BOARD REPORT

DATE May 21, 2020

BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

SUBJECT: PALISADES RECREATION CENTER – BUILDING IMPROVEMENTS (PRJ21364) 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(1) [INTERIOR ALTERATIONS TO AN EXISTING FACILITY WHERE THERE BE NEGLIGIBLE OR NO EXPANSION OF USE] OF CITY CEQA GUIDELINES AND ARTICLE 19, SECTION 15301(a) OF CALIFORNIA CEQA GUIDELINES

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Approve the scope of work for the Palisades Recreation Center – Building Improvements (PRJ21364) Project (Project), as described in the Summary of this Report;

2. Approve the allocation of Seventy-Two Thousand Dollars ($72,000.00) in Quimby Fees from the Palisades Recreation Center Account No. 89460K-PL to the Palisades Recreation Center – Building Improvements (PRJ21364) Project;

3. Determine that the proposed Project is exempt from the provisions of CEQA pursuant to Article III, Section 1, Class 1(1) [Interior alterations to an existing facility where there be negligible or no expansion of use] of City CEQA Guidelines and Article 19, Section 15301(a) of California CEQA Guidelines;

4. Authorize the Department of Recreation and Parks’ (RAP) Chief Accounting Employee or designee to prepare a check to the Los Angeles County Clerk in the amount of $75.00 for the purpose of filing a Notice of Exemption (NOE); and,

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

Palisades Recreation Center is located at 851 Alma Real Drive in the Pacific Palisades community of the City. This 17.14-acre facility provides two recreation centers, tennis courts, basketball court, a children's play areas, and multipurpose fields for the use of the surrounding community. Approximately 2,595 City residents live within a one-half mile walking distance of Palisades Recreation Center. Due to the facilities, features, programs, and services it provides, Palisades Recreation Center meets the standard for a Community Park, as defined in the City’s Public Recreation Plan.

PROJECT SCOPE

The proposed Palisades Recreation Center – Building Improvements (PRJ21364) Project includes the improvements to the recreation center building such as the floors, ceilings, interior fixtures, and replacement of windows.

PROJECT FUNDING

Upon approval of this report, Seventy-Two Thousand Dollars ($72,000.00) in Quimby Fees can be allocated from the Palisades Recreation Center Account No. 89460K-PL to the Palisades Recreation Center – Building Improvements (PRJ21364) Project.

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

FUNDING SOURCE MATRIX

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PROJECT CONSTRUCTION

RAP staff has determined that sufficient funding has been identified and construction of the proposed Project is anticipated to begin in May 2020.

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 Palisades Recreation Center as a part of this Project.
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

The proposed Projects consists of interior alterations to an existing facility where there be negligible or no expansion of use. As such staff recommends that the Board of Recreation and Park Commissioners (Board) determines that it is exempt from the provisions of CEQA pursuant to Article III, Section 1, Class 1(1), of City CEQA Guidelines, as well as to Article 19, Section 15301(a), of California CEQA Guidelines. An NOE will be filed with the Los Angeles County Clerk upon the Board’s approval.

FISCAL IMPACT

The approval of this Project and the 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 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 proposed Projects will enhance the park user’s experience and increase accessibility.

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