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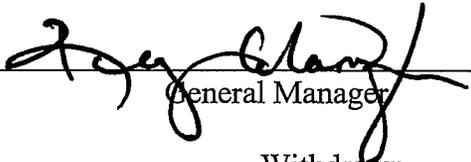
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SUBJECT: MASON PARK – BALL FIELD RENOVATION (PRJ20855) PROJECT -
ALLOCATION OF QUIMBY FEES AND EXEMPTION FROM THE
CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT

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H. Fujita	_____	N. Williams	_____



General Manager

Approved _____

Disapproved _____

Withdrawn _____

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the Board:

1. Authorize the Department's Chief Accounting Employee to transfer \$30,000.00 in Quimby Fees from the Quimby Fees Account No. 89460K-00 to the Mason Park Account No. 89460K-MA;
2. Approve the allocation of \$30,000.00 in Quimby Fees from Mason Park Account No. 89460K-MA for the Mason Park - Ball Field Renovation (PRJ20855) 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:

Mason Park is located at 10500 Mason Avenue in the Chatsworth community of the City. This 17.07 acre park includes picnic areas, ball diamonds, basketball courts, a child care center, and a gymnasium. Due to the size of the park and the facilities, features, programs, and services it

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provides, Mason Park meets the standard for a Community Park, as defined in the City's Public Recreation Plan.

Department staff has determined that the renovation and improvement of the existing ball diamond fencing at Mason Park is necessary for continued operation of the facility and for the facility to continue to meet the needs of the surrounding community.

Upon approval of this report, \$30,000.00 in Quimby Fees can be transferred from the Quimby Fees Account No. 89460K-00 to the Mason Park Account No. 89460K-MA and allocated to this project.

The total Quimby Fees allocation for the Mason Park - Ball Field Renovation (PRJ20855) project is \$30,000.00. These Fees were collected within two miles of Mason Park, which is the standard distance for the allocation of Quimby Fees for Community Parks.

Department staff has also 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(1,12) 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.