REPORT OF GENERAL MANAGER

DATE October 15, 2014

BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

SUBJECT: NORTH HOLLYWOOD PARK – PLAY AREA RENOVATION (PRJ20818)
PROJECT - ALLOCATION OF QUIMBY FEES AND EXEMPTION FROM THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT

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V. Israel
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Approved

Disapproved

Withdrawn

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the Board:

1. Authorize the Department’s Chief Accounting Employee to transfer $656,311.00 in Quimby Fees from the Quimby Fees Account No. 89460K-00 to the North Hollywood Park Account No. 89460K-NO;

2. Approve the allocation of $656,311.00 in Quimby Fees, from the North Hollywood Park and Recreation Center Account No. 89460K-NO, for the North Hollywood Park - Play Area Renovation (PRJ20818) project, as described in the Summary of this Report;

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

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

SUMMARY:

North Hollywood Park is located at 5301 Tujunga Avenue in the North Hollywood area of the City. This 55.60 acre park provides a variety of services and programs to the community, including basketball, soccer, swimming, tennis, and youth, teen, and adult programs. Due to the size of the park and facilities, features, programs, and services it provides, North Hollywood Park meets the standard for a Community Park, as defined in the City’s Public Recreation Plan.
Department staff has determined that the renovation and replacement of the existing children’s play area is necessary and will be of benefit to park users. It is estimated that these improvements will cost approximately $656,311.00.

Department staff recommends that $656,311.00 in Quimby Fees from the Quimby Fees Account No. 89460K-00 be transferred to the North Hollywood Park and Recreation Center Account No. 89460K-NO, for and allocated to the North Hollywood Park - Play Area Renovation (PRJ20818) project.

Upon approval of this Report, the total Quimby Fees allocation for the Play Area Renovation project would be $656,311.00. These Fees were collected within two (2) miles of North Hollywood Park, which is the standard distance for the allocation of the Quimby Fees for community parks and recreational facilities.

Department 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 service.

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