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BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

BOARD REPORT

NO. 20-239

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SUBJECT: SHADOW RANCH PARK – BALL FIELD, FENCING AND IRRIGATION (PRJ20776) PROJECT – ALLOCATION OF QUIMBY FEES – CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION FROM THE PROVISIONS OF THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) PURSUANT TO ARTICLE III, SECTION 1, CLASS 4(12) [MINOR TRENCHING AND BACKFILLING WHERE THE SURFACE IS RESTORED] OF CITY CEQA GUIDELINES AND TO ARTICLE 19, SECTION 15304(f) OF CALIFORNIA CEQA GUIDELINES

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N. Williams _____

V. Israel _____



General Manager

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Withdrawn _____

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Authorize the Department of Recreation and Parks' (RAP) Chief Accounting Employee or designee to transfer Thirty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$35,000.00) in Quimby Fees from the Quimby Fees Account No. 89460K-00 to the Shadow Ranch Park Account No. 89460K-SG;
2. Approve the allocation of Thirty-Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$35,000.00) in Quimby Fees from Shadow Ranch Park Account No. 89460K-SG for the Shadow Ranch Park – Ball Field, Fencing and Irrigation (PRJ20776) Project (Project);
3. Determine that the Project is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article III, Section 1, Class 4(12) [Minor trenching and backfilling where the surface is restored] of City CEQA Guidelines and to Article 19, Section 15304(f) of California CEQA Guidelines and direct RAP Staff to file a Notice of Exemption (NOE);
4. Authorize RAP's Chief Accounting Employee or designee to prepare a check to the Los Angeles County Clerk in the amount of \$75.00 for the purpose of filing an NOE; and,

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5. Authorize RAP staff to make technical corrections as necessary to carry out the intent of this Report.

SUMMARY

Shadow Ranch Park is located at 22633 Vanowen Street in the West Hills community of the City. This 12.03-acre park provides baseball diamonds, basketball courts, a community building, and a play area for the community. This park also features the historic Shadow Ranch House (City of Los Angeles Historic Cultural Monument No.9), which is currently used as a community center. Approximately 2,088 City residents live within one-half mile walking distance of Shadow Ranch Park. Due to the facilities, features, programs, and services it provides, Shadow Ranch Park meets the standard for a Community Park, as defined in the City's Public Recreation Plan.

PROJECT SCOPE

In Fiscal Year 2011-12, a financial review of the Proposition K bond program identified three Proposition K bond projects that had only achieved partial scope completion (Council File (C.F.) No. 12-0479-S2). One of those three partially completed Proposition K bond projects is located at Shadow Ranch Park. The scope of the Project, as specified in the Proposition K Ballot Measure, was for facility renovation, ball field improvements, fencing, and irrigation. The scope elements of that project that had not been completed included the ball field improvements, fencing, and irrigation.

In addition to the Proposition K funded ball field, fencing, and irrigation improvements, the Board of Recreation and Park Commissioners (Board) previously approved the following additional scope of work items: Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)-compliant pedestrian accessibility improvements, installation of ADA-compliant bleachers and drinking fountains, and grading of field and swale for the improvement of storm water drainage (Report Nos. 15-89 and 16-138).

RAP Staff has determined that additional funding is required in order to complete the irrigation improvements. The other scope of work items have been completed.

PROJECT FUNDING

There was Seventy-Nine Thousand, Forty Dollars and Eighty-Four Cents (\$79,040.84) in residual Proposition K funding available to complete the remaining Project scope items (C.F. No. 12-0479-S2).

Previously, the Board approved the allocation of Two Hundred Thousand (\$200,000.00) in Quimby Fees for the proposed Project.

Upon approval of this Report, Thirty Five Thousand Dollars (\$35,000.00) in Quimby Fees can be transferred from Quimby Fees Account No. 89460K-00 to the Shadow Ranch Park Account No. 89460K-SG and allocated to the Project.

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The total amount of funding for the Project including the residual Proposition K funding and previously allocated Quimby Fees is Three Hundred Fourteen Thousand, Forty Dollars and Eighty-Four Cents (\$314,040.84).

These Quimby Fees were collected within five (5) miles of Shadow Ranch Park, which is the standard distance for the allocation of Quimby Fees for community recreational facilities pursuant to Los Angeles Municipal Code Section 12.33 E.3.

FUNDING SOURCE MATRIX

Source	Fund/Dept/Acct	Amount	Percentage
Quimby Fees	302/89/89460K-SG	\$235,000.00	75%
Proposition K	43K/10/10	\$79,040.84	25%
Total		\$314,040.84	100%

PROJECT CONSTRUCTION

RAP Staff has determined that sufficient funding has been identified for the completion of Project and construction began in July 2020.

TREES AND SHADE

This Project will have no impact on the existing trees and shade at Shadow Ranch Park.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

The proposed Project consists of minor trenching and backfilling where the surface is restored. As such, RAP staff recommends that the Board determines that it is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article III, Section 1, Class 4(12) of City CEQA Guidelines as well as to Article 19, Section 15304(f) of California CEQA Guidelines. RAP Staff will file an NOE with the Los Angeles County Clerk upon the Board's approval.

FISCAL IMPACT

The approval of this allocation of Quimby Fees will have no fiscal impact on RAP's General Fund.

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 RAP's General Fund. The maintenance of the proposed park improvements can be performed by current staff with minimal impact to existing maintenance service at this facility.

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STRATEGIC PLAN INITIATIVES AND GOALS

Approval of this Board Report advances RAP's Strategic Plan by supporting:

Goal No. 1: Provide Safe and Accessible Parks

Outcome No. 2: All parks are safe and welcoming

Result: The completion of the proposed Project will enhance the park user's experience.

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