BOARD REPORT

DATE August 10, 2016

BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

SUBJECT: VENICE BEACH – NEW SKATE PARK (PRJ1029C) PROJECT AND VENICE BEACH – PIER REFURBISHMENT (PRJ20587) PROJECT – ALLOCATION OF QUIMBY FEES

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Approved

Disapproved
Withdrawn

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Take the following actions regarding Venice Beach – New Skate Park (W.O. #E1601726) (PRJ1029C) Project;

   A. Rescind approval of Recommendation No. 21-B of Report No. 08-198, approved on July 9, 2008, which authorized the Department of Recreation and Parks’ (RAP) Chief Accounting Employee to transfer Four Hundred Eleven Thousand, Three Hundred Seventy-Nine Dollars ($411,379.00) in Quimby Fees, which were collected in Fiscal Year 2005-2006, from Quimby Account No. 89460K-00 to Venice Beach Account No. 89460K-VE;

   B. Authorize the RAP Chief Accounting Employee to transfer Quimby Funds in the amount of Three Hundred Twenty-One Thousand, Five Hundred Sixty-Nine Dollars ($321,569.00), which were collected in Fiscal Year 2005-2006, from Quimby Account No. 89460K-00 to Venice Beach Account No. 89460K-VE;

   C. Rescind approval of Recommendation No. 21-D of Report No. 08-198, approved on July 9, 2008, which approved the allocation of One Million, Seven Hundred Thousand Dollars ($1,700,000.00) in Quimby Fees for the Venice Beach – New Skate Park (PRJ1029C) Project;

   D. Approve the allocation of One Million, Six Hundred Ten Thousand, One Hundred Ninety Dollars ($1,610,190.00) in Quimby Fees for the Venice Beach – New Skate Park (PRJ1029C) Project;
2. Take the following actions regarding Venice Beach – Pier Refurbishment (PRJ20587) Project:

   A. Authorize the RAP Chief Accounting Employee to reallocate Two Hundred Sixty-Nine Thousand, Two Hundred Ninety-Five Dollars and Seventy Cents ($269,295.70) in Quimby Fees, currently allocated to the Venice Beach – New Skate Park (PRJ1029C) Project, to the Venice Beach – Pier Refurbishment (PRJ20587) Project;

   B. Authorize the RAP Chief Accounting Employee to transfer Quimby Funds in the amount of One Hundred Fifty-Nine Thousand, Four Hundred Sixty-Two Dollars ($159,462.00) from Quimby Fees Account No. 89460K-00 to Venice Beach Account No. 89460K-VE;

   C. Approve the allocation of Four Hundred Twenty-Eight Thousand, Seven Hundred Fifty-Seven Dollars and Seventy Cents ($428,757.70) in Quimby Funds from Venice Beach Account No. 89460K-VE for the Venice Beach – Pier Refurbishment (PRJ20587) Project;

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

SUMMARY

Venice Beach is located at 1800 Ocean Front Walk in the Venice area of the City. This 178.0 acre facility provides a variety of services and programs to the surrounding community, including basketball, handball, tennis and volleyball courts. Venice Beach also includes the Venice Boardwalk. An estimated Thirteen Thousand, Two Hundred Thirty-Three (13,233) City residents live within a one-half (½) mile walking distance of Venice Beach. Due to the facilities, features, programs, and services it provides, Venice Beach meets the standard for a Community Park, as defined in the City’s Public Recreation Plan.

Venice Beach – New Skate Park (PRJ1029C) Project

The Board of Recreation and Park Commissioners (Board) has approved the allocation of a total of One Million Seven Hundred Thousand Dollars ($1,700,000.00) in Quimby Fees for the Venice Beach – New Skate Park (PRJ1029C) Project (Report No. 08-198). The scope of the Venice Beach – New Skate Park (PRJ1029C) Project included the construction of a new, approximately 16,000 square foot, in-ground concrete skate park.

The Venice Beach – New Skate Park (PRJ1029C) Project is complete and was accepted by the Board on February 17, 2010 (Report No. 10-026). There is a total of Two Hundred Sixty-Nine Thousand, Two Hundred Ninety-Five Dollars and Seventy Cents ($269,295.70) in unexpended Quimby funds that are available for reallocation from the Venice Beach – New Skate Park (PRJ1029C) Project to other projects.
However, before the unexpended funds can be reallocated to other projects, RAP staff has determined that it is necessary to make revisions to the account sources and amounts originally allocated to the Venice Beach – New Skate Park (PRJ1029C) Project in Report No. 08-198. This is necessary in order to correct the amount of Quimby Fees being transferred to, and allocated from, Venice Beach Account No. 89460K-VE and to reduce the total amount of Quimby Fees that were allocated to the project from One Million Seven Hundred Thousand Dollars ($1,700,000.00) to One Million Six Hundred Ten Thousand, One Hundred Ninety Dollars ($1,610,190.00).

Upon approval of this Report, the revised allocation of Quimby Funds to Venice Beach – New Skate Park (PRJ1029C) Project would be One Million Six Hundred Ten Thousand One Hundred Ninety Dollars ($1,610,190.00).

**Venice Beach - Pier Refurbishment (PRJ20587)**

The Board of Recreation and Park Commissioners (Board) has approved the allocation of a total of Six Hundred Fifty-One Thousand, Three Hundred Fifteen Dollars ($651,315.00) in Quimby Fees for the Venice Beach – Pier Refurbishment (PRJ20587) Project (Report No. 12-239). The scope of the Venice Beach – Pier Refurbishment (PRJ20587) Project was to conduct a preliminary investigation of the Venice Beach pier in order to determine the scope of work necessary for the renovation and improvement of the Venice Beach pier.

RAP staff and Bureau of Engineering have determined that supplemental funding is needed in order to complete the structural evaluations and underwater inspection necessary to fully assess the condition of the pier.

Upon approval of this Report, Two Hundred Sixty-Nine Thousand, Two Hundred Ninety-Five Dollars and Seventy Cents ($269,295.70) in Quimby Fees, currently allocated to the Venice Beach – New Skate Park (PRJ1029C) Project, can be reallocated to the Venice Beach – Pier Refurbishment (PRJ20587) Project. Additionally, One Hundred Fifty-Nine Thousand, Four Hundred Sixty-Two Dollars ($159,462.00) in Quimby Fees can be transferred from Quimby Fees Account No. 89460K-00 to Venice Beach Account No. 89460K-VE and allocated to the Venice Beach – Pier Refurbishment (PRJ20587) Project. These Quimby Fees were collected within two (2) miles of Venice Beach, which is the standard distance for the allocation of the Quimby Fees for community recreational facilities.

The total funding available for the Venice Beach – Pier Refurbishment (PRJ20587) Project, inclusive of the Six Hundred Fifty-One Thousand, Three Hundred Fifteen Dollars ($651,315.00) in Quimby Fees previously allocated to the Project, would be One Million Eighty Thousand, Seventy-Two Dollars and Seventy Cents ($1,080,072.70).
Once the necessary structural evaluations and investigations of the Venice Beach Pier have been completed, RAP staff will return to the Board with recommendations on how to proceed with the Venice Beach – Pier Refurbishment (PRJ20587) Project. Any allocated project funding remaining after completion of the structural evaluations and investigations would be set aside for the eventual repair and restoration of the Venice Beach Pier.

**TREES AND SHADE**

The approval of this Project will have no impact on existing trees or shade at Venice Beach, and no new trees or new shade are proposed to be added to Venice Beach as a part of this Project.

**ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT:**

Staff has determined that the subject project is a continuation of an existing planning project approved on August 8, 2012 (Report No. 12-239) that is exempted from CEQA in accordance with Article II, Section 2(d) of the City CEQA Guidelines. The work funded by the current Board action will not result in any additional environmental impacts, and therefore, is covered by the existing CEQA exemption. No additional CEQA documentation is required.

**FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

The approval of this allocation of Quimby Fees for structural evaluations and investigations of the Venice Beach Pier will have no fiscal impact on the Department.

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