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**BOARD OF RECREATION  
AND PARK COMMISSIONERS**

**BOARD REPORT**

**NO.** 20-034

**DATE** February 20, 2020

**C.D.** 14

**BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS**

**SUBJECT:** PECAN RECREATION CENTER – BALLFIELD IMPROVEMENT (PRJ21341) PROJECT – CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION FROM THE PROVISIONS OF THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) PURSUANT TO ARTICLE III, SECTION 1, CLASS 1(12) [LIGHTING FOR SECURITY AND OPERATIONS], CLASS 3(6) [NEW CONSTRUCTION OF ACCESSORY STRUCTURES], AND CLASS 11(6) [PLACEMENT OF MINOR STRUCTURES ACCESSORY TO INSTITUTIONAL FACILITIES] OF CITY CEQA GUIDELINES AND ARTICLE 19, SECTIONS 15301, 15303(e) AND 15311 OF CALIFORNIA CEQA GUIDELINES

AP Diaz	_____	S. Piña-Cortez	_____
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V. Israel	_____	N. Williams	_____



General Manager

Approved   X                        Disapproved \_\_\_\_\_                      Withdrawn \_\_\_\_\_

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Approve the scope of work for the proposed Pecan Recreation Center – Ballfield Improvement (PRJ21341) Project (Project), as described in the Summary of this Report;
2. Approve the allocation of One Million Two Hundred Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$1,225,000.00) in the Department of Recreation and Parks' (RAP) account No. 89-270K-PO for the proposed Project;
3. Find that the proposed Project is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to article III, Section 1, Class 1(12) [Lighting for security and operations], Class 3(6) [New construction of accessory structures], Class 11(6) [Placement of minor structures accessory to institutional facilities] of City CEQA Guidelines and Article 19, Sections 15301, 15303(e) and 15311 of California CEQA Guidelines; and direct RAP staff to file a Notice of Exemption (NOE);
4. Authorize RAP's Chief Accounting Employee to prepare a check to the Los Angeles County Clerk in the amount of Seventy-Five Dollars (\$75.00) for the purpose of filing an NOE; and,

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5. Authorize RAP's Chief Accounting Employee to make technical corrections as necessary to carry out the intent of this Report.

SUMMARY

Pecan Recreation Center is located at 127 South Pecan Street in the Boyle Heights community of the City. This 4.28-acre facility provides a children's play area, multipurpose fields, a gymnasium, an outdoor basketball court, outdoor fitness equipment and a swimming pool for use by the surrounding community. Approximately 7,902 City residents live within one-half mile walking distance of Pecan Recreation Center. Due to the facilities and features it provides, Pecan Recreation Center meets the standard for a community park, as defined in the City's Public Recreation Plan.

PROJECT SCOPE

The scope of work for the proposed Project includes upgrades to the existing ballfield with a new walkway, new dugouts, new bleachers and a new drinking fountain, and the installation of a new T-Ball field, and upgrades to the existing ballfield lights. The Site Plan for the proposed Project is attached to this Report.

The Project was presented to the Facility Repair and Maintenance Commission Task Force on February 6, 2020. The Commission Task Force had no further comments on the Project and recommended that it be forwarded to the Board of Recreation and Park Commissioners for consideration.

PROJECT FUNDING

Upon approval of this Report, One Million Two Hundred Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$1,225,000.00) in AB1290 funds can be allocated to the Project. The full funding for this improvement project was approved by City Council through CF# 19-1523 dated December 10, 2019.

FUNDING SOURCE MATRIX

Source	Fund/Dept/Acct	Amount	Percentage
AB1290 Funds	302/89/89270K-PO	\$1,225,000.00	100%
<b>Total</b>		\$1,225,000.00	100%

PROJECT CONSTRUCTION

RAP staff has determined that sufficient funding has been identified and construction of the proposed Project is anticipated to begin in July, 2020.

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### TREES AND SHADE

The approval of this proposed Project will have no impact on existing trees or shade at Pecan Recreation Center, and no new trees or new shade are proposed to be added to Pecan Recreation Center as a part of this project.

### ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

The proposed Project consists of lighting upgrades, of the construction of new structures accessory to an existing recreation center and of the placement of accessory equipment to said recreation center. As such, RAP staff recommends that the Board of Recreation and Parks Commissioners (Board) determine that it is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article III, Section 1, Class 1(12), Class 3(6) and Class 11(6) of City CEQA Guidelines, as well as to Article 19, Section 15301, 15303 (e) and 15311 of California CEQA Guidelines. An NOE will be filed with the Los Angeles County Clerk upon the Board's approval.

### FISCAL IMPACT

The approval of this allocation of funds and associated design, development and construction of the proposed park improvements will have no fiscal impact on RAP's General Fund.

The maintenance of the proposed park improvements can be performed by current RAP staff with minimal impact to existing maintenance service at this facility.

### STRATEGIC PLAN INITIATIVES AND GOALS

Approval of this Board Report advances RAP's Strategic Plan by supporting:

<b>Goal No. 1:</b>	Provide Safe and Accessible Parks
<b>Outcome No. 2:</b>	All Parks are safe and welcoming
<b>Result:</b>	The addition of the T-Ball field and refurbishment of the park and its amenities will increase accessibility and enhance the user's park experience.

This Report was prepared by Mark Leung, Landscape Architectural Associate III, Planning, Maintenance and Construction Branch.

### LIST OF ATTACHMENTS/EXHIBITS

1) Site Plan



**PECAN RECREATION CENTER - T-BALL FIELD**  
**CONCEPTUAL SITE PLAN**  
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