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BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

BOARD REPORT

NO. 21-010

DATE January 21, 2021

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SUBJECT: SYLMAR PARK – RESTROOM INSTALLATION (PRJ21469) PROJECT – CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION FROM THE PROVISIONS OF THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) PURSUANT TO ARTICLE III, SECTION 1, CLASS 11(3) [CONSTRUCTION OR PLACEMENT OF RESTROOM AND WALKS ACCESSORY TO EXISTING INSTITUTIONAL FACILITIES] OF CITY CEQA GUIDELINES AND TO ARTICLE 19, SECTION 15311 OF CALIFORNIA CEQA GUIDELINES

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V. Israel N. Williams

M. Sluss
General Manager

Approved X Disapproved Withdrawn

RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1. Approve the scope of work for the Sylmar Park – Restroom Installation (PRJ21469) 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 11(3) [construction or placement of restrooms and walks accessory to existing institutional facilities] of City CEQA Guidelines and to Article 19, Section 15311 of California CEQA Guidelines and direct Department of Recreation and Parks (RAP) Staff to file a Notice of Exemption (NOE) with the Los Angeles County Clerk;
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

Sylmar Park is located at 13109 Borden Avenue in the Sylmar community of the City. This 19.78-acre facility provides multipurpose fields, tennis courts, a swimming pool, a play area, and recreation centers for the surrounding community. Approximately 6,307 City residents live within a half-mile walking distance of Sylmar Park.

PROJECT SCOPE

The scope of the proposed Project includes the construction of a new, prefabricated restroom near the soccer field and path-of-travel improvements. The restroom will have two stalls and a footprint of 7.5 feet by 18 feet.

PROJECT FUNDING

Previously, the Los Angeles City Council approved a motion to reprogram (\$663,847.00) in Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Funds from the 2020-21 Program Year 46 for the proposed Project (C.F. #19-1204).

FUNDING SOURCE MATRIX

Source	Fund/Dept/Acct	Amount	Percentage
CDBG PY46 Funds	424/43/43T520	\$663,847.00	100%
Total		\$663,847.00	100%

PROJECT CONSTRUCTION

It is unknown at this time if there is sufficient funding and when construction is anticipated to begin.

TREES AND SHADE

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

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

The proposed Project consists of the installation and construction of minor structures accessory to an existing public facility. As such, RAP staff recommends that the Board of Recreation and Park Commissioners determines that it is categorically exempt from the provisions of (CEQA) pursuant to Article III, Section 1, Class 11(3) of City CEQA Guidelines and Article 19, Section 15311 of California CEQA Guidelines. RAP Staff will file an NOE with the Los Angeles County Clerk upon the Board's approval.

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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 the additional restroom will enhance the park user's experience.

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