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## BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

BOARD REPORT

NO. 20-202

DATE October 15, 2020

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SUBJECT: SOUTH PARK RECREATION CENTER – SECURITY CAMERAS (PRJ21439) PROJECT – CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION FROM THE PROVISIONS OF THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) PURSUANT TO ARTICLE III, SECTION 1, CLASS 3(4) [INSTALLATION OF NEW EQUIPMENT REQUIRED FOR SAFETY AND PUBLIC CONVENIENCE INVOLVING NEGLIGIBLE OR NO EXPANSION OF USE] OF CITY CEQA GUIDELINES AND ARTICLE 19, SECTION 15303 OF CALIFORNIA CEQA GUIDELINES

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General Manager

Approved   X  

Disapproved \_\_\_\_\_

Withdrawn \_\_\_\_\_

### RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Approve the scope of work for the South Park Recreation Center – Security Cameras (PRJ21439) Project (Project), as described in the Summary of this Report;
2. 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 3(4) [Installation of new equipment required for safety and public convenience involving negligible or no expansion of use] of City CEQA Guidelines as well as to Article 19, Section 15303 of California CEQA Guidelines and direct Department of Recreation and Parks (RAP) staff to file a Notice of Exemption (NOE);
3. 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,
4. Authorize RAP staff to make technical corrections as necessary to carry out the intent of this Report.

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### SUMMARY

South Park Recreation Center is located at 375 East 51st Street in the South Los Angeles community of the City. This 18.25-acre park features a gymnasium, swimming pool, basketball and tennis courts, a ball diamond and turf field, a synthetic turf field, an outdoor stage, outdoor fitness area, picnic tables, and children's play areas. Approximately 21,527 City residents live within a one-half mile walking distance of South Park Recreation Center.

### PROJECT SCOPE

The proposed South Park Recreation Center – Security Cameras (PRJ21439) Project includes installation of security cameras and related electrical improvements. These security cameras would be located near the amphitheater and on the northside of the gymnasium building.

The Office of Council District 9 is in support of this Project.

### PROJECT FUNDING

Previously, the Los Angeles City Council approved a motion to reprogram One Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$150,000.00) in Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Funds from the 2019-20 Program Year 45 for the South Park Recreation Center – Security Cameras (PRJ21439) Project (C.F. #18-0968-S1).

### FUNDING SOURCE MATRIX

| <b>Source</b>   | <b>Fund/Dept/Acct</b> | <b>Amount</b> | <b>Percentage</b> |
|-----------------|-----------------------|---------------|-------------------|
| CDBG PY45 Funds | TBD                   | \$150,000.00  | 100%              |
| <b>Total</b>    |                       | \$150,000.00  | 100%              |

### PROJECT CONSTRUCTION

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

### TREES AND SHADE

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

### ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

The proposed Project consists of installation of new equipment required for safety and public convenience involving negligible or no expansion of use. As such, 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

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III, Section 1, Class 3(4) of City CEQA Guidelines and Article 19, 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 estimated costs for the design, development, and construction of the proposed park improvements are anticipated to be funded by CDBG Funds 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.

### 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 installation of security cameras will enhance safety and the park user's experience.

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