REPORT OF GENERAL MANAGER

DATE January 21, 2015

BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

SUBJECT: ANDRES AND MARIA CARDENAS RECREATION CENTER - LIGHTING REHABILITATION (PRJ20865) - ALLOCATION OF QUIMBY FEES AND EXEMPTION FROM THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT

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RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the Board:

1. Approve the scope of the Andres and Maria Cardenas Recreation Center - Lighting Rehabilitation (PRJ20865) project, as described in the Summary of this Report;

2. Authorize the Department’s Chief Accounting Employee to transfer $80,000.00 in Quimby Fees from the Quimby Fees Account No. 89460K-00 to the Andres and Maria Cardenas Recreation Center Account No. 89460K-BL;

3. Approve the allocation of $80,000.00 in Quimby Fees, from the Andres and Maria Cardenas Recreation Center Account No. 89460K-BL, Andres and Maria Cardenas Recreation Center - Lighting Rehabilitation (PRJ20865) project;

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

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

Andres and Maria Cardenas Recreation Center is located at 14740 West Blythe Street in the Panorama City area of the City. This 0.70 acre facility provides a community center, a children’s play area, and a picnic area for the use of the surrounding community. Due to the size of the park, and the facilities, features, and services it provides, Andres and Maria Cardenas Recreation Center meets the standard for a Neighborhood Park, as defined in the City’s Public Recreation Plan.

Department staff has determined that rehabilitation of existing outdoor park lighting at Andres and Maria Cardenas Recreation Center is necessary and will be of benefit to the surrounding community. The scope of the project includes replacement of existing lighting for the outdoor park areas with new LED fixtures and the installation of associated new light control systems, timers, and sensors. It is estimated that these improvements will cost approximately $80,000.00.

Upon approval of this report, $80,000.00 in Quimby Fees can be transferred from the Quimby Fees Account No. 89460K-00 to the Andres and Maria Cardenas Recreation Center Account No. 89460K-BL and allocated to the Lighting Rehabilitation project at Andres and Maria Cardenas Recreation Center (PRJ20865).

The total Quimby Fees allocation for the Lighting Rehabilitation project at Andres and Maria Cardenas Recreation Center is $80,000.00. These Fees were collected within one (1) mile of Andres and Maria Cardenas Recreation Center, 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 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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