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# BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

### **BOARD REPORT**

NO.	20-213

DATE November 5, 2020

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GRIFFITH PARK - MAINTENANCE YARD SECURITY IMPROVEMENTS SUBJECT: (PRJ21434) PROJECT - COMMITMENT OF PARK FEES - CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION FROM THE **PROVISIONS** THE OF CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) PURSUANT TO ARTICLE III, SECTION 1, CLASS 1(12) [INSTALLATION OF OUTDOOR LIGHTING FOR SECURITY AND OPERATION] AND CLASS 3(4) [INSTALLATION OF NEW EQUIPMENT INVOLVING NEGLIGIBLE OR NO EXPANSION OF USE REQUIRED FOR SAFETY AND THE PUBLIC CONVENIENCE] OF CITY CEQA GUIDELINES AND ARTICLE 19, SECTIONS 15301 AND 15304 OF CALIFORNIA **CEQA GUIDELINES** 

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## RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1. Approve the scope of work for the Griffith Park Maintenance Yard Security Improvements (PRJ21434) Project (Project), as described in the Summary of this Report;
- Authorize Department of Recreation and Parks (RAP) staff to commit from the following fund and work order numbers, a maximum of Two Hundred Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$225,000.00) in Park Fees, for the Griffith Park – Maintenance Yard Security Improvements (PRJ21434) Project:

FUNDING SOURCE	FUND/DEPT./ACCT. NO.	WORK ORDER NO.
Park Fees	302/89/89716H	QT077087
Park Fees	302/89/89718H	QZ900160

3. Determine that the proposed Project is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article III, Section 1, Class 1(12) [Installation of outdoor lighting for security and operation] and Class 3(4) [Installation of new equipment involving negligible or no expansion of use required for safety and the public convenience] of City CEQA Guidelines and Article 19, Sections 15301 and 15304 of California CEQA Guidelines and direct RAP staff to file a Notice of Exemption (NOE);

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- 4. Authorize RAP's Chief Accounting Employee to prepare a check to the Los Angeles County Clerk in the amount of \$75.00 for the purpose of filing an NOE; and,
- 5. Authorize RAP staff to make technical corrections as necessary to carry out the intent of this Report.

### <u>SUMMARY</u>

Griffith Park is located at 4730 Crystal Springs Drive in the Hollywood community of the City. This 4,281.73-acre park provides a variety of recreational programs and activities for the local community. Due to the size of the park, and the facilities, features, programs, and services it provides, Griffith Park meets the standards for a Regional park, as defined in the City's Public Recreation Plan.

### PROJECT SCOPE

The proposed scope of work for the Project includes the installation of security cameras and lighting at the Park Center maintenance yard. The maintenance yard is located on Zoo Drive across the street from the Los Angeles Live Steamers Railroad Museum.

#### PROJECT FUNDING

Upon approval of this Report, Two Hundred Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$225,000.00) in Park Fees can be committed to the proposed Project.

These Park Fees were collected within ten (10) miles of Griffith Park, which is the standard distance for the allocation of Park Fees for regional recreational facilities pursuant to Los Angeles Municipal Code Section 12.33 E.3

#### FUNDING SOURCE MATRIX

Source	Fund/Dept/Acct	Amount	Percentage
Park Fees	302/89/89716H	\$40,991.97	18%
Park Fees	302/89/89718H	\$184,008.03	82%
Total		\$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 November 2020.

#### TREES AND SHADE

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

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## ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

The proposed Project consists of installation of outdoor lighting for security and operation and of installation of new equipment involving negligible or no expansion of use required for safety and the public convenience. As such, RAP staff recommends that the Board of Recreation and Park Commissioners (Board) determines that it is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article III, Section 1, Class 1(12) and Class 3(4), of City CEQA Guidelines and Article 19, Sections 15301 and 15303 of California CEQA Guidelines. RAP staff will file an NOE with the Los Angeles County Clerk upon the 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.

## STRATEGIC PLAN INITIATIVES AND GOALS

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

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

**Result:** The installation of security cameras and lighting will increase safety and enhance the park users' experience.

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