REPORT OF GENERAL MANAGER

DATE June 27, 2013

BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

SUBJECT: LANARK PARK – AGREEMENT WITH THE TONY HAWK FOUNDATION FOR THE DONATION OF THE DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION DOCUMENTS FOR A NEW SKATE PARK PLAZA; CALL FOR BIDS FROM RECREATION AND PARKS PREQUALIFIED SPECIALITY CONCRETE SKATE PARK CONTRACTORS; ALLOCATION OF QUIMBY AND ZONE CHANGE FEES

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Approved Disapproved Withdrawn

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the Board:

1. Accept a gift from the Tony Hawk Foundation consisting of design and construction documents prepared by New Line Skateparks for a street-style skate plaza valued at $27,500.00 as described in the Summary below, and that appropriate recognition be provided to the Tony Hawk Foundation and to New Line Skateparks;

2. Approve a proposed Gift Agreement (Agreement) with the Tony Hawk Foundation, a California non-profit organization, substantially in the form on file in the Board Office, for design and construction documents valued at $27,500.00, for a new skate plaza at Lanark Park (Skate Park Plaza), specifying the terms and conditions for the donation;

3. Direct the Board Secretary to transmit the proposed Agreement to the Mayor in accordance with Executive Directive No. 3, and concurrently to the City Attorney for review as to form;

4. Authorize the Board President and Secretary to execute the Agreement upon receipt of the necessary approvals;
5. Authorize the Department to solicit bids from the Department’s list of pre-qualified specialty concrete skate park contractors;

6. Authorize the Department’s Chief Accounting Employee to transfer $3,395.49 in Zone Change Fees from the Zone Change Fees Account No. 89440K-00 to the Lanark Park Account No. 89460K-LA;

7. Authorize the Department’s Chief Accounting Employee to transfer $394,066.00 in Quimby Fees from the Quimby Fees Account No. 89460K-00 to the Lanark Park Account No. 89460K-LA; and,

8. Approve the allocation of $397,461.49 in Quimby and Zone Change Fees, from Lanark Park Account No. 89460K-LA for the Skate Park Plaza project at Lanark Park, as described in the Summary of this report.

SUMMARY:

Lanark Park is located at 21816 Lanark Street in the Canoga Park area of the City. This 19.20 acre facility includes a recreation center, swimming pool, a synthetic soccer field, multipurpose fields, tennis courts, a children’s play area, and picnic areas. Due to the facilities, features, programs, and services it provides, Lanark Park meets the standard for a Community Park, as defined in the City’s Public Recreation Plan.

Department staff has determined that the construction of a new skate plaza, as well as associated landscaping and site amenities, is necessary for the park to continue to meet the needs of the surrounding community.

The proposed skate plaza is to be located near the new synthetic soccer field and is immediately adjacent to the west end of the recreation center. The design for the skate plaza was born out of workshops held with the community on two (2) occasions conducted by Department staff and the Tony Hawk Foundation (Foundation). Each meeting was attended by approximately thirty (30) local skaters. The scope of work is proposed to include the following:

- Clearing and grubbing of the proposed location for the skate plaza.
- Rough grading
- Construction of a poured in place concrete street style of skate plaza
- Installation of drainage system
- Modify existing irrigation system to accommodate the new skate plaza.
- Reseed adjacent areas that are impacted by the construction.
The value of the Skate Park Plaza improvements is approximately Five Hundred Thousand Dollars and No Cents ($500,000.00).

**Tony Hawk Foundation Donation**
Foundation has offered to donate to the Department, a gift consisting of design and construction documents prepared by New Line Skateparks (Gift) for the new Skate Plaza at Lanark Park. The value of the Foundation’s proposed Gift is estimated at Twenty-Seven Thousand Five Hundred Dollars and No Cents ($27,500.00).

The Foundation seeks to foster lasting improvements in society with an emphasis on supporting and empowering youth. Through special events, grants, and technical assistance, the foundation supports recreational programs with a focus on the creation of public skateboard parks in low-income communities.

RAP will use the proposed Gift of design and construction documents for the design and construction of a street-style Skate Plaza at the park and will competitively bid the project for construction amongst the Department’s pre-qualified list of specialty concrete skate park contractors.

**Quimby and Zone Change Fee Allocation**
Upon approval of this report, the Quimby and Zone Change Fees listed below can be transferred to Lanark Park Account No. 89460K-LA and allocated for the Skate Park Plaza project at Lanark Park:

- $3,395.49 in Zone Change Fees from the Zone Change Fees Account No. 89440K-00
- $394,066.00 in Quimby Fees from the Quimby Fees Account No. 89460K-00

The total Quimby and Zone Change Fees allocation for the Skate Park project is $397,461.49. These Fees were collected within two (2) miles of Lanark Park which is the standard distance for the allocation of the Quimby Fees for community recreational facilities.

**AB1290 Funding**
The balance of the funding needed to construct the project will be provided from the AB1290 City Fund.

On May 23, 2013 the City Council adopted the amended report of the Budget and Finance Council Committee for the budget for the City of Los Angeles for Fiscal Year 2013-14. One of the adopted amendments to the Budget and Finance Council Committee report relative to the Mayor’s Proposed Budget was a motion (Motion 17) to provide an additional $150,000.00 in funding for the new Skate Plaza at Lanark Park. Upon approval and adoption of the City budget, these funds will be transferred from the AB1290 City Fund (CD-3 Portion) to RAP and deposited in an account (TBD) in Fund 205 Department 88.
The Board’s approval of this Report and the proposed Agreement would authorize the Department to use the Gift for the construction of the Skate Plaza pursuant to the terms and conditions of the proposed Agreement; allocate available Quimby funds for the construction of the skate plaza, and to send out the approved construction documents to bid to our existing list of pre-approved concrete skate park contractors.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT

Staff has determined that the subject project will consist of minor alterations to land and the placement of accessory structures. Therefore, the project is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article III, Section 1, Class 4(3) and Class 11(3) of the City CEQA Guidelines. The proposed agreement for the donation of design and construction documents would not result in any additional environmental impacts that require additional CEQA documentation.

The superintendent of RAP’s Valley Region and the Office of Councilmember Dennis Zine (Council District 3) are aware of the proposed Agreement and concur with staff’s recommendations.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

The acceptance of the proposed Gift will have a minor fiscal impact to the Department’s General Fund. Because of the popularity of these types of amenities there will likely be an increase in the volume of trash generated. Maintenance staff will attempt to combat this by using solar powered trash containers that are designed to self compact and hold up to three (3) times the amount of a normal trash can. The Skate Park itself is constructed of concrete and generally requires little maintenance.

The approval of this allocation of Quimby Fees will have no fiscal impact on the Department, as the costs of this project are anticipated to be funded by Quimby Fees, the Gift, or funding sources other than the Department’s General fund.

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