BOARD OF RECREATION
AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

DATE December 12, 2018

SUBJECT: GRIFFITH PARK - HOLLYWOOD SIGN MOUNT LEE TELECOM AND SECURITY IMPROVEMENTS (PRJ21239) PROJECT; ALLOCATION OF QUIMBY FEES; CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION FROM THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) PURSUANT TO ARTICLE III, SECTION 1, CLASS 1(32) [INSTALLATION OR MODIFICATION OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE DEVICES, ACCESSORY TO THE USE OF EXISTING STRUCTURES AND FACILITIES]

AP Diaz for R. Barajas
H. Fujita

V. Israel
S. Piñata-Cortez
N. Williams

Approved X Disapproved Withdrawn

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Approve the scope of work of the Griffith Park – Hollywood Sign Mount Lee Telecom and Security Improvements (PRJ21239) Project (Project), as described in the Summary of this Report;

2. Authorize the Department of Recreation and Parks (RAP) Chief Accounting Employee to transfer Fifty Thousand Dollars ($50,000.00) in Quimby Fees from Quimby Fee Account No. 89460K-00 to Griffith Park Account No. 89460K-GB;

3. Approve the allocation of Fifty Thousand Dollars ($50,000.00) in Quimby Fees from Griffith Park Account No. 89460K-GB for the Griffith Park – Hollywood Sign Mount Lee Telecom And Security Improvements (PRJ21239) Project; and,

4. Find that the proposed Project is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and instruct RAP staff to file a Notice of Exemption (NOE) with the Los Angeles County Clerk;

5. Authorize 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 an NOE;

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

Griffith Park is located at 4730 Crystal Springs Drive in the Hollywood community of the City. This 4,281.73-acre park provides a variety of recreational programs and activities for the local community. Approximately 18,155 residents live within a one-half mile walking distance of Griffith Park. Due to the facilities, features, and programs, and services it provides, Griffith Park meets the standard for a Regional Park, as defined in the City’s Public Recreation Plan.

PROJECT SCOPE

The scope of work for the Griffith Park – Hollywood Sign Mount Lee Telecom and Security Improvements (PRJ21239) Project includes the installation of new telecommunications infrastructure, including fiber optic lines, on Mount Lee. The Project would improve security around the Hollywood Sign by increasing the bandwidth available to transmit data (including security camera images and webcam images) from the Mount Lee installation to all users, such as the Los Angeles Police Department.

The proposed Project is estimated to cost approximately Eighty-Four Thousand Dollars ($84,000.00).

The Information Technology Agency (ITA) will be managing the design, construction, and implementation of the Project.

PROJECT FUNDING

Upon approval of this report, Fifty Thousand Dollars ($50,000.00) in Quimby Fees will be transferred from the Quimby Account No. 89460K-00 to Griffith Park Account No. 89460K-GB and will be allocated to the Project. The total Quimby Fees that would be allocated to the Project is Fifty Thousand Dollars ($50,000.00).

These Quimby Fees and Park Fees were collected within ten (10) miles of Griffith Park, which is the standard distance for the allocation of the Quimby Fees for Regional recreational facilities pursuant to Los Angeles Municipal Code Section 12.33 E.3.

Additionally, The Hollywood Sign Trust has donated Thirty Seven Thousand Five Hundred Dollars ($37,500) towards the completion of the Project (Council File No. 18-1085).
FUNDING SOURCE MATRIX

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PROJECT CONSTRUCTION

Staff has determined that sufficient funding has been identified for the construction of the Griffith Park – Hollywood Sign Mount Lee Telecom and Security Improvements (PRJ21239) Project which is currently anticipated to begin in January 2019.

TREES AND SHADE

The approval of this Project will have no impact on existing trees or shade at Griffith Park and no new trees or new shade is currently proposed to be added to Griffith Park as a part of this Project.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

The proposed Project consists of the installation of optic fibers on Mount Lee, the City telecommunication hub, and can be defined an installation of public convenience devices accessory to the use of an existing structure. Therefore RAP Staff recommends the Board determine the Project is exempt from the provisions of CEQA, pursuant Article III, Section 1, Class 1(32) of the City's CEQA Guidelines and Article 19, Section 15301 of California CEQA Guidelines. An NOE will be filed with the Los Angeles County Clerk upon approval by the Board.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

The approval of this allocation of Quimby Fees will have no fiscal impact on RAP’s General Funds.

The estimated costs for the design, development, and construction of the proposed park improvements proposed Project are anticipated to be funded by Quimby Fees or funding sources other than RAP’s General fund.

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