REPORT OF GENERAL MANAGER

DATE December 10, 2014

BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

SUBJECT: JUNTOS PARK – SPLASH PAD REFURBISHMENT (PRJ20188) PROJECT - ALLOCATION OF QUIMBY FEES AND EXEMPTION FROM THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT

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Approved Disapproved Withdrawn

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the Board:

1. Approve the scope of the Juntos Park - Splash Pad Refurbishment (PRJ20188) project, as described in the Summary of this Report;

2. Authorize the Department’s Chief Accounting Employee to establish new Quimby Fees Account No. 89460K-JU with Juntos Park as the Account Name;

3. Authorize the Department’s Chief Accounting Employee to transfer $59,636.00 in Quimby Fees from the Quimby Fees Account No. 89460K-00 to the Juntos Park Account No. 89460K-JU;

4. Approve the allocation of $59,636.00 in Quimby Fees, from the Juntos Park Account No. 89460K-JU, for the Juntos Park - Splash Pad Refurbishment (PRJ20188) project, as described in the Summary of this Report;

5. Find that the actions taken by the Board herein are exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA); and,

6. Authorize the Department’s Chief Accounting Employee to make technical corrections as necessary to carry out the intent of this Board Report.
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SUMMARY:

Juntos Park is located at 3135 Drew Street, Los Angeles, California 90065 in the Glassell Park community of the City. This 1.64 acre property provides a splash pad, a children’s play area, and picnic tables, for the use of the surrounding community. Due to the facilities and features, Juntos Park meets the standards for a Neighborhood Park, as defined in the City’s Public Recreation Plan.

Department staff has determined that refurbishment of the existing splash pad at Juntos Park is necessary and will be of benefit to the surrounding community. The scope of the project includes the retrofitting of the existing children’s splash pad water playground with a water recirculation system so the splash pad water can be safely collected, treated and reused in compliance with the City’s water conservation ordinance, and the replacement of the existing rubberized surface of the splash pad with a concrete surface.

Currently there is $300,000 in Proposition K funding available for the project. However, additional funding will be necessary to complete the proposed project scope.

Upon approval of this Report, $59,636.00 in Quimby Fees can be transferred from the Quimby Fees Account No. 89460K-00 to the Juntos Park Account No. 89460K-JU and allocated to the Juntos Park - Splash Pad Refurbishment (PRJ20188) project.

The total Quimby Fees allocation for the Juntos Park - Splash Pad Refurbishment (PRJ20188) project is $59,636.00. These Fees were collected within one mile of Juntos Park, which is the standard distance for the allocation of the Quimby Fees for neighborhood recreational facilities.

Staff has determined that the subject project will consist of modifications to existing mechanical equipment required for public health and safety purposes. Therefore, the project is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article III, Section 1, Class 1(32), Class 3(4), and Class 11(6) 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 maintenance of the proposed park improvements can be performed by current staff with no overall impact to existing maintenance service.
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.

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