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The Department of Recreation and Parks (RAP) staff held a series of community meetings through 2014 and 2015. Stakeholders include the Westwood Neighborhood Council and Westwood Community Council. The proposed park design documents prepared by RAP staff represents a consensus reached among stakeholders that accommodates the community's needs and desires. The resulting design features include one (1) playground (for ages two (2) to five (5) years) with shade structure, outdoor fitness equipment, new game tables, new security lighting and camera, and various standard park amenities such as benches and drought tolerant plant material.

The design as presented will go out to bid using the RAP's current list of on-call New Park Facility construction contract. Construction is expected to be completed six (6) months from the notice to proceed date.

RAP staff has determined that supplemental funding will be necessary for the completion of the project. Upon approval of this Report, \$100,000.00 in Quimby Fees from the Quimby Fees Account No. 89460K-00 can be transferred to Westwood Gardens Park Account No. 89460K-W1 and allocated to the Westwood Gardens Park – Outdoor Park Improvements (PRJ20637) project. Funds are available from the following fund and account numbers:

<u>FUNDING SOURCE</u>	<u>ACCOUNT NO.</u>
Quimby Fees	89460K-W1

RAP staff has determined that the subject project is a continuation of an existing project that is exempted from CEQA [Class 1(1) and Class 11(3)]. 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.

Council District 5 and staff support this park enhancement project at Westwood Gardens Park.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

The estimated costs for the design, development, and construction of the proposed park improvements are anticipated to be funded by Quimby Fees and will have no impact on the Department's General Fund.

Once this project is completed the RAP staff will be requesting \$16,050.00 for yearly maintenance of this facility. This budget is to include part-time staff, materials, and supplies. This will provide four hours of maintenance per day, seven days a week, year round. Should

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the required funding not be granted this facility will be included in the existing Pacific Region routes, which would result in a reduction of core maintenance functions at existing routed facilities.

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