

REPORT OF GENERAL MANAGER

NO. 15-129

DATE June 18, 2015

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BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

SUBJECT: PALISADES RECREATION CENTER – PARK IMPROVEMENTS (PRJ20904)
PROJECT - ALLOCATION OF QUIMBY FEES AND EXEMPTION FROM
THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT

R. Adams

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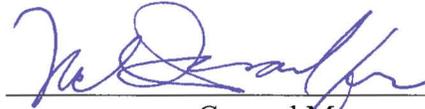
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N. Williams



General Manager

Approved _____

Disapproved _____

Withdrawn _____

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the Board:

1. Approve the scope of the Palisades Recreation Center – Park Improvements (PRJ20904) project, as described in the Summary of this Report;
2. Authorize the Department of Recreation and Parks (RAP) Chief Accounting Employee to transfer Quimby Funds in the amount of \$160,166.00 from Quimby Fees Account No. 89460K-00 to Palisades Recreation Center Account 89460K-PL;
3. Approve the allocation of \$160,166.00 in Quimby Fees from Palisades Recreation Center Account 89460K-PL for the Palisades Recreation Center – Park Improvements (PRJ20904) project, as described in the Summary of this Report; and,
4. Authorize the Department’s Chief Accounting Employee to make technical corrections as necessary to carry out the intent of this Report.

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SUMMARY:

Palisades Recreation Center is located at 851 Alma Real Drive in the Pacific Palisades area of the City. This 17.14 acre facility provides two recreation center, tennis courts, basketball courts, a children's play area, and multipurpose fields for the use of the surrounding community. Approximately 2,595 City residents live within a one-half (1/2) 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.

Department of Recreation and Parks' staff has determined that renovation of the tennis courts, park lighting and parkways, the Frontera Avenue driveway and parking area, the installation of new benches and trash cans, and the renovation of an office space area within the recreation center, are necessary and will be of benefit to the surrounding community.

Upon approval of this Report, \$160,166.00 in Quimby Fees can be transferred from the Quimby Fees Account No. 89460K-00 to the Palisades Recreation Center Account 89460K-PL and allocated to the Palisades Recreation Center – Park Improvements (PRJ20904) project.

The total Quimby Fees allocation for the Palisades Recreation Center – Park Improvements (PRJ20904) project is \$160,166.00. These Fees were collected within two (2) miles of Palisades Recreation Center, which is the standard distance for the allocation of the Quimby Fees for community recreational facilities. It is anticipated that the funds being allocated to this project are sufficient to meet the recommended project scope.

Staff has determined that the subject project will consist of modifications to existing park facilities involving negligible or no expansion of use. 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.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

The approval of this allocation of Quimby Fees will have no fiscal impact on the Department.

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 service at this facility.

This report was prepared by Darryl Ford, Principal Project Coordinator, Planning, Construction, and Maintenance Branch.