#### SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA

BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS
OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES

Wednesday, October 9, 2009 at 1:35 p.m. or as soon thereafter as the Commission recesses its Special Meeting noticed for 1:30 p.m.

EXPO Center (Formerly Known As L.A. Swim Stadium)
Community Hall Room
3980 S. Menlo Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90037

(Parking located in "Lot 1", at the corner of Martin Luther King Boulevard and Menlo Street)

EVERY PERSON WISHING TO ADDRESS THE COMMISSION MUST COMPLETE A SPEAKER'S REQUEST FORM AT THE MEETING  $\underline{PRIOR}$  TO THE BOARD'S CONSIDERATION OF THE ITEM AND SUBMIT IT TO THE COMMISSION EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT.

PURSUANT TO COMMISSION POLICY, COMMENTS BY THE PUBLIC ON AGENDA ITEMS WILL BE HEARD ONLY AT THE TIME THE RESPECTIVE ITEM IS CONSIDERED, FOR A CUMULATIVE TOTAL OF UP TO FIFTEEN (15) MINUTES FOR EACH ITEM. ALL REQUESTS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS MUST BE SUBMITTED PRIOR TO THE BOARD'S CONSIDERATION OF THE ITEM. EACH SPEAKER WILL BE GRANTED TWO MINUTES, WITH FIFTEEN (15) MINUTES TOTAL ALLOWED FOR PUBLIC PRESENTATION.

#### 1. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORTS:

- Master Joint-Use Agreements and Site-Specific Joint-Use Agreements with the Los Angeles Unified School District of Los Angeles County (District) for South Region Senior High School No. 15 and Virgil Middle School for Proposition K and Parks First Trust Fund Competitive Grant Program Proposed Projects Applied for by the District
- O9-257 Cooperation Agreement with the Community Redevelopment Agency of the City of Los Angeles (CRA/LA) to Provide Funding up to \$5,000,000 for Park Improvement Services and Related Property Acquisitions and for the Department of Recreation and Parks to Provide up to \$5,000,000 for Technical and Professional Services to Coordinate and Develop Public Park Improvement Projects in Various CRA/LA Redevelopment Project Areas
- 09-258 Council District 1 Quimby/Park Fees Plan for Projects and Allocation Program
- 09-259 Council District 3 Quimby/Park Fees Plan for Projects and Allocation Program

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09-260	Council District 12 - Quimby/Park Fees Plan for Projects
	and Allocation Program

- Board Policy on Partnerships 09-261
- Exposition Park Amendment to Operating Agreement with 09-262 State of California

#### NEXT MEETING: 2.

The next scheduled meeting of the Board of Recreation and Park Commissioners will be held on Wednesday, October 21, 2009 at 9:30 a.m., at Mar Vista Recreation Center, 11430 Woodbine Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90066.

#### ADJOURNMENT: 5.

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## **RECOMMENDATION**:

That the Board:

- 1. Approve the two (2) proposed Master Joint Use Agreements (Proposition K and Parks First Trust) and two (2) Site-Specific Joint Use Agreements, substantially in the form on file in the Board Office, between the City and the Los Angeles Unified School District of Los Angeles County (District);
- 2. Authorize the Board Secretary to transmit forthwith the approved Master and Site-Specific Joint Use Agreements concurrently to the to the City Attorney for review as to form, and to the Mayor in accordance with Executive Directive No. 3, with a request for an expedited review; and,
- 3. Authorize the Board President and Secretary to execute the Agreements upon obtaining the required approvals.

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#### **SUMMARY:**

District has applied for grants for one (1) senior high school and one (1) middle school under the seventh cycle of the Proposition K competitive grant program and first cycle of the Parks First Trust Fund grant program, respectively. District has applied for grant funding in the amounts listed below to fund the specified outdoor improvements at the following school sites:

- 1) <u>South Region High School No. 15</u> 3200 South Alma Street, San Pedro 90731 (CD15) Proposition-K: \$500,000 for the installation of a synthetic surface multipurpose field.
- 2) <u>Virgil Middle School</u> 152 North Vermont Avenue, Los Angeles, 90004 (CD13) Parks First Trust Fund: \$984,542 to install field lighting around the school's tennis court area.

Both projects have public recreation benefits. The City is to have joint use of the outdoor amenities, adjacent parking lot, and restrooms at each school.

Under the proposed joint-use agreements, from Monday through Friday when the schools are in session, the District's period of use of the joint-use areas shall be from 6:00 am to 6:00 pm. Following are the proposed hours of public use: 6:00 pm to 9:30 pm Monday through Friday; 8:00 am to 9:30 pm on Saturday; and 12:00 pm to 5:00 pm on Sunday. On days when the schools are not in session, such as summers and holidays, the City may use the joint-use areas provided they are not required for prescheduled District athletic practices and competitions or other school related activities. The City may seek to use the joint-use areas at other times if it wishes, subject to the provisions of the District's Civic Center Permit process.

The proposed Site-Specific Joint-Use Agreement for South Region High School No. 15 is accompanied by a Proposition K Master Agreement containing general conditions and responsibilities affecting the District and the City as public entities. The proposed Site-Specific Joint-Use Agreement for Virgil Middle School is accompanied by a Master Joint-Use Agreement subject to the requirements of the City's Parks First Trust Fund grant program. Both Master Joint-Use Agreements contain similar to identical general terms and conditions.

The proposed Agreements become operational if and only if the District receives the requested grant funding. The respective term of each agreement is subject to the term contained in the required Grant Agreement for each grant program. In the past, the typical length of the required "term of service repayment" for this type of project has been 15 years. The terms and conditions of these proposed Agreements are similar to the terms of other Joint-Use Agreements executed during the preceding competitive cycle of the Proposition K program in response to the District's grant applications.

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Staff has determined that the proposed Proposition K and Parks First Trust Fund grant program projects and the associated Joint Use Agreements with District will not result in any additional environmental impacts beyond those impacts already considered in Environmental Impact Reports (EIR) at each of the proposed school sites. In addition, the third Proposition K-funded project has been previously evaluated and approved under CEQA, but will involve a new Joint Use Agreement.

The proposed multipurpose synthetic surface athletic field at the new South Region High School No. 15 site would be substituted for the proposed natural turf fields, and would not result in any additional environmental impacts. Therefore, staff finds that the EIR certified by District on December 9, 2008 for the South Region High School No. 15 Project is adequate for approval of the proposed multipurpose synthetic surface field and the associated Joint Use Agreement, and no additional CEQA documentation is required.

The proposed lighting for the tennis courts at the new Virgil Middle School athletic field was determined to have a less than significant environmental impact in the EIR certified by DISTRICT on December 9, 2008 for the Central Region Elementary School (CRES) No. 20 Project. Therefore, Staff finds that the EIR is adequate for approval of the proposed court lighting and the associated Joint Use Agreement, and no additional CEQA documentation is required.

The Acting Assistant General Manager of Operations East, the Assistant General Manager of Operations West and the Superintendents of the Metro and Pacific Regions concur with staff's recommendations.

## **FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:**

There is no anticipated initial impact to the Department's General Fund related to the proposed projects. If the District does not receive full funding, it would seek out additional funding sources to supplement the grant amount received in this grant cycle, or if necessary, reduce the scope of work or postpone the project.

However, it is unknown at present what the annual City cost will be for staffing and maintenance because the total number of hours of City use will vary according to the programming needs of the schools. Specific schedules are to be negotiated twice a year. To the extent that the District receives grant funding and the proposed improvements to the joint-use areas are completed, Department staff will prepare a budget request for the costs of the related joint-use activity.

This report was prepared by Joel Alvarez, Senior Management Analyst, Real Estate and Asset Management Section.

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## **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

That the Board:

1. Approve the proposed Cooperation Agreement (Agreement), substantially in the form on file in the Board Office, for a term of three years with an option to renew for two additional one-year periods, subject to approval by the Mayor and the City Attorney as to form, between the Department of Recreation and Parks (Department) and the Community Redevelopment Agency of Los Angeles (CRA/LA) to provide up to \$5,000,000 in CRA/LA to Department for the acquisition and/or improvement of Department managed and controlled parks within CRA project areas, and for Department to provide up to \$5,000,000 in RAP funds for technical and professional services provided to the Department by CRA/LA contractors for park acquisition and development and improvement projects in various CRA/LA redevelopment project areas, as may be required on an as-needed basis;

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- 2. Direct the Chief Accounting Employee to designate an appropriate fund and account into which to deposit CRA/LA funds designated for specific projects, as received, pursuant to the terms and conditions of the proposed Agreement;
- 3. Authorize staff to access the subject funds from the designated accounts on an as-needed basis for purposes of park acquisition and improvement projects in CRA/LA redevelopment project areas;
- 4. Authorize staff to expend funds on an as needed basis from accounts to be identified in the future, not to exceed \$5 million, for professional services provided by CRA/LA contractors to assist the Department in acquiring and improving Department managed and controlled parks in CRA/LA redevelopment project areas;
- 5. Direct the Board Secretary to transmit the proposed Agreement concurrently to the Mayor pursuant to Executive Directive No. 3 and the City Attorney for review and approval as to form; and,
- 6. Authorize the General Manager to execute the approved Agreement upon obtaining all required approvals.

## **SUMMARY:**

The proposed action will enable the Department and CRA/LA to carry out activities beneficial to both organizations utilizing resources of the two entities in a cooperative manner. Under the proposed Agreement, CRA/LA will compensate Department for the cost of park improvement services such as grading, irrigation, planting, paving and construction of fences, retaining walls and gazebos, as requested by CRA/LA for Department managed and controlled park acquisition, development and improvement projects within CRA/LA redevelopment project areas. The Department possesses the equipment, skilled journeymen, and experience in delivering such improvements and services, as well as contracts with various vendors who provide similar and related services. The CRA/LA possesses or has contracted with professional and technical staff and resources that would otherwise not be immediately available to the Department. Engaging the Department and CRA/LA to expedite the work on an as-needed basis instead of soliciting bids each time a project or need arises will facilitate and expedite the completion of such park improvement projects.

Under the proposed Agreement, all projects and related funding expenditures shall be subject to applicable approval processes and procedures as required by Department and CRA/LA normal protocol, including the Work Order process described in the proposed Agreement, as well as environmental analysis under CEQA and required statutory findings, including those required under Section 33445 of the California Redevelopment Law regarding the funding of public improvements.

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This Agreement will also enable Department to procure land use, real estate, civil, structural, environmental, architectural, landscape, geotechnical, and other professional consultation services from and through the CRA/LA Engineering Department, provided by CRA/LA staff or by outside consultants from the CRA/LA's existing pre-qualified pool of consultants, subject to the existing contracting authority under such established pool. The Agreement will also allow CRA/LA to provide Department with Brownfield-related services including environmental investigations, risk assessment, remedial action planning, remediation and regulatory assistance. This Agreement will also enable the Department to procure acquisition-related technical assistance from CRA/LA which possesses the means and expertise in property and environmental assessments, land title, property reuse assessments, market analysis, pro forma analysis, appraisal, relocation and escrow when Department acquires real properties for public parks in redevelopment project areas.

The Department in turn will provide up to \$5 million worth of park development related services to the CRA/LA that would otherwise not be readily available to them, such as but not limited to grading, irrigation and lighting design and installation, electrical, mechanical, plumbing, maintenance, and landscaping design and services for Department parks in CRA/LA redevelopment project areas.

#### FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

At this time, there is no impact to the Department's general fund as specific projects and/or improvements have yet to be identified. Department could expend up to \$5 million from funding to be specified for professional services related to acquisition and improvement of park projects; however, all expenditures will be individually authorized prior to being made.

This report was prepared by Joel Alvarez, Senior Management Analyst, Real Estate and Asset Management Section, Planning and Construction Division.

REPORT OF GENERAL MANAGER	NO. 09-258
DATE October 9, 2009	C.D1

#### BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

SUBJECT: COUNCIL DISTRICT 1 - QUIMBY/PARK FEES PLAN FOR PROJECTS AND ALLOCATION PROGRAM

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#### RECOMMENDATIONS:

#### That the Board:

- 1. Take the following action regarding Alpine Recreation Center Building and Outdoor Park Improvements:
  - A. Approve the allocation of \$42,043.58 in Subdivision/Quimby Fees, from Alpine Recreation Center Account No. 460K-AL for the Alpine Recreation Center Building and Outdoor Park Improvements project at Alpine Recreation Center, as described in the Summary of this report.
- 2. Take the following actions regarding Downey Recreation Center Pool Replacement:
  - A. Authorize the Department's Chief Accounting Employee to transfer \$325,000.22 in Subdivision/Quimby Fees, which were collected in Fiscal Year 2005-2006, from the Subdivision/Quimby Fees Account No. 460K-00 to the Downey Recreation Center Account No. 460K-DY; and,
  - B. Approve the allocation of \$325,000.22 in Subdivision/Quimby Fees, from Downey Recreation Center Account No. 460K-DY for the Pool Replacement project at Downey Recreation Center, as described in the Summary of this report.

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- 3. Take the following action regarding Echo Park Deep Pool Building Improvements:
  - A. Approve the allocation of \$55,644.95 in Subdivision/Quimby Fees, from Echo Park Deep Pool Account No. 460K-EP for the Building Improvements project at Echo Park Deep Pool, as described in the Summary of this report.
- 4. Take the following actions regarding Lincoln Park Pool and Bathhouse Replacement:
  - A. Authorize the Department's Chief Accounting Employee to transfer \$321,131.00 in Subdivision/Quimby Fees, which were collected in Fiscal Year 2005-2006, from the Subdivision/Quimby Fees Account No. 460K-00 to the Lincoln Park Account No. 460K-MS; and,
  - B. Approve the allocation of \$321,459.36 in Subdivision/Quimby Fees, from Lincoln Park Account No. 460K-MS for the Pool and Bathhouse Replacement project at Lincoln Park, as described in the Summary of this report.
- 5. Take the following action regarding MacArthur Park Outdoor Park Improvements:
  - A. Approve the allocation of \$740.98 in Subdivision/Quimby Fees, from MacArthur Park Account No. 460K-MD for the Outdoor Park Improvements project at MacArthur Park, as described in the Summary of this report.
- 6. Take the following actions regarding Sycamore Grove Park Outdoor Park Improvements:
  - A. Authorize the Department's Chief Accounting Employee to transfer \$32,859.00 in Subdivision/Quimby Fees, which were collected in Fiscal Year 2005-2006, from the Subdivision/Quimby Fees Account No. 460K-00 to the Sycamore Grove Park Account No. 460K-S8;
  - B. Authorize the Department's Chief Accounting Employee to transfer \$20,488.00 in Subdivision/Quimby Fees, which were collected in Fiscal Year 2006-2007, from the Subdivision/Quimby Fees Account No. 460K-00 to the Sycamore Grove Park Account No. 460K-S8; and,
  - C. Approve the allocation of \$61,365.35 in Subdivision/Quimby Fees, from Sycamore Grove Park Account No. 460K-S8 for the Outdoor Park Improvements project at Sycamore Grove Park, as described in the Summary of this report.

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#### **SUMMARY:**

## **Program History**

Former State legislator, John P. Quimby, recognized that recreation and park facilities and programs reduce crime, enhance property values and improve the quality of life in our neighborhood and communities. They provide positive alternatives for youth, families and senior citizens which are needed in a large, urban metropolis. Mr. Quimby initiated State legislation, which permitted cities and counties to require the dedication of land, or the payment of a fee, as a condition of local residential tract map approval (subdivisions). The City of Los Angeles implemented the Subdivision (Quimby) Fees Trust in 1971 (Ordinance 141,422). The City Planning Department calculates fees for affected subdivisions and zone changes.

The Zone Change Park Fee was originated by the late City Councilmember Howard Finn. The Zone Change Ordinance was approved in 1985. This law applies only to the finalization of Zone Changes for multiple residential projects. The fee schedule for Zone Change is exactly the same as for Quimby.

Some residential development does not pay either Quimby or Zone Change park fees, paying only a small fee called the Dwelling Unit Construction Tax (\$200 per unit) which goes into the City's Sites and Facilities Fund.

The Department may use Quimby and Zone Change/Park Fees for capital park improvements only, including the acquisition of land, design/construction of park and recreational improvements, and park rehabilitation projects. Currently, Quimby and Zone Change/Park fees may not fund expenses for park operations, materials and supplies, or equipment.

Allocations are made within one mile of a park facility for neighborhood parks and two miles for community parks from the point of collection to ensure that residents of the new residential projects benefit from the facilities their funds helped to create or improve. This distance represents a recommended service radius for neighborhood and community facilities outlined in the Public Recreation Plan of the City's General Plan. In addition, funds typically remain in the Council District in which they were collected.

#### **Program Process**

Efforts to update and modernize the Quimby planning and expenditure process have resulted in this list of projects for Council District 1. This Plan and Allocation Program reflects the projects identified by Department staff, infrastructure needs, the community, as well as the Councilmember and staff.

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As a result of these discussions and input, a consensus for the proposed Quimby/Park Fees Plan for projects in Council District 1 has been determined. The Plan will use the Subdivision Fees Trust Account (Quimby) and the Zone Change Park Fees Trust Account (Zone Change).

The following projects for Council District 1 have been identified:

- Alpine Recreation Center Building and Outdoor Park Improvements
- Downey Recreation Center Pool Replacement
- Echo Park Deep Pool Building Improvements
- Lincoln Park Pool and Bathhouse Replacement
- MacArthur Park Outdoor Park Improvements
- Sycamore Grove Park Outdoor Park Improvements

The majority of the projects listed above are scheduled to be completed within the next six to twelve months; depending on available staffing and resources.

# Alpine Recreation Center - Building and Outdoor Park Improvements

Alpine Recreation Center is located at 817 Yale Street in the Chinatown community of the City. This 1.94 acre facility includes basketball courts, a children's play area, a small open space area, and a gymnasium. Due to the facilities, features, programs, and services it provides, Alpine Recreation Center meets the standard for a Neighborhood Park; as defined in the City's Public Recreation Plan.

Department staff has determined that improvements to the existing recreation center building, as well as to the outdoor park areas, including basketball courts, turf, landscape, and irrigation infrastructure, and related site improvements, will benefit the surrounding community. It is estimated these building and outdoor improvements will cost approximately \$40,000.

Currently, \$42,043.58 is available in the Alpine Recreation Center Account No. 460K-AL.

The total Subdivision/Quimby Fees allocation for the Building and Outdoor Park Improvements project at Alpine Recreation Center is \$42,043.58. These Fees were collected within one mile of Alpine Recreation Center, which is the standard distance for the allocation of the Subdivision/Quimby Fees for neighborhood recreational facilities.

Staff has determined that the subject project will consist of modifications to existing park facilities involving negligible or no expansion of use and minor alterations to land including new landscaping. Therefore, the project is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article III, Section 1, Class 1(1) and Class 4(3) of the City CEQA Guidelines.

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## **Downey Recreation Center - Pool Replacement**

The scope of the Downey Pool Replacement project includes the demolition and replacement of the existing pool, deck, and equipment at Downey Recreation Center. Department staff has determined that supplemental funding for the Downey Pool - Replacement Project (W.O. #E1906491) is necessary for the completion of this project. The Bureau of Engineering estimates that \$325,000 in the supplemental funding will be needed.

Upon approval of this report, Subdivision/Quimby Fees listed below can be transferred to Downey Recreation Center Account No. 460K-DY for the Pool Replacement project at Downey Recreation Center:

• \$325,000.22 in Subdivision/Quimby Fees, which were collected in Fiscal Year 2005-2006, from the Subdivision/Quimby Fees Account No. 460K-00

The total Subdivision/Quimby Fees allocation for the Account Balance Adjustment at Downey Recreation Center is \$325,000.22. These Fees were collected within two miles of Downey Recreation Center, which is the standard distance for the allocation of the Subdivision/Quimby Fees for community recreational facilities.

Staff has determined that the subject project was previously found to be exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article III, Section 1, Class I(1) and Class 2(5) of the City CEQA Guidelines when the project was approved (Board Report No. 09-029).

#### Echo Park Deep Pool - Building Improvements

Echo Park Deep Pool is located at 1419 Colton Street in the Echo Park area of the City. This 2.07 acre park provides a swimming pool and aquatic programs for the surrounding community. Due to the facilities, features, programs, and services it provides, Echo Park Deep Pool meets the standard for a Community Park, as defined in the City's Public Recreation Plan.

Department staff has determined that improvements to the pool and bathhouse building, including upgrades to the pool recirculation systems, and outdoor improvements, including new signage, are necessary for the continued operation of the facility and will benefit the surrounding community. It is estimated these pool improvements will cost approximately \$55,000.

Currently, \$55,644.95 is available in Subdivision/Quimby Fees in the Echo Park Deep Pool Account No. 460K-EP.

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The total Subdivision/Quimby Fees allocation for the Building Improvements project at Echo Park Deep Pool is \$55,644.95. These Fees were collected within two miles of Echo Park Deep Pool, which is the standard distance for the allocation of the Subdivision/Quimby Fees for community recreational facilities.

Staff has determined that the subject project will consist of modifications to existing park facilities involving negligible or no expansion of use. Therefore, the project is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article III, Section 1, Class 1(1) of the City CEQA Guidelines.

## Lincoln Park - Pool and Bathhouse Replacement

Lincoln Park is located at 3501 Valley Boulevard in the Lincoln Heights area of the City. This 42.81 acre park provides a lake, a recreation center, picnic areas, play areas, tennis courts, and a swimming pool for the surrounding community. Due to the facilities, features, programs, and services it provides, Lincoln Park meets the standard for a Community Park, as defined in the City's Public Recreation Plan.

The scope of the Lincoln Park Pool and Bathhouse Replacement project includes the demolition and replacement of the existing pool, deck, equipment, and bathhouse at Lincoln Park. Department staff has determined that supplemental funding for the Lincoln Park Pool and Bathhouse Replacement Project (W.O. #E1906492) is necessary for the completion of this project. The Bureau of Engineering estimates that at least \$320,000 in supplemental funding will be needed.

Currently, there is \$328.36 available in the Lincoln Park Account No. 460K-MS. Upon approval of this report, Subdivision/Quimby Fees listed below can be transferred to Lincoln Park Account No. 460K-MS for the Pool and Bathhouse Replacement project at Lincoln Park:

• \$321,131.00 in Subdivision/Quimby Fees, which were collected in Fiscal Year 2005-2006, from the Subdivision/Quimby Fees Account No. 460K-00

The total Subdivision/Quimby Fees allocation for the Pool and Bathhouse Replacement project at Lincoln Park is \$321,459.36. These Fees were collected within two miles of Lincoln Park, which is the standard distance for the allocation of the Subdivision/Quimby Fees for community recreational facilities.

Staff has determined that the subject project was previously found to be exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article III, Section 1, Class I(1 I), Class 2(5) and Class 3(6, 17) of the City CEQA Guidelines when the project was approved (Board Report No. 09-187).

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## MacArthur Park - Outdoor Park Improvements

MacArthur Park is located at 2230 West 6<sup>th</sup> Street in the Westlake community of the City. This 29.87 acre property includes a play area, band shell, lake and boathouse, and picnic areas. Due to the facilities, features, programs, and services it provides, MacArthur Park meets the standard for a Community Park, as defined in the City's Public Recreation Plan.

Department staff has determined that signage enhancements and related improvements are necessary to meet the needs of the surrounding community. It is estimated these outdoor improvements will cost approximately \$700.

Currently, there is \$740.98 available in the MacArthur Park Account No. 460K-MD.

The total Subdivision/Quimby Fees allocation for the Outdoor Park Improvements project at MacArthur Park is \$740.98. These Fees were collected within two miles of MacArthur Park, which is the standard distance for the allocation of the Subdivision/Quimby Fees for community recreational facilities.

Staff has determined that the subject project will consist of modifications to existing park facilities involving negligible or no expansion of use. Therefore, the project is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article III, Section 1, Class 1(1) of the City CEQA Guidelines.

## Sycamore Grove Park - Outdoor Park Improvements

Sycamore Grove Park is located at 4702 North Figueroa Street in the Highland Park community of the City. This 13.62 acre property includes picnic areas, tennis courts, a play area, outdoor fitness equipment, and a band shell. Due to the facilities, features, programs, and services it provides, Sycamore Grove Park meets the standard for a Community Park, as defined in the City's Public Recreation Plan.

In Council File No. 07-0600-S90, \$600,000 was transferred to the Department from the Department of Public Work, Bureau of Sanitation, Sewer Capital Fund, for the replacement of an existing play area at Sycamore Grove Park with an ADA accessible playground. Department staff has determined that supplemental funding is necessary to help complete this project. Additionally, upgrades to the outdoor park areas, including turf, landscape, and irrigation infrastructure, are necessary and will benefit the surrounding community. It is estimated these outdoor park improvements will cost approximately \$650,000.

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Currently, there is \$8,018.35 available in the Sycamore Grove Park Account No. 460K-S8. Upon approval of this report, the Subdivision/Quimby Fees listed below can be transferred to Sycamore Grove Park Account No. 460K-S8 for the Outdoor Park Improvements project at Sycamore Grove Park:

- \$32,859.00 in Subdivision/Quimby Fees, which were collected in Fiscal Year 2005-2006, from the Subdivision/Quimby Fees Account No. 460K-00
- \$20,488.00 in Subdivision/Quimby Fees, which were collected in Fiscal Year 2006-2007, from the Subdivision/Quimby Fees Account No. 460K-00

The total Subdivision/Quimby Fees allocation for the Outdoor Park Improvements project at Sycamore Grove Park is \$61,365.35. These Fees were collected within two miles of Sycamore Grove Park, which is the standard distance for the allocation of the Subdivision/Quimby Fees for community recreational facilities.

Staff has determined that the subject project will consist of modifications to existing park facilities involving negligible or no expansion of use and minor alterations to land including new landscaping. Therefore, the project is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article III, Section 1, Class 1(1) and Class 4(3) of the City CEQA Guidelines.

Councilmember Ed Reyes of District One and the Metro Region Superintendent support the recommendations in this Report. Staff recommends approval of this Council District I Quimby/Zone Change Park Fees Plan for Projects and Allocation Program, as outlined above.

## FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

The approval of this Park Fees Project Plan and Allocation Program should not have any fiscal impact on the Department's General Fund, as the costs of these projects are anticipated to be funded by the collected Quimby/Park Fees or by other identified funding sources.

This report was prepared by Darryl Ford, Management Analyst II, Planning and Development Division.

REPORT OF GENERAL MANAGER NO. <u>09</u>	-259
DATEOctober 9, 2009 C.D	3
BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS	
SUBJECT: COUNCIL DISTRICT 3 - QUIMBY/PARK FEES PLAN FOR PROJECTION PROGRAM	ECTS AND
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RECOMMENDATIONS:	

#### That the Board:

- 1. Take the following actions regarding Canoga Park Senior Citizens Center Building and Outdoor Park Improvements:
  - A. Authorize the Department's Chief Accounting Employee to transfer \$15.530.76 in Subdivision/Quimby Fees, which were collected in Fiscal Year 2004-2005, from the Subdivision/Quimby Fees Account No. 460K-00 to the Canoga Park Senior Citizens Center Account No. 460K-CB; and,
  - B. Authorize the Department's Chief Accounting Employee to transfer \$42,459.90 in Zone Change/Park Fees from the Canoga Park Senior Citizens Center Account No. 440K-CB to the Canoga Park Senior Citizens Center Account No. 460K-CB; and,
  - C. Approve the allocation of \$68,000.00 in Subdivision/Quimby Fees, from Canoga Park Senior Citizens Center Account No. 460K-CB for the Building and Outdoor Park Improvements project at Canoga Park Senior Citizens Center, as described in the Summary of this report.

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- 2. Take the following action regarding Castle Peak Park Outdoor Park Improvements:
  - A. Approve the allocation of \$16,336.24 in Subdivision/Quimby Fees, from Castle Peak Park Account No. 460K-CP for the Outdoor Park Improvements at Castle Peak Park, as described in the Summary of this report.
- 3. Take the following actions regarding Cleveland High School Swimming Pool Pool Rehabilitation:
  - A. Authorize the Department's Chief Accounting Employee to transfer \$6,288.54 in Zone Change/Park Fees from the Cleveland High School Swimming Pool Account No. 440K-CM to the Cleveland High School Swimming Pool Account No. 460K-CM; and,
  - B. Approve the allocation of \$57,776.09 in Subdivision/Quimby Fees, from Cleveland High School Swimming Pool Account No. 460K-CM for the Building and Pool Rehabilitation project at Cleveland High School Swimming Pool, as described in the Summary of this report.
- 4. Take the following action regarding Corbin Canyon Park Outdoor Park Improvements:
  - A. Approve the allocation of \$1,152.83 in Subdivision/Quimby Fees, from Corbin Canyon Park Account No. 460K-CN for the Outdoor Park Improvements project at Corbin Canyon Park, as described in the Summary of this report.
- 5. Take the following actions regarding Knapp Ranch Park Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Improvements:
  - A. Authorize the reallocation of \$7,029.48, previously allocated for the Basketball Improvements Project (W.O. #PRJ1330C) at Knapp Ranch Park, approved on April 2, 2003 per Board Report No. 03-113, for the ADA Improvements at Knapp Ranch Park; and,
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  - A. Authorize the Department's Chief Accounting Employee to transfer \$1,500.00 in Subdivision/Quimby Fees, which were collected in Fiscal Year 2004-2005, from the Subdivision/Quimby Fees Account No. 460K-00 to the Runnymede Recreation Center Account No. 460K-RU; and,
  - B. Authorize the Department's Chief Accounting Employee to transfer \$298.16 from the Runnymede Recreation Center Account No. 440K-RU to the Runnymede Recreation Center Account No. 460K-RU; and,
  - C. Approve the allocation of \$2,308.84 in Subdivision/Quimby Fees, from Runnymede Recreation Center Account No. 460K-RU for the Outdoor Park Improvements project at Runnymede Recreation Center, as described in the Summary of this report.
- 8. Take the following actions regarding Shadow Ranch Recreation Center Outdoor Park Improvements:
  - A. Authorize the Department's Chief Accounting Employee to transfer \$51.99 from the Shadow Ranch Recreation Center Account No. 440K-SG to the Shadow Ranch Recreation Center Account No. 460K-SG; and,
  - B. Approve the allocation of \$293,046.93 in Subdivision/Quimby Fees, from Shadow Ranch Recreation Center Account No. 460K-SG for the Outdoor Park Improvements project at Shadow Ranch Recreation Center, as described in the Summary of this report.
- 9. Take the following actions regarding Tarzana Recreation Center Outdoor Park Improvements:
  - A. Authorize the Department's Chief Accounting Employee to transfer \$199,488.20 from the Tarzana Recreation Center Account No. 440K-TB to the Tarzana Recreation Center Account No. 460K-TB; and,

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B. Approve the allocation of \$216,097.56 in Subdivision/Quimby Fees, from Tarzana Recreation Center Account No. 460K-TB for the Outdoor Park Improvements project at Tarzana Recreation Center, as described in the Summary of this report.

## **SUMMARY**:

## Program History

Former State legislator, John P. Quimby, recognized that recreation and park facilities and programs reduce crime, enhance property values and improve the quality of life in our neighborhood and communities. They provide positive alternatives for youth, families and senior citizens which are needed in a large, urban metropolis. Mr. Quimby initiated State legislation, which permitted cities and counties to require the dedication of land, or the payment of a fee, as a condition of local residential tract map approval (subdivisions). The City of Los Angeles implemented the Subdivision (Quimby) Fees Trust in 1971 (Ordinance 141,422). The City Planning Department calculates fees for affected subdivisions and zone changes.

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## **Program Process**

Efforts to update and modernize the Quimby planning and expenditure process have resulted in this list of projects for Council District 3. This Plan and Allocation Program reflects the projects identified by Department staff, infrastructure needs, the community, as well as the Councilmember and staff.

As a result of these discussions and input, a consensus for the proposed Quimby/Park Fees Plan for projects in Council District 3 has been determined. The Plan will use the Subdivision Fees Trust Account (Quimby) and the Zone Change Park Fees Trust Account (Zone Change).

The following projects for Council District 3 have been identified:

- Canoga Park Senior Citizens Center Building and Outdoor Park Improvements
- Castle Peak Park Outdoor Park Improvements
- Cleveland High School Swimming Pool Pool Rehabilitation
- Corbin Canyon Park Outdoor Park Improvements
- Knapp Ranch Park ADA Improvements
- Reseda Park Pool Replacement
- Runnymede Recreation Center Outdoor Park Improvements
- Shadow Ranch Recreation Center Outdoor Park Improvements
- Tarzana Recreation Center Outdoor Park Improvements

The majority of the projects listed above are scheduled to be completed within the next six to twelve months; depending on available staffing and resources.

# Canoga Park Senior Citizens Center - Building and Outdoor Park Improvements

Canoga Park Senior Citizens Center is located at 7326 Jordan Avenue in the Canoga Park community of the City. This 0.77 acre facility provides a variety of programs and activities for seniors and has a large auditorium for community meetings. Due to the facilities, features, programs, and services it provides, Canoga Park Senior Citizens Center meets the standard for a Community Park, as defined in the City's Public Recreation Plan.

Department staff has determined that improvements to the existing senior citizens center building including floor renovations, as well as improvements to the outdoor park areas, including turf, landscape, and irrigation infrastructure, will benefit the surrounding community. It is estimated these building and outdoor improvements will cost approximately \$65,000.

Currently, \$10,009.34 is available in the Canoga Park Senior Citizens Center Account No. 460K-CB. Upon approval of this report, the Subdivision/Quimby Fees and Zone

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Change/Park Fees listed below can be transferred to the Canoga Park Senior Citizens Center Account No. 460K-CB for the Building and Outdoor Park Improvements project at Canoga Park Senior Citizens Center:

- \$15,530.76 in Subdivision/Quimby Fees, which were collected in Fiscal Year 2004-2005, from the Subdivision/Quimby Fees Account No. 460K-00;
- \$42,459.90 in Zone Change/Park Fees from the Canoga Park Senior Citizens Center Account No. 440K-CB.

The total Subdivision/Quimby Fees allocation for the Building and Outdoor Park Improvements project at Canoga Park Senior Citizens Center is \$68,000.00. These Fees were collected within two miles of Canoga Park Senior Citizens Center, which is the standard distance for the allocation of the Subdivision/Quimby Fees for community recreational facilities.

Staff has determined that the subject project will consist of modifications to existing park facilities involving negligible or no expansion of use and minor alterations to land including new landscaping. Therefore, the project is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article III, Section 1, Class 1(1) and Class 4(3) of the City CEQA Guidelines.

#### Castle Peak Park - Outdoor Park Improvements

Castle Peak Park is located at 24220½ Clarington Drive in the West Hills community of the City. This 3.09 acre facility includes open space and picnic areas. Due to the facilities, features, programs, and services it provides, Castle Peak Park meets the standard for a Neighborhood Park, as defined in the City's Public Recreation Plan.

Department staff has determined that improvements to the outdoor park areas, including turf, landscape, and irrigation infrastructure, and the installation of new pedestrian lighting, will benefit the surrounding community. It is estimated these outdoor improvements will cost approximately \$15,000.

Currently, \$16,336.24 is available in the Castle Peak Park Account No. 460K-CP

The total Subdivision/Quimby Fees allocation for the Outdoor Park Improvements project at Castle Peak Park is \$16,336.24. These Fees were collected within one mile of Castle Peak Park, which is the standard distance for the allocation of the Subdivision/Quimby Fees for neighborhood recreational facilities.

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Staff has determined that the subject project will consist of modifications to existing park facilities involving negligible or no expansion of use and minor alterations to land including new landscaping. Therefore, the project is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article III, Section 1, Class 1(1) and Class 4(3) of the City CEQA Guidelines.

## Cleveland High School Swimming Pool - Pool Rehabilitation

Cleveland High School Swimming Pool is located at 8120 Vanalden Avenue in the Reseda community of the City. This 0.79 acre facility includes a year-round swimming pool operated under a joint-use agreement with the Los Angeles Unified School District. The facility provides a variety of aquatic programs to the school district and to the surrounding community. Due to the facilities, features, programs, and services it provides, Cleveland High School Swimming Pool meets the standard for a Community Park, as defined in the City's Public Recreation Plan.

Department staff has determined that improvements to the pool facility, including to the pool recirculation systems and equipment, are necessary for the continued operation of the facility and will be of benefit to the surrounding community.

Currently, \$51,487.55 is available in the Cleveland High School Swimming Pool Account No. 460K-CM. Upon approval of this report, Zone Change/Park Fees listed below can be transferred to Cleveland High School Swimming Pool Account No. 460K-CM for the Pool Rehabilitation project at Cleveland High School Swimming Pool:

• \$6,288.54 in Zone Change/Park Fees from the Cleveland High School Swimming Pool Account No. 440K-CM

The total Subdivision/Quimby Fees allocation for the Pool Rehabilitation project at Cleveland High School Swimming Pool is \$57,776.09. These Fees were collected within two miles of Cleveland High School Swimming Pool, which is the standard distance for the allocation of the Subdivision/Quimby Fees for community recreational facilities.

Staff has determined that the subject project will consist of interior modifications to existing park facilities involving negligible or no expansion of use. Therefore, the project is exempt from the provisions of the CEQA pursuant to Article III, Section 1, Class 1(1) of the City CEQA Guidelines.

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## Corbin Canyon Park - Outdoor Park Improvements

Corbin Canyon Park is located at 4720 Corbin Avenue in the Tarzana community of the City. This 40.51 acre park provides an open space and hiking trails for the surrounding community. Due to the facilities, features, programs, and services it provides, Corbin Canyon Park meets the standard for a Community Park, as defined in the City's Public Recreation Plan.

In Board Report No. 04-216, the Commission approved the allocation of \$31,941.36 in Subdivision/Quimby Fees for drainage and erosion control (W.O. #PRJ1612A). Department staff has determined that supplemental funding is necessary to complete this project and will benefit the surrounding community. It is estimated these outdoor park improvements will cost approximately \$200,000. Although these funds are not sufficient to complete this project, this allocation of funds will be set aside for the sole purpose of funding the needs of this facility.

Currently, \$1,152.83 in Subdivision/Quimby Fees is available in the Corbin Canyon Park Account No. 460K-CN.

The total Subdivision/Quimby Fees allocation for the Outdoor Park Improvements project at Corbin Canyon Park is \$1,152.83. These Fees were collected within two miles of Corbin Canyon Park, which is the standard distance for the allocation of the Subdivision/Quimby Fees for community recreational facilities.

Staff has determined that the subject project will consist of modifications to existing park facilities involving negligible or no expansion of use and minor alterations to land including new landscaping. Therefore, the project is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article III, Section 1, Class 1(1) and Class 4(3) of the City CEQA Guidelines.

#### Knapp Ranch Park - ADA Improvements

Knapp Ranch Park is located at 25000 Kittridge Street in the West Hills community of the City. This 69.11 acre park includes open space, a baseball diamond, tennis courts, basketball courts, and picnic areas. Due to the facilities, features, programs, and services it provides, Knapp Ranch Park meets the standard for a Community Park, as defined in the City's Public Recreation Plan.

Department staff has determined that the existing ADA Improvements project at Knapp Ranch Park is in need of at least \$7,000 in supplemental funding. The scope of this project includes improvements to the restroom, parking lot, and baseball field.

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Currently, \$253.71 is available in the Knapp Ranch Park Account No. 460K-KN. In Board Report No. 03-113, on April 2, 2003, the Commission approved the allocation of \$7,029.48 in Subdivision/Quimby Fees for the Basketball Court Improvement Project at Knapp Ranch Park. Upon the approval of this report, this previous allocation of \$7,029.48 in Subdivision/Quimby Fees for the Basketball Court Improvement project can be reallocated and used for the ADA Improvements project.

The total Subdivision/Quimby Fees allocation for the ADA Improvements project at Knapp Ranch Park is \$7,283.19. These Fees were collected within two miles of Knapp Ranch Park, which is the standard distance for the allocation of the Subdivision/Quimby Fees for community recreational facilities.

Staff has determined that the subject project will consist of modifications to existing park facilities involving negligible or no expansion of use and minor alterations to land including new landscaping. Therefore, the project is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article III, Section 1, Class 1(1) and Class 4(3) of the City CEQA Guidelines.

## Reseda Park - Pool Replacement

Reseda Park is located at 18411 Victory Boulevard in the Reseda area of the City. This 29.68 acre park features basketball and tennis courts, an outdoor swimming pool, fitness and youth programs, and a small lake. Due to the facilities, features, programs, and services it provides, Reseda Park meets the standard for a Community Park, as defined in the City's Public Recreation Plan.

In Board Report No. 09-033, the Commission approved the allocation of \$1,193,974.72 in Subdivision/Quimby and Zone Change/Park Fees for the Reseda Park - Pool Replacement project (W.O. #PRJ1618P). Department staff has determined that supplemental funding is necessary to complete this project and will benefit the surrounding community. This supplemental allocation does not meet all estimated costs for this project. This is a large and long term project which will require a great deal of planning to deliver. This allocation of funds represents a portion of the overall funding required and will be set aside for the sole purpose of funding a portion of the replacement cost of the pool.

Currently, \$1,537.00 is available in the Reseda Park Account No. 460K-RE.

The total supplemental Subdivision/Quimby Fees allocation for the Outdoor Park Improvements project at Reseda Park is \$1,537.00. These Fees were collected within two miles of Reseda Park, which is the standard distance for the allocation of the Subdivision/Quimby Fees for community recreational facilities.

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When the subject project was approved (Board Report No. 09-033), staff determined that the subject project would most likely be exempt from the provisions of the CEQA pursuant to Article 111, Section 1, Class I(1) of the City CEQA Guidelines. However, allocation of the Quimby funds for future project implementation is only a government funding mechanism and does not constitute a project under CEQA at this time. Once full funding has been identified for final project approval and implementation, the appropriate CEQA documentation will identified and filed.

## Runnymede Recreation Center - Outdoor Park Improvements

Runnymede Recreation Center is located at 20200 Runnymede Street in the Winnetka community of the City. This 5.93 acre facility includes a children's play area, tennis courts, and picnic areas. Due to the facilities, features, programs, and services it provides, Runnymede Recreation Center meets the standard for a Neighborhood Park, as defined in the City's Public Recreation Plan.

Department staff has determined that improvements to the outdoor park areas, including new park signage will benefit the surrounding community. It is estimated these outdoor improvements will cost approximately \$2,000.

Currently, \$510.68 is available in the Runnymede Recreation Center Account No. 460K-RU. Upon approval of this report, the Subdivision/Quimby Fees and Zone Change/Park Fees listed below can be transferred to the Runnymede Recreation Center Account No. 460K-RU for the Outdoor Park Improvements project at Runnymede Recreation Center:

- \$1,500.00 in Subdivision/Quimby Fees, which were collected in Fiscal Year 2004-2005, from the Subdivision/Quimby Fees Account No. 460K-00;
- \$298.16 from the Runnymede Recreation Center Account No. 440K-RU

The total Subdivision/Quimby Fees allocation for the Outdoor Park Improvements project at Runnymede Recreation Center is \$2,308.84. These Fees were collected within one mile of Runnymede Recreation Center, which is the standard distance for the allocation of the Subdivision/Quimby Fees for neighborhood recreational facilities.

Staff has determined that the subject project will consist of modifications to existing park facilities involving negligible or no expansion of use and minor alterations to land including new landscaping. Therefore, the project is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article III, Section 1, Class 1(1) and Class 4(3) of the City CEQA Guidelines.

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## Shadow Ranch Recreation Center - Outdoor Park Improvements

Shadow Ranch Recreation Center is located at 22633 Vanowen Street in the West Hills community of the City. This 12.03 acre facility provides baseball diamonds, a basketball court, children's play area, and community meeting rooms. Due to the facilities and features it provides, Shadow Ranch Recreation Center meets the standard for a Community Park, as defined in the City's Public Recreation Plan.

Department staff has determined that improvements to the parking lot, including park entrance and driveway enhancements, as well as walkway improvements, will benefit the surrounding community. The estimated costs of the renovations will be approximately \$290,000.

Upon approval of this report, Subdivision/Quimby Fees listed below can be transferred to Shadow Ranch Recreation Center Account No. 460K-SG for the Outdoor Park Improvements project at Shadow Ranch Recreation Center:

\$51.99 from the Shadow Ranch Recreation Center Account No. 440K-SG

The total Subdivision/Quimby Fees allocation for the Outdoor Park Improvements project is \$293,046.93. These Fees were collected within two miles of Shadow Ranch Recreation Center, which is the standard distance for the allocation of the Subdivision/Quimby Fees for community recreational facilities.

Staff has determined that the subject project will consist of exterior modifications to existing park facilities involving negligible or no expansion of use. Therefore, the project is exempt from the provisions of the CEQA pursuant to Article III, Section 1, Class 1(1) of the City CEQA Guidelines.

## Tarzana Recreation Center - Outdoor Park Improvements

Tarzana Recreation Center is located at 5655 Vanalden Street in the Tarzana community of the City. This 5.57 acre facility provides a gymnasium, child care center, baseball diamonds, basketball courts, children's play area, and volleyball courts. Due to the facilities and features it provides, Tarzana Recreation Center meets the standard for a Neighborhood Park, as defined in the City's Public Recreation Plan.

Department staff has determined that improvements to the children's play area, installation of outdoor fitness equipment, and turf, landscape, and irrigation enhancements will benefit the surrounding community. The estimated costs of the renovations will be approximately \$200,000.

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Upon approval of this report, Subdivision/Quimby Fees listed below can be transferred to Tarzana Recreation Center Account No. 460K-TB for the Outdoor Park Improvements project at Tarzana Recreation Center:

\$199,488.20 from the Tarzana Recreation Center Account No. 440K-TB

The total Subdivision/Quimby Fees allocation for the Outdoor Park Improvements project is \$216,097.56. These Fees were collected within one mile of Tarzana Recreation Center, which is the standard distance for the allocation of the Subdivision/Quimby Fees for neighborhood recreational facilities.

Staff has determined that the subject project will consist of modifications to existing park facilities and placement of new accessory structures. Therefore, the project is exempt from the provisions of the CEQA pursuant to Article III, Section 1, Class 1(1) and Class 11(3) of the City CEQA Guidelines.

Councilmember Dennis Zine of Council District 3 and the Valley Region Superintendent support the recommendations in this Report. Staff recommends approval of this Council District 3 Quimby/Zone Change Park Fees Plan for Projects and Allocation Program, as outlined above.

## FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

The approval of this Park Fees Project Plan and Allocation Program should not have any fiscal impact on the Department's General Fund, as the costs of these projects are anticipated to be funded by the collected Quimby/Park Fees or by other identified funding sources.

This report was prepared by Darryl Ford, Management Analyst II, Planning and Development Division.

REPORT OF	GENERAL MANAG	GER	NO.	09-260
DATE	October 9, 2009		C.D.	12
SUBJECT:	COUNCIL DISTR AND ALLOCATION	ICT 12 - QUIMBY/PARK ON PROGRAM	FEES PLAN F	OR PROJECTS
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## **RECOMMENDATIONS**:

That the Board:

- 1. Take the following actions regarding Bee Canyon Park Outdoor Park Improvements:
  - A. Authorize the Department's Chief Accounting Employee to transfer \$4,858.00 in Subdivision/Quimby Fees, which were collected in Fiscal Year 2005-2006, from the Subdivision/Quimby Fees Account No. 460K-00 to the Bee Canyon Park Account No. 460K-BC;
  - B. Authorize the Department's Chief Accounting Employee to transfer \$13,490.00 in Subdivision/Quimby Fees, which were collected in Fiscal Year 2006-2007, from the Subdivision/Quimby Fees Account No. 460K-00 to the Bee Canyon Park Account No. 460K-BC; and,
  - C. Approve the allocation of \$92,264.01 in Subdivision/Quimby Fees, from Bee Canyon Park Account No. 460K-BC for the Outdoor Park Improvements project at Bee Canyon Park, as described in the Summary of this report.
- 2. Take the following actions regarding Chatsworth Park South Building and Outdoor Park Improvements:
  - A. Authorize the Department's Chief Accounting Employee to transfer \$22,160.79 from the Chatsworth Park Account No. 440K-CT to the Chatsworth Park Account No. 460K-CT; and,

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- B. Approve the allocation of \$53,068.12 in Subdivision/Quimby Fees from Chatsworth Park Account No. 460K-CT for the Building and Outdoor Park Improvements project at Chatsworth Park South, as described in the Summary of this report.
- 3. Take the following actions regarding Louise Park Outdoor Park Improvements:
  - A. Authorize the Department's Chief Accounting Employee to transfer \$1,571.79 from the Louise Park Account No. 440K-LR to the Louise Park Account No. 460K-LR; and,
  - B. Approve the allocation of \$9,375.90 in Subdivision/Quimby Fees from the Louise Park Account No. 460K-LR for the Outdoor Park Improvements at Louise Park, as described in the Summary of this report.
- 4. Take the following actions regarding Mason Recreation Center Building and Outdoor Park Improvements:
  - A. Authorize the Department's Chief Accounting Employee to transfer \$134,387.96 in Zone Change/Park Fees from the Mason Recreation Center Account No. 440K-MA to the Mason Recreation Center Account No. 460K-MA;
  - B. Authorize the Department's Chief Accounting Employee to transfer \$43,812.00 in Subdivision/Quimby Fees, which were collected in Fiscal Year 2006-2007, from the Subdivision/Quimby Fees Account No. 460K-00 to the Mason Recreation Center Account No. 460K-MA; and,
  - C. Approve the allocation of \$253,782.77 in Subdivision/Quimby Fees, from Mason Recreation Center Account No. 460K-MA for the Building and Outdoor Park Improvements project at Mason Recreation Center, as described in the Summary of this report.
- 5. Take the following actions regarding Northridge Recreation Center Building Improvements:
  - A. Authorize the Department's Chief Accounting Employee to transfer \$21,531.33 in Zone Change/Park Fees from the Northridge Recreation Center Account No. 440K-NT to the Northridge Recreation Center Account No. 460K-NT;

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- B. Authorize the Department's Chief Accounting Employee to transfer \$36,006.00 in Subdivision/Quimby Fees, which were collected in Fiscal Year 2006-2007, from the Subdivision/Quimby Fees Account No. 460K-00 to the Northridge Recreation Center Account No. 460K-NT;
- C. Authorize the Department's Chief Accounting Employee to transfer \$16,620.80 in Subdivision/Quimby Fees, which were collected in Fiscal Year 2007-2008, from the Subdivision/Quimby Fees Account No. 460K-00 to the Northridge Recreation Center Account No. 460K-NT; and,
- D. Approve the allocation of \$80,462.88 in Subdivision/Quimby Fees, from Northridge Recreation Center Account No. 460K-NT for the Building Improvements project at Northridge Recreation Center, as described in the Summary of this report.
- 6. Take the following actions regarding Northridge Recreation Center Pool Improvements:
  - A. Authorize the Department's Chief Accounting Employee to transfer \$47,577.60 in Subdivision/Quimby Fees, which were collected in Fiscal Year 2006-2007, from the Subdivision/Quimby Fees Account No. 460K-00 to the Northridge Recreation Center Account No. 460K-NT; and,
  - B. Approve the allocation of \$47,577.60 in Subdivision/Quimby Fees, from Northridge Recreation Center Account No. 460K-NT for the Pool Improvements project at Northridge Recreation Center, as described in the Summary of this report.
- 7. Take the following action regarding Stoney Point Park Outdoor Park Improvements:
  - A. Approve the allocation of \$260.42 in Subdivision/Quimby Fees, from Stoney Point Park Account No. 460K-S6 for the Outdoor Park Improvements project at Stoney Point Park, as described in the Summary of this report.
- 8. Take the following actions regarding Vanalden Park Building and Outdoor Park Improvements:
  - A. Authorize the Department's Chief Accounting Employee to transfer \$94,787.95 from the Vanalden Park Account No. 440K-VG to the Vanalden Park Account No. 460K-VG; and,

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B. Approve the allocation of \$99,320.84 in Subdivision/Quimby Fees from Vanalden Park Account No. 460K-VG for the Building and Outdoor Park Improvements project at Vanalden Park, as described in the Summary of this report.

#### **SUMMARY:**

# Program History

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Some residential development does not pay either Quimby or Zone Change park fees, paying only a small fee called the Dwelling Unit Construction Tax (\$200 per unit) which goes into the City's Sites and Facilities Fund.

The Department may use Quimby and Zone Change/Park Fees for capital park improvements only, including the acquisition of land, design/construction of park and recreational improvements, and park rehabilitation projects. Currently, Quimby and Zone Change/Park fees may not fund expenses for park operations, materials and supplies, or equipment.

Allocations are made within one mile of a park facility for neighborhood parks and two miles for community parks from the point of collection to ensure that residents of the new residential projects benefit from the facilities their funds helped to create or improve. This distance represents a recommended service radius for neighborhood and community facilities outlined in the Public Recreation Plan of the City's General Plan. In addition, funds typically remain in the Council District in which they were collected.

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## **Program Process**

Efforts to update and modernize the Quimby planning and expenditure process have resulted in this list of projects for Council District 12. Meetings between Department and Council District staff have been held recently to present the Department's new Geographic Information System (GIS) database information, used to identify collections and locations at which the collections can be utilized. This Plan and Allocation Program reflects the projects identified by Department staff, infrastructure needs, the community, as well as the Councilmember and staff.

As a result of these discussions and input, a consensus for the proposed Quimby/Park Fees Plan for projects in Council District 12 has been determined. The Plan will use the Subdivision Fees Trust Account (Quimby) and the Zone Change Park Fees Trust Account (Zone Change).

The following projects for Council District 12 have been identified:

- Bee Canyon Park Outdoor Park Improvements
- Chatsworth Park South Building and Outdoor Park Improvements
- Louise Park Outdoor Park Improvements
- Mason Recreation Center Building and Outdoor Park Improvements
- Northridge Recreation Center Building Improvements
- Northridge Recreation Center Pool Improvements
- Stoney Point Park Outdoor Park Improvements
- Vanalden Park Building and Outdoor Park Improvements

The majority of the projects listed above are scheduled to be completed within the next six to twelve months; depending on available staffing and resources.

#### Bee Canyon Park - Outdoor Park Improvements

Bee Canyon Park is located at 17301 Senson Boulevard in the Granada Hills community of the City. This 22.21 acre property includes picnic areas, open space areas, and hiking trails which connect to the O'Melveny Park. Due to the facilities, features, programs, and services it provides, Bee Canyon Park meets the standard for a Community Park, as defined in the City's Public Recreation Plan.

Department staff has determined that trail enhancements and related outdoor improvements are necessary to meet the needs of the surrounding community. It is estimated these outdoor improvements will cost approximately \$90,000.

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Currently, there is \$73,916.01 is available in the Bee Canyon Park Account No. 460K-BC. Upon approval of this report, the Subdivision/Quimby Fees listed below can be transferred to Bee Canyon Park Account No. 460K-BC for the Outdoor Park Improvements project at Bee Canyon Park:

- \$4,858.00 in Subdivision/Quimby Fees, which were collected in Fiscal Year 2005-2006, from the Subdivision/Quimby Fees Account No. 460K-00
- \$13,490.00 in Subdivision/Quimby Fees, which were collected in Fiscal Year 2006-2007, from the Subdivision/Quimby Fees Account No. 460K-00

The total Subdivision/Quimby Fees allocation for the Outdoor Park Improvements project at Bee Canyon Park is \$92,264.01. These Fees were collected within two miles of Bee Canyon Park, which is the standard distance for the allocation of the Subdivision/Quimby Fees for community recreational facilities.

Staff has determined that the subject project will consist of modifications to existing park facilities and trails involving negligible or no expansion of use and minor alterations to land. Therefore, the project is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article III, Section 1, Class 1(1, 3) and Class 4(3) of the City CEQA Guidelines.

## Chatsworth Park South - Building and Outdoor Park Improvements

Chatsworth Park South is located at 22360 Devonshire Street in the Chatsworth area of the City. This 73.07 acre park provides a variety of services and programs to the community, including basketball, tennis, and youth, teen, and adult programs. Additionally, the Minnie Hill Palmer House / Homestead Acre, City of Los Angeles Historic-Cultural Monument #113, is located at this site. Due to the facilities, features, programs, and services it provides, Chatsworth Park South meets the standard for a Community Park, as defined in the City's Public Recreation Plan.

Department staff has determined that improvements to the outdoor park areas, including turf, landscape, irrigation infrastructure, and trails refurbishment, as well as security and safety upgrades for the existing buildings, will benefit the surrounding community. It is estimated these outdoor improvements will cost approximately \$50,000.

Currently, \$30,907.33 is available in Subdivision/Quimby Fees in the Chatsworth Park Account No. 460K-CT. Upon approval of this report, the Zone Change/Park Fees listed below can be transferred to Chatsworth Park Account No. 460K-CT for the Building and Outdoor Park Improvements project at Chatsworth Park South:

• \$22,160.79 from the Chatsworth Park Account No. 440K-CT

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The total Subdivision/Quimby Fees allocation for the Building and Outdoor Park Improvements project at Chatsworth Park South is \$53,068.12. These Fees were collected within two miles of Chatsworth Park South, which is the standard distance for the allocation of the Subdivision/Quimby Fees for community recreational facilities.

Staff has determined that the subject project will consist of modifications to existing park facilities involving negligible or no expansion of use and minor alterations to land including new landscaping. Therefore, the project is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article III, Section 1, Class 1(1) and Class 4(3) of the City CEQA Guidelines.

## Louise Park - Outdoor Park Improvements

Louise Park is located at 7140 Louise Avenue in the Van Nuys area of the City. This 6.48 acre park provides ball diamonds, basketball courts, and a play area for the use of the surrounding community. Due to the facilities, features, programs, and services it provides, Louise Park meets the standard for a Neighborhood Park, as defined in the City's Public Recreation Plan.

Department staff has determined that improvements to the outdoor park areas, including basketball courts, and related site improvements, will benefit the surrounding community. It is estimated these outdoor improvements will cost approximately \$9,000.

Currently, \$7,804.11 is available in Subdivision/Quimby Fees in the Louise Park Account No. 460K-LR. Upon approval of this report, the Zone Change/Park Fees listed below can be transferred to Louise Park Account No. 460K-LR for the Outdoor Park Improvements project at Louise Park:

#### • \$1,571.79 from the Louise Park Account No. 440K-LR

The total Subdivision/Quimby Fees allocation for the Outdoor Park Improvements project at Louise Park is \$9,375.90. These Fees were collected within one mile of Louise Park, which is the standard distance for the allocation of the Subdivision/Quimby Fees for neighborhood recreational facilities.

Staff has determined that the subject project will consist of modifications to existing park facilities involving negligible or no expansion of use and minor alterations to land including new landscaping. Therefore, the project is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article III, Section 1, Class 1(1) and Class 4(3) of the City CEQA Guidelines.

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## Mason Recreation Center - Building and Outdoor Park Improvements

Mason Recreation Center is located at 10500 Mason Avenue in the Chatsworth community of the City. This 17.07 acre property includes picnic areas, ball diamonds, basketball courts, a child care center, and a gymnasium. Due to the facilities, features, programs, and services it provides, Mason Recreation Center meets the standard for a Community Park, as defined in the City's Public Recreation Plan.

Department staff has determined that improvements to the outdoor park areas, including turf, landscape, and irrigation infrastructure, as well as upgrades to the existing gymnasium building including lighting, gym floors, and related improvements, will benefit the surrounding community. It is estimated these building and outdoor park improvements will cost approximately \$250,000.

Currently, there is \$75,582.81 available in the Mason Recreation Center Account No. 460K-MA. Upon approval of this report, the Subdivision/Quimby and Zone Change/Park Fees listed below can be transferred to Mason Recreation Center Account No. 460K-MA for the Building and Outdoor Park Improvements project at Mason Recreation Center:

- \$134,387.96 in Zone Change/Park Fees from the Mason Recreation Center Account No. 440K-MA
- \$43,812.00 in Subdivision/Quimby Fees, which were collected in Fiscal Year 2006-2007, from the Subdivision/Quimby Fees Account No. 460K-00

The total Subdivision/Quimby Fees allocation for the Building and Outdoor Park Improvements project at Mason Recreation Center is \$253,782.77. These Fees were collected within two miles of Mason Recreation Center, which is the standard distance for the allocation of the Subdivision/Quimby Fees for community recreational facilities.

Staff has determined that the subject project will consist of modifications to existing park facilities involving negligible or no expansion of use and minor alterations to land including new landscaping. Therefore, the project is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article III, Section 1, Class 1(1) and Class 4(3) of the City CEQA Guidelines.

## Northridge Recreation Center - Building Improvements

Northridge Recreation Center is located at 10058 Reseda Boulevard in the Northridge community of the City. This 24.02 acre property includes picnic areas, ball diamonds, a child care center, swimming pool, and a gymnasium. Due to the facilities, features, programs, and

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services it provides, Northridge Recreation Center meets the standard for a Community Park, as defined in the City's Public Recreation Plan.

Department staff has determined that improvements to the existing gymnasium building lighting, building security and safety lighting, and related improvements, will benefit the surrounding community. It is estimated these building improvements will cost approximately \$80,000.

Currently, there is \$6,304.75 available in the Northridge Recreation Center Account No. 460K-NT. Upon approval of this report, the Subdivision/Quimby and Zone Change/Park Fees listed below can be transferred to Northridge Recreation Center Account No. 460K-NT for the Building Improvements project at Northridge Recreation Center:

- \$21,531.33 in Zone Change/Park Fees from the Northridge Recreation Center Account No. 440K-NT
- \$36,006.00 in Subdivision/Quimby Fees, which were collected in Fiscal Year 2006-2007, from the Subdivision/Quimby Fees Account No. 460K-00
- \$16,620.80 in Subdivision/Quimby Fees, which were collected in Fiscal Year 2007-2008, from the Subdivision/Quimby Fees Account No. 460K-00

The total Subdivision/Quimby Fees allocation for the Building Improvement project at Northridge Recreation Center is \$80,462.88. These Fees were collected within two miles of Northridge Recreation Center, which is the standard distance for the allocation of the Subdivision/Quimby Fees for community recreational facilities.

Staff has determined that the subject project will consist of modifications to existing park facilities involving negligible or no expansion of use. Therefore, the project is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article III, Section 1, Class 1(1) of the City CEQA Guidelines.

### Northridge Recreation Center - Pool Improvements

Department staff has determined that improvements to the existing pool, including the installation of new shade structures, will benefit the surrounding community. It is estimated these pool improvements will cost approximately \$47,000.

Upon approval of this report, the Subdivision/Quimby and Zone Change/Park Fees listed below can be transferred to Northridge Recreation Center Account No. 460K-NT for the Pool Improvements project at Northridge Recreation Center:

• \$47,577.60 in Subdivision/Quimby Fees, which were collected in Fiscal Year 2006-2007, from the Subdivision/Quimby Fees Account No. 460K-00

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The total Subdivision/Quimby Fees allocation for the Pool Improvement project at Northridge Recreation Center is \$47,577.60. These Fees were collected within two miles of Northridge Recreation Center, which is the standard distance for the allocation of the Subdivision/Quimby Fees for community recreational facilities.

Staff has determined that the subject project will consist of modifications to existing park facilities involving negligible or no expansion of use. Therefore, the project is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article III, Section I, Class 1(1) of the City CEQA Guidelines.

# Stoney Point Park - Outdoor Park Improvements

Stoney Point Park is located at 10870 Topanga Canyon Boulevard in the Chatsworth community of the City. This 29.06 acre property includes open space areas, hiking trails, and picnic areas. Due to the facilities, features, programs, and services it provides, Stoney Point Park meets the standard for a Community Park, as defined in the City's Public Recreation Plan.

Department staff has determined that signage enhancements and related improvements are necessary to meet the needs of the surrounding community. It is estimated these outdoor improvements will cost approximately \$250.

Currently, there is \$260.42 is available in the Stoney Point Park Account No. 460K-S6.

The total Subdivision/Quimby Fees allocation for the Outdoor Park Improvements project at Stoney Point Park is \$260.42. These Fees were collected within two miles of Stoney Point Park, which is the standard distance for the allocation of the Subdivision/Quimby Fees for community recreational facilities.

Staff has determined that the subject project will consist of modifications to existing park facilities involving negligible or no expansion of use. Therefore, the project is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article III, Section 1, Class 1(1) of the City CEQA Guidelines.

### Vanalden Park - Building and Outdoor Park Improvements

Vanalden Park is located at 8956 Vanalden Avenue in the Northridge community of the City. This 10.89 acre property includes picnic areas, a jogging path, and open space area. Additionally, Wilkinson Multipurpose Senior Center is located at this site. Due to the facilities, features, programs, and services it provides, Mason Recreation Center meets the standard for a Community Park, as defined in the City's Public Recreation Plan.

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Department staff has determined that improvements to the parking lot, walkways, fencing, and outdoor park areas, including turf, landscape, and irrigation infrastructure, as well as upgrades to the Wilkinson Multipurpose Senior Center building including kitchen improvements, will benefit the surrounding community. It is estimated these building and outdoor park improvements will cost approximately \$95,000.

Currently, there is \$4,532.89 available in the Vanalden Park Account No. 460K-VG. Upon approval of this report, the Zone Change/Park Fees listed below can be transferred to Vanalden Park Account No. 460K-VG for the Building and Outdoor Park Improvements project at Vanalden Park:

• \$94,787.95 from the Vanalden Park Account No. 440K-VG

The total Subdivision/Quimby Fees allocation for the Building and Outdoor Park Improvements project at Vanalden Park is \$99,320.84. These Fees were collected within two miles of Vanalden Park, which is the standard distance for the allocation of the Subdivision/Quimby Fees for community recreational facilities.

Staff has determined that the subject project will consist of modifications to existing park facilities involving negligible or no expansion of use and minor alterations to land including new landscaping. Therefore, the project is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article III, Section 1, Class 1(1, 3, 12) and Class 4(3) of the City CEQA Guidelines.

Councilmember Greig Smith of District Twelve and the Valley Region Superintendent support the recommendations in this Report. Staff recommends approval of this Council District 12 Quimby/Zone Change Park Fees Plan for Projects and Allocation Program, as outlined above.

### FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

The approval of this Park Fees Project Plan and Allocation Program should not have any fiscal impact on the Department, as the costs of these projects are anticipated to be funded by the collected Quimby/Park Fees or by other identified funding sources.

This report was prepared by Darryl Ford, Management Analyst II, Planning and Development Division.

REPORT OF GENERAL MANAGER	NO. 09-261					
DATE October 9, 2009	C.D. ALL					
BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS						
SUBJECT: BOARD POLICY ON PARTNERSHIPS						
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### **RECOMMENDATION**:

#### That the Board:

- 1. Approve the attached "Board Policy on Partnerships" which concerns entering into Partnerships with individuals, entities, or organizations for the benefit of the community; and,
- 2. Instruct staff to continue the evaluation process for the current list of partnerships and move forward with the recommendations of the partnership committee described in the body of this report.

### SUMMARY:

The Department of Recreation and Parks has a long history of entering into agreements with outside entities in order to provide services, programs, or capital improvements at Department facilities for the benefit of the community. The services obtained from these agreements include tutoring, career exploration/job readiness programs, martial arts or gymnastic classes which may be offered by an individual; senior and intergenerational programs funded and operated by non-profit organizations; and various capital improvements which include artificial turf fields, universal access playgrounds, senior centers, and museums to name a few. Generally, the Department enters into these types of agreements because the Department is unable to provide the services or benefits or deems the services or benefits are in the best interest of the community. These types of agreements should be differentiated from our concessionaire type of agreements where private organizations use park land

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to make a profit. The Department usually receives a set amount on a monthly basis plus an additional percentage of the profit.

For the most part, the entities we engage with deliver the services or benefits that the community needs. However, in some cases, the entities are unable to deliver the service at an acceptable level or not at all. In most cases, this is due to a lack or loss of funding or poor planning. In general, the Department sees the benefits in engaging other entities and considers most as "partners" since they share the same vision and goal.

Recently, the Partnership Committee made up of Department staff with varied experience and backgrounds, including recreation, planning, operations, and management, was formed. The Committee considered, reviewed, and evaluated over 200 current "partners" with a focus on the services or benefits provided and the satisfaction of the constituents and staff. From this process, the Committee was able to synthesize and develop partnership criteria and standards. This further evolved into the Board Policy being considered in this report.

It should be noted that the following information was considered in the over-all process:

- 1. Service or Benefit provided recreation, cultural, life skills, human services, maintenance
- 2. Scope whether the services being provided are site-specific only or Department or City wide
- 3. Corporate Type whether the partner is a for-profit corporation or non-profit
- 4. Number of participants served on annual basis
- 5. Population Served children, youth/teens, adults, seniors, families, etc.
- 6. Partnership status whether the agreement is current or expired
- 7. Survey responsiveness to the survey distributed

The proposed Board Policy on Partnerships is included as Attachment A. The intent of the policy is to create a standard by which Department staff can evaluate the value or benefit of a proposed partnership. The policy is purposefully written as simply as possible. There may be certain exceptions. All known circumstances have been considered in the "Further Explanation" section of the policy.

The Committee considers the approval of the proposed policy as a major achievement in this process and understands that there are many more considerations as we move forward. As such, the committee is presenting a list of further actions that must be completed. These are included as Attachment B for the approval of the Board.

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# **FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:**

Implementation of this policy has no foreseen impact on the General Fund.

This report was prepared by Cid Macaraeg, Sr. Management Analyst II, Real Estate and Asset Management, Planning and Development Division.

### ATTACHMENT A

### DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION AND PARKS

### PROPOSED BOARD POLICY ON PARTNERSHIPS

### MISSION STATEMENT

### **OUR MISSION**

Our mission is to enrich the lives of the residents of the City of Los Angeles by providing safe, welcoming parks and recreation facilities and affordable, diverse recreation and human services activities for people of all ages to play, learn, contemplate, build community and be good stewards of our environment.

### **OUR VISION**

Our vision is to provide affordable recreational, physical and cultural opportunities for all of Los Angeles residents, with a focus on families, youth development and building healthy communities. The programs and services offered by the Department will provide excellent value and quality and emphasize the equitable distribution of resources throughout the City. We will offer these programs in safe, attractive and well-maintained facilities that will reflect the public's needs and interests.

### **OUR MOTTO**

We build healthy communities through people, parks and programs.

# PROPOSED BOARD POLICY

NOTE: THIS POLICY IS TO BE IMPLEMENTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE FOLLOWING EXPLANATION

- 1. The Department shall enter into a partnership with any individual, entity, and private or governmental organization, only if the benefit of the partnership helps to satisfy or achieve the Department's mission and vision.
- 2. The partnership must show a clear community benefit or address an identified Department need or priority. The benefit must be non-exclusive and be open to most of, if not the entire, community.
- 3. The benefit that the Department or community receives shall be at the partner's expense. These expenses shall include but not be limited to cost of capital improvements, maintenance, operations, programming, utilities, insurance, etc.
- 4. The partner must show financial stability and/or qualification/ability to provide the benefit for the duration of the partnership.
- 5. The partner shall acknowledge and incorporate the Department's name and/or likeness in all public relations and marketing materials, as well as, other outreach efforts. Such materials and efforts shall be approved by the Department prior to all such usage.

# BOARD POLICY FURTHER EXPLAINED

NOTE: EACH SECTION HEREIN EXPANDS ON THE LIKE NUMBERED SECTION IN THE POLICY

- The Department's mission and vision is to provide services and opportunities for the benefit and betterment of the residents of the City of Los Angeles. In certain instances, the Department is unable to provide such services and opportunities due to a lack of available staff, facilities, or funds. It is during these situations that it would be to the advantage of the community that an outside individual, entity or organization, be brought in to provide these desired services. Generally, these services and opportunities are provided on land owned by or under the control of the Department. Therefore, it is imperative that the partnership helps to satisfy or achieve the Department's mission and vision.
- 2. As stated, partnerships must show a clear benefit or address a Department need. The benefit or the addressing of a need should not already be available at the Department facility that it will be provided at or readily available in that facility's community. The benefit or program offered must be free of charge, low cost, or of equal cost to similar programs provided within the same community. The partner must acknowledge that the land or facility being used is owned by or controlled by the Department and therefore must be available to the entire community. Partners may have priority use of said land or facilities as approved by the Department. At all other times, said land or facilities shall be available for the use by the Department or the general public. It is important that there be equal access to all which shall include children with special needs (when applicable).
- 3. The Department's contribution to the partnership is to provide land or facilities owned by or under the control of the Department. All costs associated with the benefit being provided shall be at the partners' expense. The partner shall be responsible for providing all funds needed to design, construct, maintain, and, in some instances, operate any kind of capital improvement. The partner shall be responsible for all materials and related costs, including adequate staff to provide for proper supervision and safety, for programs being provided. Actual costs per participant shall be identified and reported to the Department, if feasible. The partner shall pay for all utility costs, permit fees, or other applicable fees. The partner shall also need to satisfy all City requirements and ordinances, including providing adequate liability insurance that names the City/Department as an additional insured.
- 4. Any partner, should it be an individual, entity or organization, must be qualified to provide the benefit it offers. Qualifications shall include certifications by recognized certifying bodies for that benefit, proven experience through similar services or programs offered by the partner in other places, or proposals reviewed and approved by an evaluation panel composed of Department experts. In addition to qualifications, the partner must prove that it has the resources or the ability to obtain

the resources needed to provide the intended benefit. This shall include but not be limited to actual funds, financial statements, and letters of commitment from funding or grant sources. It is paramount that participants of the benefits or programs offered are satisfied or show progress in learning. Feedback on such matters shall be a factor in determining the continuation or cancellation of any partnership.

5. It is expected that the partner shall be actively engaged in community outreach on a continuing basis to promote its benefits and programs. It is through this outreach that the partner must acknowledge and recognize the Department's role, contribution, and assistance. All partnership related outreach or marketing materials must be approved by the Department. All marketing materials must include "City of Los Angeles, Department of Recreation and Parks" as a recognized partner. The partner is also expected to collaborate in Department program outreach efforts which may include, but not be limited to, mailings and/or flyer distribution. Neither entity will use the other party's name, logo, trademark or trade name without the approval of the other.

### ATTACHMENT B

### RECOMMENDED FURTHER ACTIONS FOR PARTNERSHIPS

# Submitted by the RAP Partnership Committee

- That the Partnership Committee schedule meetings with partners that are considered "High Risk". These are typically partners that provide on-going services without a current agreement in place or are deemed to provide inadequate service. The intent of this is to bring these partners into compliance with the approved policy. If needed, staff will issue temporary right of entry permits to those partners without current agreements.
- That the Partnership Committee members work with the City Attorney to reduce the number of types of agreements the City uses to engage partners. Further, that simplified templates be created for each type that can easily be used by Department staff.
- 3. That the Department create a "Partnership Program" to oversee the various partnerships with its initial tasks as follows:
  - a. Create a database of all partnerships.
  - b. Create a process to issue partners with certificates of recognition for complying with the Board Policy.
  - c. Develop a partnership manual for current and potential partners.
  - d. Develop a website where prospective partners or the general public could obtain information.
  - e. Be able to develop a GIS map of all the partnership locations.
- 4. That the Planning and Development section report back to the Board on the progress of these action items.

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### **RECOMMENDATION:**

#### That the Board:

- 1. Approve, substantially in the form on file in the Board Office, a proposed First Amendment (Amendment) to the Operating Agreement with the State of California, acting through the Sixth District Agricultural Association, also known as the California Science Center (hereinafter "Science Center") for the use of Science Center-owned property, commonly known as the Playfields, for sports related and EXPO Center related uses, subject to the approval of the Mayor, City Council, and the City Attorney as to form;
- 2. Direct the Board Secretary to transmit the Amendment to the Mayor in accordance with Executive Directive No. 3 for review and approval, and concurrently to the City Attorney for review and approval as to form; and,
- 3. Authorize the Board President and Secretary to execute the Amendment upon receipt of the necessary approvals.

#### SUMMARY:

In November 2008, the Board approved (Board Report No. 08-319) the Operating Agreement with Science Center for use of Science Center-owned property, located between Menlo Avenue and Vermont Avenue (Exhibit A) for sports related and EXPO Center related uses. The subject property is commonly known as the "Playfields". The sports related uses include, but are not limited to,

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soccer, football, baseball, t-ball, lawn bowling, volleyball, children's games and similar activities normally conducted on an athletic field. It shall also include practices and tournaments for same. It should be noted that, in addition to the use of the Playfields for athletic/sports uses, the site will also be used for event parking for both the Science Center and the Department.

In accordance with the agreement, the City is obligated to continually maintain the Playfields in a clean and safe condition. This shall include maintenance, clean-up, upkeep, and trash and litter removal and disposal after every regularly scheduled use and/or event, including Expo Park related events.

The Los Angeles City Council (Council) granted its approval of this Agreement in December 2008.

Subsequent to the approvals of both the Board and Council but prior to its execution in April 2009, City and Science Center staff had come to an agreement on certain terms that were not included in the Agreement or required further clarification. Some of these terms are as follows:

- 1. The initial payment of \$50,000 described in Paragraph 4 of the Operating Agreement is not intended to supersede, replace or include any credits toward the annual maintenance fee owed and invoiced for 2008/2009 fiscal year. The initial payment described and those due in subsequent years will constitute the City's future annual payments towards defrayal of park expenses.
- 2. City agrees not to charge for usage of the Playfields in excess of fees charged by the Department of Recreation and Parks for Youth Sports Groups as defined in the City's Rate and Fee Schedule that may be amended from time to time.
- 3. It is the Science Center's intent that the Playfields are to be used for event parking only after all other parking in the park is used first.
- 4. Pursuant to Paragraph 8.6 of the Operating Agreement, the City shall reimburse the Science Center for any lost parking revenue should it not be able to have the Playfields ready for parking during scheduled events. The amount of reimbursement will be in accordance with the formula described in the Amendment, which is based on the average annual usage of the Playfields by the Science Center for parking.
- 5. Should the Science Center utilize Lot 1 for any reason that would prevent its use for parking, Science Center shall use its best efforts to find replacement parking spaces as were available in Lot number 1 as close as possible to Expo Center.

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# **FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:**

Staff does not anticipate any additional costs beyond those already considered in the execution of the Operating Agreement. However, the City may be obligated to provide reimbursement to the Science Center should the City fail to get the Playfields ready for scheduled events. Staff will identify potential sources of funds to pay this obligation should this occur.

This report was prepared by Cid Macaraeg, Sr. Management Analyst II, Real Estate and Asset Management Section, Planning and Development.

ValleyCrest DesignGroup Project No: 173284 Date: January 28, 2008 Expo Center

Exhibit A