BOARD REPORT

BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

DATE: August 08, 2018
C.D.: 10

SUBJECT: VINEYARD RECREATION CENTER – PLAY AREA RENOVATION (PRJ21185) PROJECT – ALLOCATION OF QUIMBY FEES; CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION FROM THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) PURSUANT TO ARTICLE III, SECTION 1, CLASS 1(3) [MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR OF WALK PATHS], CLASS 2 [REPLACEMENT OF EXISTING STRUCTURES] AND CLASS 11(3) PLACEMENT OF ACCESSORY STRUCTURES OF THE CITY CEQA GUIDELINES

APPROVED

AP Diaz
R. Barajas
H. Fujita

APPROVED

V. Israel
S. Piña-Cortez
N. Williams

Approved X Disapproved Withdrawn

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Approve the scope of work for the Vineyard Recreation Center – Play Area Renovation (PRJ21185) Project (Project), as described in the Summary of this Report;

2. Authorize the Department of Recreation and Parks' (RAP) Chief Accounting Employee to establish new Quimby Fees Account No. 89460K-VY with Vineyard Recreation Center as the Account Name;

3. Authorize the Department of Recreation and Parks (RAP) Chief Accounting Employee to transfer Five Hundred Thirty Seven Thousand Five Hundred Eighty Nine Dollars ($537,589.00) in Quimby Fees from the Quimby Account No. 89460K-00 to the Vineyard Recreation Center Account No. 89460K-VY;

4. Approve the allocation of Five Hundred Thirty Seven Thousand Five Hundred Eighty Nine Dollars ($537,589.00) in Quimby Fees from the Vineyard Recreation Center Account No. 89460K-VY for the Vineyard Recreation Center – Play Area Renovation (PRJ21185) Project; and,

5. Find that the proposed Project is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), and direct RAP staff to file a Notice of Exemption (NOE);
6. Authorize the RAP’s Chief Accounting Employee to prepare a check to the Los Angeles County Clerk in the amount of Seventy-Five Dollars ($75.00) for the purpose of filing a Notice of Exemption; and,

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

SUMMARY

Vineyard Recreation Center is located at 2942 Vineyard Avenue in the Baldwin Hills community of the City. This 0.93 acre property provides indoor and outdoor basketball courts, picnic tables, and a recreation center for the use of the surrounding community. An estimated 8,546 City residents live within a one-half (½) mile walking distance of Vineyard Recreation Center. Due to the facilities, features, programs, and services it provides, Vineyard Recreation Center meets the standard for a Community Park as defined in the City’s Public Recreation Plan.

PROJECT SCOPE

Vineyard Recreation Center – Play Area Renovation (PRJ21185) Project proposes the renovation of the existing play area which includes the replacement of existing play equipment, installation of resilient surfacing and shade sails, and any necessary path of travel improvements. The proposed new play area will be located in the same location as the existing play area and will be similar in size.

PROJECT CONSTRUCTION

RAP staff estimated the Project will cost approximate Five Hundred Thirty Seven Thousand Five Hundred Eighty Nine Dollars ($537,589.00). Staff has determined that sufficient funding has been identified for the construction of the Vineyard Recreation Center – Play Area Renovation (PRJ21185) Project which is anticipated to begin in September 2018.

PROJECT FUNDING

Upon approval of this Report, approximately Five Hundred Thirty Seven Thousand Five Hundred Eighty Nine Dollars ($537,589.00) in Quimby Fees from the Quimby Account No. 89460K-00 will be transferred to the Vineyard Recreation Center Account No. 89460K-VY and will be allocated to the Vineyard Recreation Center – Play Area Renovation (PRJ21185) Project.

These Quimby Fees were collected within five (5) miles of Vineyard Recreation Center, which is the standard distance for the allocation of Park Fees for community recreational facilities pursuant to Los Angeles Municipal Code Section 12.33 E.3.
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FUNDING SOURCE MATRIX

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TREES AND SHADE

The renovation of the play area will add shade to Vineyard Recreation Center. The proposed Project will provide additional shade at the park as the new children’s play area will include integrated shade toppers.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT

The proposed project consists of replacement of existing structures, improvements of walk paths and placement of accessory structures. As such, staff recommends that the Board of Recreation and Park Commissioners’ (Board) determine that it is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article III, Section 1, Class 1(3), Class 2 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 RAP’s General Fund.

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 no overall impact to existing maintenance service at this facility.

This Report was prepared by Wendy Cervantes, Management Assistant, Planning, Maintenance and Construction Branch.

LIST OF ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1 – Photograph of Existing Play Area(s)
Attachment 2 – Aerial View of Project Site
Attachment 1
Vineyard RC Area Site Map