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REPORT OF GENERAL MANAGER

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BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

SUBJECT: ORCUTT RANCH – FACILITY ENHANCEMENTS (PRJ20804) PROJECT –
ALLOCATION OF QUIMBY FEES AND EXEMPTION FROM THE
CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT

R. Adams	_____	V. Israel	_____
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Neil Donaldson
General Manager

Approved _____ Disapproved _____ Withdrawn _____

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the Board:

1. Authorize the reallocation of \$31,331.06 in Quimby Fees, previously allocated for the Orcutt Ranch - Refurbishment of Buildings and Grounds (PRJ1505A) (W.O. #E170211F) and Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Access Improvements project, approved on October 20, 2010, per Board Report No. 10-279, to the Orcutt Ranch - Facility Enhancements (PRJ20804) project;
2. Approve the allocation of \$31,331.06 in Quimby Fees from the Orcutt Ranch Account No. 89460K-OR for the Orcutt Ranch - Facility Enhancements Project, as described in the Summary of this Report; and;
3. Find that the actions taken by the Board herein are exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

SUMMARY:

Orcutt Ranch is located at 23600 Roscoe Boulevard in the West Hills area of the City. This 24.10 acre facility is home to the historic Orcutt Ranch residence, ranch structures, garden, landscaping, and orchard, and is designated as Los Angeles Historic-Cultural Monument No. 31. The facility is available for rental for special events and weddings. It also features a community garden with 132 community garden plots available for rental. Due to the facilities,

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features, and services it provides, Orcutt Ranch meets the standard for a Community Park, as defined in the City's Public Recreation Plan.

Department staff has determined that the renovation of the park open space areas, including the parking lot and walkways, are necessary for the park to continue to meet the needs of the community.

On October 20, 2010, the Board approved the allocation of \$331,644.00 in Quimby Fees for the Orcutt Ranch - Refurbishment of Buildings and Grounds, ADA Access Improvements (PRJ1505A)(W.O. #170211F) project (Board Report No. 10-279). This project, which was funded with Quimby Funds and grants from Proposition K and Proposition 40, is complete and the Board approved the final acceptance of the work on November 4, 2009 (Board Report No. 09-275). There is \$31,331.06 unexpended Quimby funding available for reallocation to other projects.

Staff recommends that \$31,331.06 in unexpended Quimby funds remaining from the Refurbishment of Buildings and Grounds project be reallocated to the Orcutt Ranch - Facility Enhancements (PRJ20804) project.

The total Quimby Fees allocation for the Facility Enhancements Project at Orcutt Ranch is \$31,331.06. These Fees were collected within two (2) miles of Orcutt Ranch, which is the standard distance for the allocation of the Quimby Fees for Community Parks and recreational facilities.

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) of the City CEQA Guidelines.

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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