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REPORT OF GENERAL MANAGER

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SUBJECT: NORTHRIDGE RECREATION CENTER – PLAYGROUND RENOVATION (PRJ20783) AND POOL IMPROVEMENTS (PRJ20401) PROJECT – ALLOCATION OF QUIMBY AND ZONE CHANGE FEES AND EXEMPTION FROM THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT

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Approved \_\_\_\_\_

Disapproved \_\_\_\_\_

Withdrawn \_\_\_\_\_

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the Board:

1. Take the following action regarding Northridge Recreation Center - Playground Renovation (PRJ20783) project:
  - A. Authorize the reallocation of \$85,361.18 in Quimby Fees, previously allocated for the Northridge Recreation Center - Swimming Pool and Bathhouse (PRJ1233A) project, per Board Report No. 04-216, to the Northridge Recreation Center - Playground Renovation (PRJ20783) project;
  - B. Authorize the reallocation of \$59,999.90 in Zone Change Fees, previously allocated for the Northridge Recreation Center - Swimming Pool and Bathhouse (PRJ1233A) project, per Board Report No. 04-216, to the Northridge Recreation Center - Playground Renovation (PRJ20783) project;
  - C. Authorize the Department's Chief Accounting Employee to transfer \$59,999.90 in Zone Change Fees from the Northridge Recreation Center Account No. 89440K-NT to the Northridge Recreation Center Account No. 89460K-NT;

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- D. Authorize the reallocation of \$2,097.17 in Quimby Fees, previously allocated for the Northridge Recreation Center - New Gym Floor (PRJ90010) project, per Board Report No. 06-199, to the Northridge Recreation Center - Playground Renovation (PRJ20783) project;
  - E. Authorize the Department's Chief Accounting Employee to transfer \$205,896.50 in Quimby Fees from the Quimby Fees Account No. 89460K-00 to the Northridge Recreation Center Account No. 89460K-NT;
  - F. Approve the allocation of \$353,354.75 in Quimby Fees from Northridge Recreation Center Account No. 89460K-NT for the Northridge Recreation Center - Playground Renovation (PRJ20783) project, as described in the Summary of this Report; and,
  - G. Find that the actions taken by the Board herein are exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).
2. Take the following action regarding Northridge Recreation Center – Pool Improvements (PRJ20401) project:
- A. Authorize the reallocation of \$4,638.82 in Quimby Fees, previously allocated for the Northridge Recreation Center - Swimming Pool and Bathhouse (PRJ1233A) project, per Board Report No. 04-216, to the Northridge Recreation Center - Pool Improvements (PRJ20401) project; and,
  - B. Approve the allocation of \$4,638.82 in Quimby Fees from Northridge Recreation Center Account No. 89460K-NT for the Northridge Recreation Center - Pool Improvements (PRJ20401) project, as described in the Summary of this Report.

SUMMARY:

Northridge Recreation Center is located at 10058 Reseda Boulevard in the Northridge community of the City. This 24.02 acre property includes picnic areas, tennis and basketball courts, children's play area, ball diamonds, a gymnasium, and a swimming pool. Due to the facilities, features, programs, and services it provides, Northridge Recreation Center meets the standard for a Community Park, as defined in the City's Public Recreation Plan.

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Northridge Recreation Center - Playground Renovation (PRJ20783) project

Department staff has determined that the renovation of the existing children's play area and the installation of new outdoor fitness equipment is necessary for the park to continue to meet the needs of the community. It is estimated that these improvements will cost approximately \$350,000.00.

Upon approval of this report, \$147,458.25 in unexpended residual Quimby and Zone Change funds can be reallocated from the capital improvements projects listed below and allocated to the Northridge Recreation Center - Playground Renovation (PRJ20783) project. The projects listed below have all been completed and have unexpended funding remaining that is available to be reallocated to the Northridge Recreation Center - Playground Renovation (PRJ20783) project:

- \$85,361.18 in Quimby Fees, previously allocated for the Northridge Recreation Center - Swimming Pool and Bathhouse (PRJ1233A) project;
- \$59,999.90 in Zone Change Fees, previously allocated for the Northridge Recreation Center - Swimming Pool and Bathhouse (PRJ1233A) project;
- \$2,097.17 in Quimby Fees, previously allocated for the Northridge Recreation Center - New Gym Floor (PRJ90010) project.

Additionally, there is \$205,896.50 in Quimby Fees available in Quimby Fees Account No. 89460K-00 that can be transferred from Quimby Fees Account No. 89460K-00 to the Northridge Recreation Center Account No. 89460K-NT and allocated to this project.

The total Quimby and Zone Change Fees allocation for the Northridge Recreation Center - Playground Renovation (PRJ20783) project at is \$353,354.75. These Fees were collected within two (2) miles of Northridge Recreation Center, which is the standard distance for the allocation of Quimby Fees for Community Parks.

Staff has determined that the subject project will consist of modifications to existing park facilities involving negligible or no expansion of use and placement of new accessory structures. Therefore, the project is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article III, Section 1, Class 1(1,3) and Class 11(3) of the City CEQA Guidelines.

Northridge Recreation Center - Pool Improvements (PRJ20401) project

On October 9, 2009, the Board approved the allocation of \$47,577.60 in Quimby Fees for the Northridge Recreation Center - Pool Improvements (PRJ20401) project (Board Report No. 09-260). The scope of the approved Pool Improvements project included improvements to the existing swimming pool and the installation of new shade structures.

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Staff originally estimated that the project would cost approximately \$47,000.00. However, there were additional unanticipated expenses related to the demolition and removal of the old shade structures adjacent to the pool, which resulted in some additional project costs. The final cost for the swimming pool improvements and the installation of new shade structures was \$52,216.42.

Therefore, Department staff is recommending that supplemental funding be allocated to the project.

Upon approval of this report, \$4,638.82 in unexpended residual Quimby funds can be reallocated from the Northridge Recreation Center - Swimming Pool and Bathhouse (PRJ1233A) project and allocated to the Northridge Recreation Center - Pool Improvements (PRJ20401) project.

The total Quimby Fees allocation for the Northridge Recreation Center - Pool Improvements project, including previously allocated Quimby funds, is \$52,216.42. These Fees were collected within two (2) miles of Northridge Recreation Center, which is the standard distance for the allocation of Quimby Fees for Community Parks.

Staff has determined that the subject project is a continuation of an existing project approved on October 9, 2009 (Board Report No. 09-260) that is exempted from CEQA [Class 1(1)]. The work funded by the current Board action will not result in any additional environmental impacts, and therefore, is covered by the existing CEQA exemption. No additional CEQA documentation is required.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

The approval of this allocation of Quimby Fees will have no fiscal impact on the Department as the implementation of the proposed park capital improvements will not increase the level of daily maintenance required at this facility.

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 Department's General Fund.

The maintenance of the proposed park improvements can be performed by current staff with no overall impact to existing maintenance services.

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