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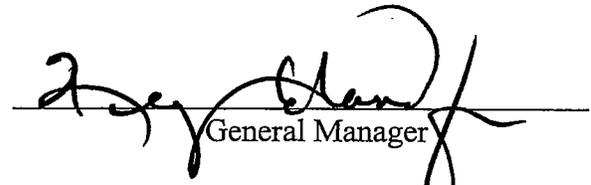
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SUBJECT: HIGHLAND PARK SENIOR CENTER – OUTDOOR PARK AREA
RENOVATION (PRJ20854) PROJECT - ALLOCATION OF QUIMBY FEES
AND EXEMPTION FROM THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL
QUALITY ACT

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General Manager

Approved _____

Disapproved _____

Withdrawn _____

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the Board:

1. Authorize the Department's Chief Accounting Employee to transfer \$50,669.00 in Quimby Fees from the Quimby Fees Account No. 89460K-00 to the Highland Park Senior Center Account No. 89460K-HE;
2. Approve the allocation of \$50,669.00 in Quimby Fees from Highland Park Senior Center Account No. 89460K-HE for the Highland Park Senior Center - Outdoor Park Area Renovation (PRJ20854) project, as described in the Summary of this Report;
3. Find that the actions taken by the Board herein are exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA); and,
4. Authorize the Department's Chief Accounting Employee to make technical corrections as necessary to carry out the intent of this Report.

SUMMARY:

Highland Park Senior Center is located at 6152 North Figueroa Street in the Highland Park area of the City. This 3.81 acre park includes a senior center building, picnic tables, rose garden, and shuffle board area. Highland Park Senior Center is smaller than the "minimum desired acreage" for a Community Park, but meets the Public Recreation Plan's definition of a Community Park as it is "designed to serve residents of all ages in several surrounding neighborhoods" and it

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features "specialized" facilities (e.g. Senior Center) that are typically found in a Community Park and that are designed to serve residents from a wide service radius.

Department staff has determined that the renovation of the outdoor park areas, including renovation of existing parking lots, landscaping, shuffleboard courts and walking paths, as well as the installation of new outdoor fitness equipment, lighting, and picnic areas is necessary and will be of benefit to park users. It is estimated that these improvements will cost approximately \$250,000.00.

Upon approval of this Report, \$50,669.00 in Quimby Fees can be transferred from the Quimby Fees Account No. 89460K-00 to the Highland Park Senior Center Account No. 89460K-HE and allocated to the Highland Park Senior Center - Outdoor Park Area Renovation (PRJ20854) project.

The total Quimby Fees allocation for the Highland Park Senior Center - Outdoor Park Area Renovation (PRJ20854) project is \$50,669.00. These Fees were collected within two miles of Highland Park Senior Center, which is the standard distance for the allocation of Quimby Fees for Community Parks. It is anticipated that the funds needed for this project exceeds the available Quimby funding, however, the identified improvements will be developed and prioritized with the community to match available funding.

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.

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.

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