BOARD REPORT

BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

DATE July 11, 2018

NO. 18-139

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SUBJECT: BALDWIN HILLS RECREATION CENTER - PLAY AREA RENOVATION (PRJ21183) PROJECT - ALLOCATION OF QUIMBY AND ZONE CHANGE FEES; CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION FROM THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) PURSUANT TO ARTICLE III, SECTION 1, CLASS 1(3) [NEGLIGIBLE OR NO EXPANSION OF USE] AND CLASS 11(3) [PLACEMENT OF ACCESSORY STRUCTURES] OF THE CITY CEQA GUIDELINES

AP Diaz
R. Barajas
H. Fujita
V. Israel
S. Piña-Cortez
N. Williams

Approved X
Disapproved
Withdrawn

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Approve the scope of work for the Baldwin Hills Recreation Center - Play Area Renovation (PRJ21183) Project (Project), as described in the Summary of this Report;

2. Authorize the Department of Recreation and Parks' (RAP) Chief Accounting Employee or designee to transfer Thirty Three Thousand, Five Hundred Four Dollars ($33,504.00) in Zone Change Fees from the Zone Change Account No. 89440K-00 to the Baldwin Hills Recreation Center Account No. 89460K-BA;

3. Authorize RAP's Chief Accounting Employee or designee to transfer Six Hundred Sixty Six Thousand, Four Hundred Ninety-Six Dollars ($666,496.00) in Quimby Fees from Quimby Account No. 89460K-00 to the Baldwin Hills Recreation Center Account No. 89460K-BA;

4. Approve the allocation of Seven Hundred Thousand Dollars ($700,000.00) in Quimby and Zone Change Fees from the Baldwin Hills Recreation Center Account No. 89460K-BA for the Baldwin Hills Recreation Center - Play Area Renovation (PRJ21183) 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 RAP Chief Accounting Employee or designee 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 or designee to make technical corrections as necessary to carry out the intent of this Report.

SUMMARY

Baldwin Hills Recreation Center is located at 5401 Highlight Place in the Baldwin Hills community of the City. This 10.87 acre property provides a baseball diamond, indoor and outdoor basketball courts, two (2) children’s play areas, picnic tables, and tennis courts for the use of the surrounding community. A total of 2,205 City residents live within a one-half (½) mile walking distance of Baldwin Hills Recreation Center. Due to the facilities, features, programs, and services it provides, Baldwin Hills Recreation Center meets the standard for a Community Park as defined in the City’s Public Recreation Plan.

PROJECT SCOPE

The Baldwin Hills Recreation Center – Play Area Renovation (PRJ21183) Project (Project) proposes renovation of the play area which includes the replacement of two (2) existing children’s play areas, installation of resilient surfacing and shade sails, and upgrades for path of travel. The new play area will be located in the same location as the existing play areas and will be similar in size to those play areas.

PROJECT CONSTRUCTION

RAP staff estimated the Project will cost approximately Seven Hundred Thousand Dollars ($700,000.00). Staff has determined that sufficient funding has been identified for the construction of the Baldwin Hills Recreation Center – Play Area Renovation (PRJ21183) Project. The Project is anticipated to begin in July 2018.

PROJECT FUNDING

Upon approval of this Report, Thirty Three Thousand, Five Hundred Four Dollars ($33,504.00) in Zone Change Fees will be transferred from the Zone Change Account No. 89440K-00 to the Baldwin Hills Recreation Center Account No. 89460K-BA and Six Hundred Sixty-Six Thousand, Four Hundred Ninety-Six Dollars ($666,496.00) in Quimby Fees will be transferred from Quimby Account No. 89460K-00 to the Baldwin Hills Recreation Center Account No. 89460K-BA. Seven Hundred Thousand Dollars ($700,000.00) will be allocated from Baldwin Hills Recreation Center Account No. 89460K-BA to the Baldwin Hills Recreation Center – Play Area Renovation (PRJ21183) Project.

These Quimby and Zone Change Fees were collected within five (5) miles of Baldwin Hills 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.
FUNDING SOURCE MATRIX

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TREES AND SHADE

The renovation of the play area will add shade to Baldwin Hills Recreation Center as the new play area will include integrated shade toppers. The proposed Project will not have an impact on existing trees nor add any additional trees to Baldwin Hills Recreation Center.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT

The proposed Project will consist of minor alterations to existing park facilities involving negligible or no expansion of use and the placement of accessory structures. Therefore, Staff recommends that the Board of Recreation and Park Commissioners’ (Board) determine the Project is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article III, Section 1, Class 1(3) and Class 11(3) of the City CEQA Guidelines.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

The approval of this allocation of Quimby and Zone Change 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 and Zone Change 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

1) Play Area
2) Site Map
Baldwin Hills RC - Large Play Area
Baldwin Hills RC – Small Play Area
Baldwin Hills RC - Play Area Site Map

Large Play Area

Small Play Area