REPORT OF GENERAL MANAGER

DATE August 12, 2015

BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

SUBJECT: WHITSETT FIELDS PARK – SYNTHETIC TURF IMPROVEMENTS (PRJ20757) (W.O. #E170150F) PROJECT – FINAL PLANS AND CALL FOR BIDS

Approved

Disapproved

Withdrawn

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the Board:

1. Approve the final plans and specifications, substantially in the form on file in the Board Office, for the Whitsett Fields Park - Synthetic Turf Improvements (PRJ20757) (W.O. #E170150F) project; and,

2. Approve the date for receipt of bids to be advertised as Tuesday, September 29, 2015 at 3:00 p.m. in the Board Office.

SUMMARY:

The Whitsett Fields Park Synthetic - Turf Improvements (PRJ20757) (W.O. #E170150F) project is located at 6900 Whitsett Avenue, North Hollywood, California 91605. A preliminary master plan to renovate and reconfigure the existing soccer fields at the Whitsett Fields Park was developed, which would result in a total of eight (8) fields at the park.

The project submitted for approval herein consists of renovating one (1) existing large (full-size) soccer field and two (2) existing small soccer fields into synthetic turf fields, installing empty conduits for future lighting, and expanding the existing parking lot at the Whitsett Fields Park. New bleachers, shade structures for the bleachers, fencing, landscaping, irrigation, and walkways servicing the renovated soccer fields are also part of the project scope. The remaining fields shown on the master plan for the park will be constructed separately through a separate bid process as soon as sufficient funding is identified.
On April 15, 2015, the Board of Recreation and Park Commissioners (Board) had approved final plans for the project. (Report No. 15-076) Subsequently, these plans were used to bid the project through the Department of Recreation and Parks (RAP) list of on-call park facility construction contracts.

The City Engineer’s Class A estimate for the project is $2,120,000.00. Two (2) bids were received for the project in the amounts of $3,184,430.07 and $4,300,000.00. With the lowest bid over $1,000,000 above the City Engineer’s estimate, the Department is recommending to re-bid the project through the open public bid process.

Due to the nature of public competitive bidding, Two (2) Deductive Bid Alternates are included. This will provide the Department with the flexibility to deduct portions of the scope of work to meet the approved funding and allow the successful award of the project for construction.

The Two (2) Deductive Bid Alternates are a lump sum bid price for each of the installation of the two (2) small synthetic soccer fields to be subtracted from the Base Bid of the project at the discretion of the Board at the time of award.

This project is a Proposition K – L.A. for Kids Program 8th Competitive Cycle funded project. Proposition K is funding the renovation of one full-size synthetic soccer field. The remainder of the project is funded by Quimby, Federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds and Proposition A. The Department of Public Works, Bureau of Engineering (BOE), Architectural Division, prepared the plans and specifications as well as obtained all the necessary permit approvals for the project.

Funding for this project is available from the following funds and accounts.

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This project was previously evaluated for environmental impacts in accordance with California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), and was determined to be categorically exempt from the provisions of CEQA pursuant to Article III, Section 1c(6) and Section 1k(3) of the City CEQA Guidelines. A Notice of Exemption (NOE) was filed with the Los Angeles City Clerk and the Los Angeles County Clerk on June 20, 2013. It was also determined that this project and the
environmental conditions of the site have not substantially changed since the previous evaluation. Therefore, no additional CEQA documentation is required.

The bid package has been approved by the City Attorney’s Office.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

The project will be funded by a combination of the aforementioned funding sources. There is no immediate fiscal impact to the Department’s General Fund. However, operations and maintenance costs, which are anticipated to be less for synthetic fields, will be reevaluated and included in future budget requests prior to the reopening of this portion of the park.

This report was prepared by Rebecca Abano, Project Manager, Recreation and Cultural Facilities Division, Department of Public Work, Bureau of Engineering (BOE). Reviewed by Neil Drucker, Program Manager, Recreational and Cultural Facilities Division, BOE; Deborah Weintraub, Chief Deputy City Engineer, BOE; and Cathie Santo Domingo, Superintendent, Planning, Construction and Maintenance Branch, Department of Recreation and Parks.