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BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

BOARD REPORT

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SUBJECT: RAMON GARCIA RECREATION CENTER – BUILDING IMPROVEMENTS (PRJ21901) PROJECT – COMMITMENT OF PARK FEES – CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION FROM THE PROVISIONS OF THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) PURSUANT TO SECTION 15302 [REPLACEMENT OR RECONSTRUCTION OF EXISTING STRUCTURES AND FACILITIES WHERE THE NEW STRUCTURE WILL BE LOCATED ON THE SAME SITE AS THE STRUCTURE REPLACED AND HAVE SUBSTANTIALLY THE SAME PURPOSE AND CAPACITY] OF CALIFORNIA CEQA GUIDELINES AS WELL AS ARTICLE III, SECTION 1, CLASS 2 OF CITY CEQA GUIDELINES

B. Aguirre _____ M. Rudnick _____
B. Jones _____ for * C. Santo Domingo DF
C. Stoneham _____ N. Williams _____



General Manager

Approved X Disapproved _____ Withdrawn _____

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Approve the scope of work and the total budget of the Ramon Garcia Recreation Center – Building Improvements (PRJ21901) Project (Project), as described in the Summary of this Report;
2. Authorize Department of Recreation and Parks (RAP) staff to commit from the following fund and work order numbers a maximum of \$70,000.00 in Park Fees for the proposed Project;

<u>FUNDING SOURCE</u>	<u>FUND/DEPT./ACCT. NO.</u>	<u>WORK ORDER NO.</u>
Park Fees	302/89/89716H	QT074529

3. Approve the Project to be bid and constructed through the RAP list of pre-qualified on-call contractors;
4. Approve the authorization of change orders as authorized under Board Report No. 06-136, for the construction contracts for this Project in the budget contingency amounts for such contracts as stated in this Report;
5. Determine that the proposed Project is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article 19, Section 15302 [Replacement or reconstruction of existing structures and facilities where the new

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structure will be located on the same site as the structure replaced and have substantially the same purpose and capacity] of California CEQA Guidelines and Article III, Section 1, Class 2 of City CEQA Guidelines, and direct staff to file a Notice of Exemption (NOE) with the Los Angeles County Clerk and the Governor's Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation;

6. Authorize RAP's Chief Accounting Employee to prepare a check to the Los Angeles County Clerk in the amount of \$75.00 for the purpose of filing an NOE; and,
7. Authorize RAP staff to make technical corrections as necessary to carry out the intent of this Report.

SUMMARY

Ramon Garcia Recreation Center is located at 1016 South Fresno Street in the Boyle Heights community of the City. This 6.49-acre facility provides a recreation center, ball diamonds, basketball court, children's play area, and picnic tables. Due to the facilities, features, programs, and services it provides, Ramon Garcia Recreation Center meets the standard for a Community Park as defined in the City's Public Recreation Plan.

PROJECT SCOPE

The Project's scope of work involves replacing Ramon Garcia Recreation Center's doors.

PROJECT FUNDING

Upon approval of this Report, \$70,000.00 in Park Fees can be committed to the proposed Project, which is the total budget including the budget contingency amount set forth below. See below the anticipated pre-qualified on-call contract(s) and budget contingency amount(s) that will be used for the Project:

On-Call Contract	Contingency Amount
Park Facility Construction	\$14,000.00

The Park Fees were collected within five miles of Ramon Garcia Recreation Center, which is the standard distance for the commitment of Park Fees for community recreational facilities pursuant to Los Angeles Municipal Code Section 12.33 E.3.

FUNDING SOURCE MATRIX

Source	Fund/Dept/Acct	Amount	Percentage
Park Fees	302/89/89716H	\$70,000.00	100%
Total		\$70,000.00	100%

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PROJECT CONSTRUCTION

RAP staff has determined that sufficient funding has been identified for the Project. See below the anticipated schedule for the proposed Project:

Phase	Duration
Predesign	N/A
Design	N/A
Bid and Award	July 2025 – November 2025
Construction	December 2025 – June 2026
Post Construction	July 2026 – December 2026

TREES AND SHADE

This Project will have no impact on the existing trees and shade at the Ramon Garcia Recreation Center.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

The proposed Project consists of replacing security doors to an existing building. Based on the parcel profile retrieved on October 10, 2025 through NavigateLA (<https://navigatela.lacity.org/navigatela/>), this site is not located within a coastal, liquefaction, flood, or historic protection zone, nor is it in the vicinity of the Alquist-Priolo fault zone. The site is located within a methane zone, but the Project does not pose any risk of methane exposure. As of October 10, 2025, the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) (Geotracker at <https://geotracker.waterboards.ca.gov/>) has not listed any cleanup program sites to be situated within 1000 feet of the Project site. The State Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) (Envirostor at <https://www.envirostor.dtsc.ca.gov/>) identified three closed cleanup program sites within 1,000 feet of the Project site:

- Two evaluation sites with no contaminants found – Madrid Property (60001702) and Silva Property (60001677); and
- One state response site – Capri Pumping Service (19490015). This facility operated as a hazardous waste treatment, storage and transporter. An emergency action removed 120 drums of cyanide, acids and metals. Contaminated soils and wastes were characterized and removed at a cost of \$1.4. and the site was certified on January 1, 1986.

None of these sites pose any risk of impacting the proposed Project.

When reviewing the Caltrans Scenic Highway Map, no scenic highways near the vicinity of the Project site were identified. With regards to Historic-Cultural Monuments, the proposed Project does not pose any risk of impact to historical resources.

As a result of the environmental impact analysis, RAP staff recommends that the Board determine that the proposed Project is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article 19, Section 15302 of California CEQA

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Guidelines and Article III, Section 1, Class 2 of the City CEQA Guidelines. Staff will file a Notice of Exemption (NOE) with the Los Angeles County Clerk and the Governor's Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation upon the Board's approval.

FISCAL IMPACT

The approval of this commitment of Park 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 Park Fees or funding sources other than RAP's General Fund. The maintenance of the proposed park improvements can be performed by current staff with minimal impact to existing maintenance service at this facility.

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