BOARD REPORT

DATE March 15, 2017

BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

NO. 17-065

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SUBJECT: CABRILLO MARINE AQUARIUM – RENOVATION AND EXPANSION (PRJ21119) PROJECT; ALLOCATION OF QUIMBY FEES

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RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Approve the scope of the Cabrillo Marine Aquarium – Renovation and Expansion (PRJ21119) Project, as described in the Summary of the Report;

2. Authorize the Department of Recreation and Parks’ (RAP) Chief Accounting Employee to reallocate Two Hundred Thousand Dollars ($200,000.00) in Quimby Fees, currently allocated to the Cabrillo Marine Aquarium – Building Renovations (PRJ20666) Project, to the Cabrillo Marine Aquarium – Renovation and Expansion (PRJ21119) Project;

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

SUMMARY

Cabrillo Beach is located at 3800 Stephen M. White Drive in the San Pedro area of the City. This 40.07 acre park provides beach access, a bathhouse, a children’s play area, picnic areas, and a fishing pier for the surrounding community. Approximately 1,727 residents within a half mile walking distance from Cabrillo Beach. Cabrillo Beach is also home to the Cabrillo Marine Aquarium, a public aquarium that engages visitors in education, recreation, and research of the marine life of Southern California. Due to the facilities, features, programs, and services it provides, Cabrillo Beach meets the standard for a Regional Park, as defined in the City’s Public Recreation Plan.

The Master Plan proposed to improve the visitor experience by:

1. Developing an Experience Hub as a dramatic and welcoming public entrance to the facility.
2. Redesigning and remodeling the Susanne Lawrenz-Miller Exhibit Hall.
3. Developing a strong presence in the Cabrillo Beach Coastal Park and on the Los Angeles waterfront.
4. Developing a presence at AltaSea in the Port of Los Angeles.

PROJECT SCOPE

The Cabrillo Marine Aquarium – Renovation and Expansion (PRJ21119) Project proposes renovate and expand the aquarium and its exhibits as a part of the overall Master Plan.

PROJECT FUNDING

Upon approval of this Report, Two Hundred Thousand Dollars ($200,000.00) in Quimby Fees currently allocated to the Cabrillo Marine Aquarium – Building Renovations (PRJ20666) Project can be reallocated Cabrillo Marine Aquarium – Renovation and Expansion (PRJ21119) Project.

The total funding available for the Cabrillo Marine Aquarium – Renovation and Expansion (PRJ21119) Project would be Two Hundred Thousand Dollars ($200,000.00).

RAP’s staff recommends that these funds be allocated to initiate the design process of the Cabrillo Marine Aquarium – Renovation and Expansion (PRJ21119) Project.

FUNDING SOURCE MATRIX

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PROJECT CONSTRUCTION

RAP's staff has determined that sufficient funding has not yet been identified for the construction of the Cabrillo Marine Aquarium – Renovation and Expansion (PRJ21119) Project.

It is unknown at this time when construction of this project can commence.
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT

RAP's staff has determined that California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) will be addressed when the complete project scope has been determined and sufficient funds have been identified to begin the project.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

The approval of this allocation of Quimby Fees will have no fiscal impact and the estimated costs for the design, development, and construction of the Cabrillo Marine Aquarium – Building Renovations PRJ21119) Project are anticipated to be funded by Quimby Fees or funding sources other than RAP's General Fund.

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