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## **BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS**

SUBJECT:

HOLLEIGH BERNSON MEMORIAL PARK - PLAYGROUND IMPROVEMENTS (PRJ21374) PROJECT - COMMITMENT OF PARK FEES; CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION FROM THE PROVISIONS OF THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) PURSUANT TO ARTICLE III, SECTION 1, CLASS 1(1) [EXTERNAL ALTERATIONS INVOLVING MINOR CONSTRUCTION WHERE THERE BE NEGLIGIBLE OR NO EXPANSION OF USE] OF CITY CEQA GUIDELINES AND ARTICLE 19, SECTION 15301(a) OF CALIFORNIA CEGA GUIDELINES

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#### RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1. Approve the scope of work for the Holleigh Bernson Memorial Park Playground Improvements (PRJ21374) Project (Project), as described in the Summary of this Report;
- 2. Authorize Department of Recreation and Parks (RAP) staff to commit from the following fund and work order numbers, a maximum of One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00) in Park Fees, for the Holleigh Bernson Playground Improvements (PRJ21374) Project:

FUNDING SOURCE	FUND/DEPT./ACCT. NO.	WORK ORDER NO.	
		QT054240	
	202/90/907461	QT073996	
Park Fees	302/89/89716H	QT073602	
		QM061023	
	302/89/89718H	QP000447	

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- 3. Determine that the proposed Project is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article III, Section 1, Class 1(1) [External alterations involving minor construction where there be negligible or no expansion of use] of City CEQA Guidelines and Article 19, Section 15301(a) Of California CEQA Guidelines;
- 4. Authorize RAP's Chief Accounting Employee or designee to prepare a check to the Los Angeles County Clerk in the amount of \$75.00 for the purpose of filing a Notice of Exemption (NOE); and,
- 5. Authorize RAP staff to make technical corrections as necessary to carry out the intent of this Report.

## <u>SUMMARY</u>

Holleigh Bernson Memorial Park is located at 20500 Sesnon Boulevard in the Porter Ranch community of the City. This 12.51-acre facility provides a playground, two outdoor basketball courts, picnic tables, and a walking path for the surrounding community. Approximately 813 City residents live within a 1/2 mile walking distance of Holleigh Bernson Memorial Park. Due to the size of the park, and the facilities, features, and programs it provides, Holleigh Bernson Memorial Park meets the standard for a community park, as defined in the City's Public Recreation Plan.

## PROJECT SCOPE

The proposed Project includes the replacement of the pour-in-place surfacing around the playground.

## PROJECT FUNDING

Upon approval of this Report, One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00) in Park Fees can be committed to the proposed Project.

These Park Fees were collected within five (5) miles of Holleigh Bernson Memorial Park, which is the standard distance for the commitment of the Park Fees for community recreational facilities pursuant to Los Angeles Municipal Code Section 12.33 E.3.

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## **FUNDING SOURCE MATRIX**

Funding Source	Fund/Dept/Acct	Work Order	Amount	Percentage
Park Fees	302/89/89716H	QT054240 QT073996 QT073602 QM061023	\$99,946.38	99%
Park Fees	302/89/89718H	QP000447	\$53.62	1%
Total			\$100,000.00	100%

## PROJECT CONSTRUCTION

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

## TREES AND SHADE

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

#### ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

The proposed Project consists of external alterations involving minor construction where there be negligible or no expansion of use. As such, staff recommends that the Board of Recreation and Park Commissioners (Board) determines that it is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article III, Section 1, Class 1(1) of City CEQA Guidelines as well as to Article 19, Section 15301(a) of California CEQA Guidelines. A Notice of Exemption will be filed with the Los Angeles County Clerk upon Board's approval.

#### FISCAL IMPACT

The approval of this commitment of Park Fees will have no fiscal impact on RAP's General Fund.

The estimated costs for the design, development, and construction of the proposed park improvements are anticipated to be funded by Park Fees or funding sources other than the RAP's General Fund. The maintenance of the proposed park improvements can be performed by current staff with minimal impact to existing maintenance service at this facility.

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# STRATEGIC PLAN INITIATIVES AND GOALS

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

Goal No. 1: Provide Safe and Accessible Parks
Outcome No. 2: All parks are safe and welcoming

**Result:** The replacement of the existing playground surfacing will increase safety and

enhance the park users' experience.

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