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**BOARD OF RECREATION
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BOARD REPORT

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BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

SUBJECT: STONER RECREATION CENTER – PATH OF TRAVEL IMPROVEMENTS (PRJ21362) PROJECT; ALLOCATION OF ZONE CHANGE AND QUIMBY FEES; CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION FROM THE PROVISIONS OF THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) PURSUANT TO ARTICLE III, SECTION 1, CLASS 1(1) [EXTERIOR ALTERATIONS TO AN EXISTING PUBLIC FACILITY WHERE THERE BE NEGLIGIBLE OR NO EXPANSION OF USE], CLASS 1(3) [MINOR ALTERATIONS TO EXISTING PEDESTRIAN PATHWAYS] AND CLASS 4(12) [MINOR TRENCHING AND BACKFILLING WHERE THE SURFACE IS RESTORED] OF CITY CEQA GUIDELINES AND ARTICLE 19, SECTION 15301(a), 15301(c) AND 15304(f) OF CALIFORNIA CEQA GUIDELINES

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M. Shue
General Manager

Approved X Disapproved _____ Withdrawn _____

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Approve the scope of work for the Stoner Recreation Center – Path of Travel (PRJ21362) Project (Project), as described in the summary of the Report;
2. Authorize the Department of Recreation and Parks' (RAP) Chief Accounting Employee to transfer Forty Thousand, Eight Hundred Fifty-Nine Dollars and Sixty Cents (\$40,859.60) in Zone Change Fees from Zone Change Account No. 89440K-00 to Stoner Recreation Center Account No. 89440K-SJ;
3. Authorize RAP Chief Accounting Employee to transfer Nine Thousand, One Hundred Forty Dollars and Forty Cents (\$9,140.40) in Quimby Fees from Quimby Account No. 89460K-00 to Stoner Recreation Center Account No. 89440K-SJ;
4. Approve the allocation of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) in Zone Change Fees from Stoner Recreation Center Account No. 89440K-SJ to the proposed Project;

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5. Determine that the proposed Project is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article III, Section 1, Class 1(1) [Exterior alterations to an existing public facility where there be negligible or no expansion of use], Class 1(3) [Minor alterations to existing pedestrian pathways] and Class 4(12) [Minor trenching and backfilling where the surface is restored] of City CEQA Guidelines and Article 19, Section 15301(a), 15301(c) and 15304(f) of California CEQA Guidelines
6. Authorize RAP's Chief Accounting Employee to prepare a check to the Los Angeles County Clerk in the amount of \$75.00 for the purpose of filing a Notice of Exemption (NOE); and,
7. Authorize RAP's Chief Accounting Employee to make technical corrections as necessary to carry out the intent of this Report.

SUMMARY

Stoner Recreation Center is located at 1835 Stoner Avenue in the West Los Angeles community of the City. This 8.65-acre facility provides a variety of services and programs to the surrounding community, including baseball, basketball, football, soccer, ballet, science and senior programs. Stoner Recreation Center also includes both a swimming pool and a playground. Approximately 11,928 City residents live within a one-half mile walking distance of Stoner Recreation Center. Due to the facilities, features, programs, and services it provides, Stoner Recreation Center meets the standard for a Community Park, as defined in the City's Public Recreation Plan.

PROJECT SCOPE

The proposed Project consists of improvements to the existing fencing, pathways and irrigation, on the north side of the park adjacent to the Public Right of Way.

The Department of Public Works, Bureau of Street Services is working on a separate but related project in the Public Right of Way that will connect with the Project.

PROJECT FUNDING

Upon approval of this Report, Forty Thousand, Eight Hundred Fifty-Nine Dollars and Sixty Cents (\$40,859.60) in Zone Change Fees can be transferred from Zone Change Account No. 89440K-00 to Stoner Recreation Center Account No. 89440K-SJ.

Upon approval of this Report, Nine Thousand, One Hundred Forty Dollars and Forty Cents (\$9,140.40) in Quimby Fees can be transferred from Quimby Account No. 89460K-00 to Stoner Recreation Center Account No. 89440K-SJ.

Upon approval of this Report, Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) in Zone Change Fees can be allocated from the Stoner Recreation Center Account No. 89440K-SJ to the proposed Project.

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These Zone Change Fees were collected within five (5) miles of Stoner Recreation Center, which is the standard distance for the allocation of the Zone Change 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
Zone Change Fees	302/89/89440K-SJ	\$50,000.00	100%
Total		\$50,000.00	100%

PROJECT CONSTRUCTION

RAP Staff has determined that sufficient funding has been identified and construction of proposed Project is anticipated to begin in August 2020.

TREES AND SHADE

The approval of this project will have no impact on existing trees or shade at Stoner Recreation Center

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

The proposed Project consists of exterior alterations to an existing public facility where there be negligible or no expansion of use, minor alterations to existing pedestrian pathways and minor trenching and backfilling where the surface is restored. As such RAP staff recommends that the Board of Recreation and Park Commissioners (Board) determines that it is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article III, Section 1, Class 1(1), Class 1(3) and Class 4(12) of City CEQA Guidelines and Article 19, Sections 15301(a), 15301(c) and 15304(f) of California CEQA Guidelines. An NOE will be filed with the Los Angeles County Clerk upon the Board's approval.

FISCAL IMPACT

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

The estimated costs for the design, development, and construction of the proposed park improvements are anticipated to be funded by Zone Change Fees or funding sources other than the 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 improvements to existing pathways and fencing will increase safety and enhance the park users' experience.

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