BOARD REPORT

BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

DATE: August 7, 2019
C.D.: 2

SUBJECT: VALLEY PLAZA PARK – INSTALLATION OF LIGHTING AND SECURITY CAMERAS (PRJ21297) PROJECT – ALLOCATION OF QUIMBY FEES – CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION FROM THE PROVISIONS OF THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) PURSUANT TO ARTICLE III, SECTION 1, CLASS 1(12) [OUTDOOR LIGHTING FOR SECURITY AND OPERATIONS] AND CLASS 3(4) [INSTALLATION OF NEW EQUIPMENT INVOLVING NEGLIGIBLE OR NO EXPANSION OF USE REQUIRED FOR SAFETY AND PUBLIC CONVENIENCE] OF CITY CEQA GUIDELINES AND ARTICLE 19, SECTIONS 15301 AND 15303 OF CALIFORNIA CEQA GUIDELINES

AP Diaz __________________ S. Piña-Cortez
H. Fujita __________________ C. Santo Domingo
V. Israel ____________ N. Williams

[Signature]
General Manager

Approved ___________ Disapproved ___________ Withdrawn ___________

RECOMMENDATION

1. Approve the scope of work for the Valley Plaza Park – Installation of Lighting and Security Cameras (PRJ21297) Project (Project), as described in the Summary of this Report;

2. Authorize the Department of Recreation and Parks (RAP) Chief Accounting Employee to transfer Two Hundred Ten Thousand Dollars ($210,000.00) in Quimby Fees from the Quimby Account No. 89460K-00 to the Valley Plaza Park Account No. 89460K-VA;

3. Approve the allocation of Two Hundred Ten Thousand Dollars ($210,000.00) in Quimby Fees from the Valley Plaza Park Account No. 89460K-VA for the proposed Project;

4. Find that the proposed Project is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), pursuant to Article III, Section 1, Class 1(12) and Class 3(4), of City CEQA Guidelines as well as to Article 19, Sections 15301 and 15303 of California CEQA Guidelines, and direct RAP staff to file a Notice of Exemption (NOE);
5. Authorize RAP’s 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 an NOE; and,

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

SUMMARY

Valley Plaza Park is located at 12240 West Archwood Street in the North Hollywood community of the City. This 77.64-acre park provides multipurpose fields, basketball and tennis courts, children’s play areas, a recreation center, and a swimming pool for the use of the local community. Approximately 18,914 residents live within a half-mile walking distance of Valley Plaza Park. Due to the facilities, features, programs, and services it provides, Valley Plaza Park meets the standard for a Community Park, as defined in the City’s Public Recreation Plan.

PROJECT SCOPE

The proposed Project includes the retrofitting of existing lighting fixtures, provision and installation of one new light pole, and the provision and installation of a security camera system.

PROJECT CONSTRUCTION

RAP staff estimates the proposed Project will cost approximately Two Hundred Ten Thousand Dollars ($210,000.00). RAP staff has determined that sufficient funding has been identified for the construction of the proposed Project. The proposed Project is anticipated to begin construction in August 2019.

PROJECT FUNDING

Upon approval of this report, a total of Two Hundred Ten Thousand Dollars ($210,000.00) in Quimby Fees can be transferred from the Quimby Account No. 89460K-00 to the Valley Plaza Park Account No. 89460K-VA and allocated to the proposed Project.

These Quimby Fees were collected within five (5) miles of Valley Plaza Park, 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 approval of this proposed Project will have no impact on existing trees and no new trees are proposed to be added to Valley Plaza Park as a part of this proposed Project.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

The proposed Project consists of the installation of lighting for security and operations and of the installation of new equipment required for safety and public convenience, which involves negligible or no expansion of use. As such RAP staff recommends that the Board of Recreation and Parks Commissioners (Board) determine that this Project is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article III, Section 1, Class 1(12) and Class 3(4), of City CEQA Guidelines as well as to Article 19, Sections 15301 and 15303 of California CEQA Guidelines. An NOE will be filed with the Los Angeles County Clerk upon Board’s approval.

FISCAL IMPACT

The approval of this allocation of Quimby Fees for this Project 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 RAP staff with no overall impact to existing maintenance service at this facility.

STRATEGIC PLAN INITIATIVES AND GOALS

Approval of this Board Report advances RAP’s Strategic Plan by supporting:

- **Goal No. 1:** Provide Safe and Accessible Parks
- **Outcome No. 2:** All parks are safe and welcoming

**Result:** The retrofitting and installation of new lighting, along with the installation of a security camera system, will enhance the safety of the visitors and staff.

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