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BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

BOARD REPORT

NO. 20-201

DATE October 15, 2020

C.D. 14

BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

SUBJECT: HAZARD PARK – BLEACHER REPLACEMENT (PRJ21428) PROJECT – ALLOCATION OF QUIMBY FEES – CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION FROM THE PROVISIONS OF THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) PURSUANT TO ARTICLE III, SECTION 1, CLASS 1(3) [MINOR ALTERATIONS TO EXISTING PEDESTRIAN TRAILS] AND CLASS 2 [REPLACEMENT OF AN EXISTING STRUCTURE WHERE THE NEW STRUCTURE WILL BE LOCATED ON THE SAME SITE AND HAVE SUBSTANTIALLY THE SAME PURPOSE AND CAPACITY AS THE STRUCTURE REPLACED] OF CITY CEQA GUIDELINES AND ARTICLE 19, SECTION 15301(c) AND SECTION 15303 OF CALIFORNIA CEQA GUIDELINES

AP Diaz _____ S. Piña-Cortez _____
H. Fujita _____ *C. Santo Domingo DF _____
V. Israel _____ N. Williams _____

M. Slue

General Manager

Approved X Disapproved _____ Withdrawn _____

RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1. Approve the scope of work for the Hazard Park – Bleacher Replacement (PRJ21428) Project (Project), as described in the Summary of this Report;
2. Authorize the Department of Recreation and Parks' (RAP) Chief Accounting Employee to transfer Fifty-Two Thousand Dollars (\$52,000.00) in Quimby Fees from the Quimby Fees Account No. 89460K-00 to the Hazard Park Account No. 89460K-HZ;
3. Approve the allocation of Fifty-Two Thousand Dollars (\$52,000.00) in Quimby Fees from Hazard Park Account No. 89460K-HZ for the Hazard Park – Bleacher Replacement (PRJ21428) Project;

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4. 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(3) [Minor alterations to existing pedestrian trails] and Class 2 [Replacement of an existing structure where the new structure will be located on the same site and have substantially the same purpose and capacity as the structure replaced] of City CEQA Guidelines and Article 19, Section 15301(c) and Section 15303 of California CEQA Guidelines and direct RAP staff to file a Notice of Exemption (NOE);
5. 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 an NOE; and,
6. Authorize RAP staff to make technical corrections as necessary to carry out the intent of this Report.

SUMMARY

Hazard Park is located at 2230 Norfolk Street in the Lincoln Heights community of the City. This is 24.99-acre facility provides basketball courts, children's play areas, ball diamonds, a skate park, and a recreation center. Approximately 8,589 residents live within a one-half mile walking distance of Hazard Park. Due to the facilities and features it provides, Hazard Park meets the standard for a Community Park, as defined in the City's Public Recreation Plan.

PROJECT SCOPE

The proposed Hazard Park – Bleacher Replacement (PRJ21428) Project includes the replacement of the wooden bleachers with new aluminum bleachers and path of travel improvements.

The Office of Council District 14 is in support of this Project.

PROJECT FUNDING

Previously, the Los Angeles City Council approved the use of Ninety Three Thousand Four Hundred Two Dollars in AB1290 Funds for the replacement of the bleachers (C.F. #20-0371).

Upon approval of this Report, Fifty-Two Thousand Dollars (\$52,000.00) in Quimby Fees can be transferred from Quimby Fees Account No. 89460K-00 to the Hazard Park Account No. 89460K-HZ and allocated to the Hazard Park – Bleacher Replacement (PRJ21428) Project.

The total amount of funding available for the proposed Project is One Hundred Forty-Five Thousand, Four Hundred Two Dollars (\$145,402.00).

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These Quimby Fees were collected within five (5) miles of Hazard 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
AB1290 Funds	302/89/89270K-HZ	\$93,402.00	64%
Quimby Fees	302/89/89460K-HZ	\$52,000.00	36%
Total		\$145,402.00	100%

PROJECT CONSTRUCTION

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

TREES AND SHADE

This proposed Project will have no impact on the existing trees and shade at Hazard Park.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

The proposed Project consists of minor alterations to existing pedestrian trails and the replacement of an existing structure where the new structure will be located on the same site and have substantially the same purpose and capacity as the structure replaced. RAP staff recommends that the Board of Recreation and Park Commissioners (Board) determines that it is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article III, Section 1, Class 1(3) and Class 2 of City CEQA Guidelines and Article 19, Section 15301(c) and Section 15303 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 replacement of the bleachers and path of travel improvements will enhance safety and the park user's experience.

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