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SUBJECT: VAN NUYS/SHERMAN OAKS PARK - FIELD IMPROVEMENT PROJECT (W.O. #E170269F) - FINAL PLANS AND CALL FOR BIDS

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RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board:

- 1. Approve the final plans and specifications for the Van Nuys/Sherman Oaks Park Field Improvement (W.O.#E170269F) project;
- 2. Approve the reduction in the value of work that the specifications require to be performed by the Prime Contractor from 50% to 20% of the Base Bid price; and,
- 3. Approve the date for receipt of bids to be advertised as Tuesday, May 5, 2009 at 3:00 P.M. in the Board Office.

SUMMARY:

Submitted are final plans and specifications for the Van Nuys/Sherman Oaks Park – Field Improvement project, located at 14201 W. Huston Street, Los Angeles, CA 91423. This project is a Proposition K Year 12 project. The Bureau of Engineering, Architectural Division prepared the plans for this project, with an estimated construction cost of \$1,200,000.

The Van Nuys/Sherman Oaks Park - Field Improvement project consists of improvements to the athletic fields, namely the soccer and baseball fields. The project proposes to re-grade approximately seven (7) acres of the park, where the soccer fields are located, to eliminate a large curvature in the field, so as to produce a level playing field and maximize the usable play area. Part of the re-grading project will also involve the replacement of the existing irrigation system with a

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new, "smart" irrigation system. Baseball field improvements will include new wooden backstops, removal of concrete block walls, and new shade roofs at the dugouts. New permanent bleachers will be installed at four (4) of the baseball fields. In addition, new permanent benches will be installed along various locations along the walking/jogging trail around the park.

Funds for construction are available for the proposed improvements in Proposition K Year 11 and Year 12 funds.

Funding Source	Fund/Dept./Acct
Proposition K Year 11	43K/10/C810
Proposition K Year 12	43K/10/E810

The reduction in the value of work required by Prime Contractor from 50% to 20% will potentially attract more bidders and possibly produce more favorable bids.

Staff has determined that the subject project will consist of renovations to existing sports fields including grading on elevations less than 10% slope, new turf, trenching and backfilling for upgrades to irrigation, and placement of accessory structures. Therefore, the proposed project is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article III, Section 1(a), Class 1 (12); Section 1(c), Class 3 (6); and, Section 1(d), Class 4 (1, 3, and 12) of the City CEQA Guidelines. A Notice of Exemption was filed with the Los Angeles City Clerk's office on May 26, 1998, and posted by the County Clerk's office on May 26, 1998 until June 26, 1998.

The bid package has been approved by the City Attorney's office.

Council District 2 and Department of Recreation and Parks Valley Region staff support the recommendations set forth in this report.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

There is no immediate fiscal impact to the Department's General Fund. The assessments of the future operations and maintenance costs have yet to be determined and will be addressed in future budget requests.

This report was prepared by Gary Lam, Project Manager. Reviewed by Neil Drucker, Program Manager, Recreational and Cultural Facilities Program, Bureau of Engineering; Deborah Weintraub, Chief Deputy City Engineer, Bureau of Engineering; and by Michael A. Shull, Superintendent, Planning and Development Division, Department of Recreation and Parks.