REPORT OF GENERAL MANAGER

DATE November 18, 2015

BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

SUBJECT: CHEVY CHASE PARK – SECURITY CAMERA (PRJ20951) PROJECT – ALLOCATION OF QUIMBY FEES; EXEMPTION FROM THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT

Approved ________________  Disapproved ________________  Withdrawn ________________

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the Board:

1. Approve the scope of the Chevy Chase Park – Security Camera (PRJ20951) project, as described in the Summary of this Report;

2. Authorize the Department of Recreation and Parks’ (RAP) Chief Accounting Employee to transfer Ten Thousand, Six Hundred Seventy-One Dollars ($10,671.00) in Quimby Fees from the Quimby Fees Account No. 89460K-00 to the Chevy Chase Park Account No. 89460K-CF;

3. Approve the allocation of Ten Thousand, Six Hundred Seventy-One Dollars ($10,671.00) in Quimby Fees from Chevy Chase Park Account No. 89460K-CF for the Chevy Chase Park – Security Camera (PRJ20951) project, as described in the Summary of this Report;

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

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

Chevy Chase Park is located at 4165 Chevy Chase Drive in the Atwater Village area of the City. This 2.44 acre park includes a recreation center, two children’s play areas, basketball and handball courts, and picnic areas. Approximately 2,469 City residents live within one-half mile walking distance of Chevy Chase Park. Due to the facilities, features, programs, and services it provides, Chevy Chase Park meets the standard for a Neighborhood Park, as defined in the City’s Public Recreation Plan.

RAP staff has determined that installation of a new security camera system at Chevy Chase Park is necessary in order to adequately monitor the entire park, and will be of benefit to the surrounding community. RAP staff will utilize one of its “on-call” electrical contractors to install the cameras, which will be mounted on light poles located throughout the park.

Upon approval of this Report, the total allocation of Ten Thousand, Six Hundred Seventy-One Dollars ($10,671) in Quimby Fees can be transferred from the Quimby Fees Account No. 89460K-00 to the Chevy Chase Park Account No. 89460K-CF and allocated to the Chevy Chase Park – Security Camera (PRJ20951) project. These Fees were collected within one mile of Chevy Chase Park, which is the standard distance for the allocation of the Quimby Fees for neighborhood recreational facilities.

Council District 13 and Metro Region staff are supportive of the approval of the Chevy Chase Park – Security Camera (PRJ20951) project.

TREES AND SHADE:

The approval of this project will have no impact on existing trees or shade at Chevy Chase Park, and no new trees or new shade are proposed to be added to Chevy Chase Park as a part of this project.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

Staff has determined that the subject project will consist of installation of new equipment involving negligible or no expansion of use, which is required for safety, health, the public convenience, or environmental control. Therefore, the project is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article III, Section 1, Class 3 (4) of the City CEQA Guidelines.
FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

The approval of this allocation of Quimby Fees will have no fiscal impact to RAP.

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 RAP’s General Fund. The maintenance of the proposed park improvements can be performed by current staff with minimal impact to existing maintenance service at this facility.

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