BOARD REPORT

DATE March 1, 2017

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BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

SUBJECT: ALBION RIVERSIDE PARK – WATER QUALITY AND PARK IMPROVEMENTS (PRJ20647) (W.O. #EW40060F) PROJECT; ALLOCATION OF DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION AND PARKS CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUNDS

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RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Authorize the Department of Recreation and Parks (RAP) Chief Accounting Employee to transfer One Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars ($1,500,000.00) in Interest Income from the Interest Income Account in Fund 205, Department 88, Account 88000H to Account 205/88/ Account TBD;

2. Approve the allocation of One Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars ($1,500,000.00) in Interest Income from Account 205/88/ Account TBD for the Albion Riverside Park – Water Quality and Park Improvements (PRJ20647) (W.O. #EW40060F) Project; and,

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

SUMMARY

Albion Riverside Park is located at 1739 North Albion Street, Los Angeles. The six (6) acre triangle-shaped project site is situated along the Los Angeles River, north of Main Street and south of Spring Street. The site is bordered by Albion Street to the southeast, by the existing Downey Recreation Center to the north, and by railroad tracks to the west. Approximately Two Thousand Eight Hundred Fifty Five (2,855) residents live within a one-half (½) mile walking distance of Albion Riverside Park. Due to the facilities, features, programs, and services it will provide once complete, Albion Riverside Park meets the standard for a Community Park, as defined in the City’s Public Recreation Plan.
On June 1, 2016, the Board of Recreation and Park Commissioners (Board) approved the final plans and specifications for the Albion Riverside Park – Water Quality and Park Improvements (PRJ20647) (W.O. #EW40060F) Project (Report No. 16-101). The scope of work for the Albion Riverside Park – Water Quality and Park Improvements (PRJ20647) (W.O. #EW40060F) Project is the development of the new six (6) acre site as well as improve portions of the existing Downey Recreational Center. The project will construct a new small size synthetic athletic field, new sports field lighting, walking and bike path, new fitness equipment area with resilient surfacing, new children's play area with resilient surfacing, new parking lot with permeable parking spaces, install landscaping, reconfigured the existing Downey Recreational Center baseball field, renovate the pedestrian pathway to the Downey Child Care Center, and reconfigure and improve the staff access road and parking lot to provide a buffer from the baseball field.

Department of Public Works, Bureau of Engineering (BOE), Proposition 0 Bond Program is managing the project, design, construction, and construction management. In addition, BOE Architectural Division prepared the landscape plans and specifications as well as obtained all the associated necessary permit approvals for the project.

Upon approval of this report, One Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars ($1,500,000.00) in Interest Income from the Interest Income Account in Fund 205, Department 88, Account 88000H can be transferred to Account 205/88/ Account TBD and allocated to Albion Riverside Park – Water Quality and Park Improvements (PRJ20647) (W.O. #EW40060F) Project.

The total funding available for the Albion Riverside Park – Water Quality and Park Improvements (PRJ20647) (W.O. #EW40060F) Project would be Eighteen Million Four Hundred Ninety Four Thousand Eight Hundred Fifty Nine Dollars ($18,494,859.00).

FUNDING SOURCE MATRIX

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PROJECT CONSTRUCTION

The construction contract for the Albion Riverside Park – Water Quality and Park Improvements (PRJ20647) (W.O. #EW40060F) Project will be awarded through the Board of Public Works.

TREES AND SHADE

As detailed in Report No. 16-101, Eighteen (18) trees will be removed and two hundred twenty nine (229) trees will be added at Albion Riverside Park. Additional shade will be provided with the increase in the total number of trees at the park site.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT

This project was previously evaluated for environmental impacts in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). A Mitigated Negative Declaration was considered and adopted by the City Council of the City of Los Angeles on April 12, 2011. A Notice of Determination was filed with the Los Angeles City Clerk and the Los Angeles County Clerk on April 12, 2011. BOE staff has determined that this project and the environmental conditions of the site have not substantially changed since the adoption of the Mitigated Negative Declaration. Therefore, the Mitigated Negative Declaration which was adopted on April 12, 2011, remains valid.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

Funding for the grounds maintenance and facility repair of this project will be requested through the RAP’s new and expanded facilities budget request process.

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