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BOARD REPORT

NO. 25-040

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SUBJECT: MACARTHUR PARK – PLAYGROUND FENCING (PRJ21795) PROJECT – ALLOCATION OF SUPPLEMENTAL QUIMBY FEES – EXEMPT FROM THE PROVISIONS OF THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 5, SECTION 15061(b)(3) [WHERE IT CAN BE SEEN WITH CERTAINTY THAT THERE IS NO POSSIBILITY THAT THE ACTIVITY IN QUESTION MAY HAVE A SIGNIFICANT EFFECT ON THE ENVIRONMENT, THE ACTIVITY IS NOT SUBJECT TO CEQA] OF CALIFORNIA CEQA GUIDELINES AND ARTICLE II, SECTION 2(i) OF CITY CEQA GUIDELINES

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RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1. Approve the scope of work and the total budget of the MacArthur Park Playground Fencing (PRJ21795) Project (Project), as described in the Summary of this Report;
- Authorize RAP's Chief Accounting Employee to transfer \$70,000.00 in Quimby Fees from the Quimby Fees Account No. 89460K-00 to the MacArthur Park Account No. 89460K-MD;
- 3. Approve the allocation of \$70,000.00 in Quimby Fees from the MacArthur Park Account No. 89460K-MD to the proposed Project;
- 4. Approve the Project to be bid and constructed through RAP's list of pre-qualified on-call contractors;
- 5. 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 contracts as stated in this Report;
- 6. Determine that the allocation of additional Quimby Fees to the proposed Project is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article 5, Section 15061(b)(3) [Where it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that

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the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment, the activity is not subject to CEQA] of California CEQA Guidelines and Article II, Section 2(i) of City CEQA Guidelines and direct staff to file a Notice of Exemption (NOE) with the Los Angeles County Clerk and the Governor's Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation;

- 7. 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 an NOE; and,
- 8. Authorize RAP staff to make technical corrections as necessary to carry out the intent of this Report.

SUMMARY

MacArthur Park is located at 2230 West 6th Street in the Westlake community of the City. This 29.87-acre property includes a play area, band shell, lake, synthetic meadow, 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.

PROJECT SCOPE

On July 18, 2024, the Board of Recreation and Park Commissioners (Board) approved the following scope of work (Report No. 24-152):

• Installation of fencing around the playground located in the southwest portion of the park.

RAP staff has determined that additional funding is required to complete the previously approved scope of work.

PROJECT FUNDING

Previously, the Board approved scope of work and total budget of \$155,337.27 for the MacArthur Park – Playground Fencing Project (Report No. 24-152).

Upon approval of this Report, \$70,000.00 in additional Quimby Fees can be transferred from Quimby Account No. 89460K-00 to MacArthur Park Account No. 89460K-MD and allocated to the Project.

The total amount of funding available for the Project including the supplemental Quimby Fees is \$225,337.27, which is the total budget of the Project inclusive of the budget contingency amount set forth below.

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See below the anticipated pre-qualified on-call contract(s) and budget contingency amount(s) that will be used for the Project:

On-Call Contract	Contingency Amount
Park Facility Construction	\$30,000.00

The Quimby Fees were collected within five miles of MacArthur 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
Quimby Fees	302/89/89460K-MD	\$225,337.27	100%
Total		\$225,337.27	100%

PROJECT CONSTRUCTION

RAP Staff has determined that sufficient funding has been identified for the Project. See below the updated Project schedule:

Phase	Duration	
Predesign	N/A	
Design	N/A	
Bid and Award	January 2025 – March 2025	
Construction	April 2025 – August 2025	
Post-Construction	September 2025 – January 2026	

TREES AND SHADE

The proposed Project will have no impact on the existing trees and shade at MacArthur Park.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

The proposed Board action consists of the allocation of additional funding to an existing project that has already been exempted from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) on July 18, 2024 (Report No. 24-152).

No change in the Project is included in this approval, so it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment.

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Based on this observation, staff recommend that the Board determines that the proposed Board action be exempt from the provisions of CEQA pursuant to Article 5, Section 15061(b)(3) and Article II, Section 2(i) of City CEQA Guidelines. Staff will file a Notice of Exemption (NOE) with the Los Angeles County Clerk and with the Governor's Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation upon Board's approval.

FISCAL IMPACT

The approval of this allocation of Quimby 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 Quimby Fees or funding sources other than 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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