyon Canyon Park, which is the City’s standard distance requirement for the allocation of the Quimby Fees for community recreational facilities. It is anticipated that the funds being allocated to this project are sufficient to meet the project scope.

Department of Recreation and Parks Staff has determined that the subject project will consist of modifications to existing park roads and trails involving negligible or no expansion of use. Therefore, the project is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article III, Section 1, Class 1(1,3) of the City CEQA Guidelines.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

The approval of this allocation of Quimby Fees will have no fiscal impact on the Department as the implementation of the proposed park capital improvements will not increase the level of daily maintenance required at this facility.

The estimated costs for the design, development, and construction of the proposed park improvements are anticipated to be funded by Quimby Fees or funding sources other than the Department’s General Fund.
The maintenance of the proposed park improvements will be performed by current staff with no overall impact to existing maintenance services.

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