REPORT OF GENERAL MANAGER

DATE FEBRUARY 19, 2014

BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

SUBJECT: BALBOA SPORTS COMPLEX – BASKETBALL COURT RENOVATION (PRJ20795) PROJECT – ALLOCATION OF QUIMBY FEES AND EXEMPTION FROM THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the Board:

1. Authorize the Department’s Chief Accounting Employee to transfer $55,000.00 in Quimby Fees from the Quimby Fees Account No. 89460K-00 to the Balboa Sports Complex Account No. 89460K-SB;

2. Approve the allocation $55,000.00 in Quimby Fees from Balboa Sports Complex Account No. 89460K-SB for the Balboa Sports Complex - Basketball Court Renovation (PRJ20795) project, as described in the Summary of this Report; and,

3. Find that the actions taken by the Board herein are exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

SUMMARY:

Balboa Sports Center is located at 17015 Burbank Boulevard in the Encino area of the City. This 82.34 acre park, which is a part of the Sepulveda Basin Recreation Area, provides multipurpose fields, tennis courts, a children’s play area, and tennis courts, for the use of the surrounding community. Due to the size of the park, and the facilities, features, and programs it provides, Balboa Sports Center meets the standard for a Community Park, as defined in the City’s Public Recreation Plan.
Department staff has determined improvements to the outdoor basketball courts, including improvements to the existing outdoor lighting, are necessary and will be of benefit to the surrounding community. It is estimated that these improvements will cost approximately $55,000.00.

Upon approval of this report, $55,000.00 in Quimby Fees can be transferred from the Quimby Fees Account No. 89460K-00 to the Balboa Sports Complex Account No. 89460K-SB and allocated to the Balboa Sports Complex - Basketball Court Renovation (PRJ20795) project.

The total Quimby Fees allocation for the Balboa Sports Complex - Basketball Court Renovation (PRJ20795) project is $55,000.00. These Fees were collected within a two (2) miles of Balboa Sports Center, which is the standard distance for the allocation of Quimby Fees for Community Parks.

Staff has determined that the subject project will consist of modifications to existing park facilities involving negligible or no expansion of use and placement of new accessory structures. 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) and Class 11(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 can be performed by current staff with no overall impact to existing maintenance services.

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