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BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

SUBJECT:

RANCHO CIENEGA PARK – MICHELLE AND BARACK OBAMA SPORTS COMPLEX – BALLFIELD FENCING AND NETTING (PRJ21515) PROJECT—COMMITMENT OF PARK FEES – CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION FROM THE PROVISIONS OF THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) PURSUANT TO ARTICLE III, SECTION 1, CLASS 2 [REPLACEMENT OF EXISTING STRUCTURES WHERE THE NEW STRUCTURE WILL BE LOCATED ON THE SAME SITE AND HAVE SUBSTANTIALLY THE SAME PURPOSE AND CAPACITY AS THE STRUCTURE REPLACED] AND CLASS 3(6) [INSTALLATION OF ACCESSORY APPURTENANT STRUCTURES INCLUDING FENCES] OF CITY CEQA GUIDELINES AND ARTICLE 19, SECTIONS 15302 AND 15303(e) OF CALIFORNIA CEQA GUIDELINES

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RECOMMENDATIONS

- Approve the scope of work of the Rancho Cienega Park Michelle and Barak Obama Sport Complex – Ballfield Fencing and Netting (PRJ21515) 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 Three Hundred Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$330,000.00) in Park Fees for the Project;

FUNDING SOURCE	FUND/DEPT./ACCT. NO.	WORK ORDER NO.	
Park Fees	302/89/89716H	QM183260	
Park Fees	302/89/89716H	QT082553	
Park Fees	302/89/89716H	QT082630	
Park Fees	302/89/89716H	QT074563	

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- 3. Approve the proposed Project to be bid and constructed through the RAP's list of prequalified on-call contractors;
- 4. Approve the authorization of change orders as authorized under Board Report No. 06-136, for the construction contracts for this Project in the budget contingency amounts for such construction contracts as set forth in this Report;
- 5. Determine that the project is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article III, Section 1, Class 2 [Replacement of existing structures where the new structure will be located on the same site and have substantially the same purpose and capacity as the structure replaced] and Class 3(6) [Installation of accessory appurtenant structures including fences] of City CEQA Guidelines and Article 19, Sections 15302 and 15303(e) of California CEQA Guidelines and direct staff to file a Notice of Exemption (NOE) with the Loa Angeles County Clerk
- 6. 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,
- 7. Authorize RAP staff to make technical corrections as necessary to carry out the intent of this Report.

SUMMARY

Rancho Cienega Park is located at 5001 Obama Boulevard. This 28.97 acre facility is home to the Michelle and Barak Obama Sports Complex and contains many sports amenities including the Celes King III Swimming Pool, Jackie Robinson Stadium, Arthur Ashe Tennis Center, Charmette Bonpua Safe Skate Spot, Lonnie Wilson, Jr. Gymnasium and more. An estimated Ten Thousand Six Hundred Fifty Two (10,652) City residents live within a one-half (½) mile walking distance of Rancho Cienega Park. Due to the facilities, features, programs, and services it provides, Rancho Cienega Park meets the standard for a Community Park as defined in the City's Public Recreation Plan.

PROJECT SCOPE

The proposed Project includes the following scope of work:

- Demolition and replacement of existing chain-link fencing on the Southside of ballfields
- Design, Engineering, and Installation of a new 30' netting system that will be integrated/faceted to the top of the newly installed Chain-link fencing.

The purpose of the proposed Project is to prevent balls from entering the north side of new

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recreation center building, which is currently under construction, as well as the adjacent park areas and sidewalks.

PROJECT FUNDING

Upon approval of this Report, Three Hundred Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$330,000.00) in Park Fees can be committed to the proposed Project.

The total amount of funding available for the proposed Project is Three Hundred Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$330,000.00).

The anticipated pre-qualified on-call contracts for this Project will be for Park Facility Construction. The budget contingency for the Park Facility Construction contracts will be Fifty Five Thousand Dollars (\$55,000.00).

These Park Fees were collected within five (5) miles of Rancho Cienega Park, which is the standard distance for the allocation of Quimby Fees for community 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	\$330,000.00	100%
Total		\$330,000.00	100%

PROJECT CONSTRUCTION

RAP staff has determined that sufficient funding has been identified and construction for the Project is anticipated to begin in Winter 2021.

TREES AND SHADE

The proposed Project will have no impact to existing trees or shade.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

The proposed Project consists of replacement of existing structures where the new structure will be located on the same site and have substantially the same purpose and capacity as the structure replaced and installation of accessory (appurtenant) structures including fences.

This site is not within a coastal, methane, or historic zone, so there is no reasonable possibility that the project may impact on an environmental resource of hazardous or critical concern or have a significant effect due to unusual circumstances. No other known projects would involve cumulatively significant impacts, and no future projects would result from the proposed project.

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As of October 8, 2021, the State Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) (Envirostor at www.envirostor.dtsc.ca.gov) has not listed the Project site or any contaminated sites near the Project area (within 500 feet). According to the Caltrans Scenic Highway Map there is no scenic highway located within the vicinity of the project or within the project site. Furthermore, the project is not located in proximity of a known historical resources and will not cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource.

As such, staff recommends that the Board determine that it is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article III, Section 1, Class 2 and Class 3(6) of City CEQA Guidelines and Article 19, Section 15302 and 15303(e) of California CEQA Guidelines. Staff will file a NOE with the Los Angeles County Clerk upon Board's approval.

FISCAL IMPACT

The approval of this allocation 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 no overall 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 the ball field netting will help protect park patrons and park facilities and infrastructure from damage.

This Report was prepared by Darryl Ford, Superintendent, Planning, Maintenance and Construction Branch.