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BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

BOARD REPORT

NO. 24-054

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SUBJECT: VAN NUYS SHERMAN OAKS WAR MEMORIAL PARK – SOCCER FIELDS REPLACEMENTS (PRJ21640) (PRJ21639) PROJECT – COMMITMENT OF SUPPLEMENTAL PARK FEES – EXEMPT FROM THE PROVISIONS OF THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 5, SECTION 15061(b)(3) [THE ACTIVITY IS COVERED BY THE COMMON SENSE EXEMPTION THAT CEQA APPLIES ONLY TO PROJECTS WHICH HAVE THE POTENTIAL FOR CAUSING A SIGNIFICANT EFFECT ON THE ENVIRONMENT; 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

B. Aguirre _____ M. Rudnick _____
B. Jones _____ for* C. Santo Domingo DF
B. Jackson _____ N. Williams _____

General Manager

Approved X

Disapproved _____

Withdrawn _____

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Approve the revised total budget of the Van Nuys Sherman Oaks War Memorial – Soccer Fields Replacement (PRJ21640) (PRJ21639) 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 an additional Six Hundred Four Thousand, Four Hundred Ninety-Seven Dollars and Eighty-Nine Cents (\$604,497.89) in Park Fees for the Project;

<u>FUNDING SOURCE</u>	<u>FUND/DEPT./ACCT. NO.</u>	<u>WORK ORDER NO.</u>
Park Fees	302/89/89716H	QT061216
Park Fees	302/89/89716H	QT072802
Park Fees	302/89/89718H	QP003452
Park Fees	302/89/89718H	QP003627
Park Fees	302/89/89718H	QP003709
Park Fees	302/89/89718H	QP003572
Park Fees	302/89/89718H	QP002002
Park Fees	302/89/89718H	QP003384

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<u>FUNDING SOURCE</u>	<u>FUND/DEPT./ACCT. NO.</u>	<u>WORK ORDER NO.</u>
Park Fees	302/89/89718H	QP003404
Park Fees	302/89/89718H	QP003672
Park Fees	302/89/89718H	QP002735
Park Fees	302/89/89716H	QT082510
Park Fees	302/89/89718H	QP003132

3. Determine that the proposed Board action – approval of the revised total budget and commitment of supplemental Park Fees – is statutorily exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article 5, Section 15061(b)(3) [The activity is covered by the common sense exemption that CEQA applies only to projects which have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment; 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 and direct staff to file a Notice of Exemption (NOE) with the Los Angeles County Clerk;
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 an NOE; and,
5. Authorize RAP staff to make technical corrections as necessary to carry out the intent of this Report.

SUMMARY

Van Nuys Sherman Oaks War Memorial Park (Park) is located at 14201 West Huston Street in the Sherman Oaks area of the City. This 65.18-acre facility provides synthetic turf soccer fields, a recreation center, aquatic center, tennis courts, basketball courts, and a play area for the surrounding communities. Approximately 9,865 City residents live within a one-half mile walking distance of Van Nuys Sherman Oaks War Memorial Park. Due to the facilities, features, programs, and services it provides, Van Nuys Sherman Oaks War Memorial Park meets the standard for a Community Park, as defined in the City’s Public Recreation Plan.

PROJECT SCOPE

On August 4, 2022, The Recreation and Park Board of Commissioners (Board) approved the following scope of work for the Project (Report No. 22-208):

- Removal of three (3) existing synthetic turf soccer fields.
- Installation of three (3) new synthetic turf soccer fields.

During the process of bidding and awarding the project, the quotes came back significantly higher than anticipated for the current project scope detailed above.

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PROJECT FUNDING

Previously, the Board approved the commitment of Three Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$300,000.00) in Park Fees to the Project (Report No. 22-208). Additionally, the Project received Three Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$300,000.00) from the Municipal Sports Account.

Upon approval of this Report, an additional Six Hundred Four Thousand, Four Hundred Ninety-Seven Dollars and Eighty-Nine Cents (\$604,497.89) in Park Fees can committed to the Project, which is the total budget including the budget contingency amount set forth below.

The total amount of funding available for the Project is One Million, Two Hundred Four Thousand, Four Hundred Ninety-Seven Dollars and Eighty-Nine Cents (\$1,204,497.89).

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
Turf Construction	\$ 250,000.00

The Park Fees were collected within five (5) miles of Van Nuys Sherman Oaks War Memorial Park, which is the standard distance for the commitment of Park 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
Municipal Sports Account	301/88/88013M	\$300,000.00	25%
Park Fees	302/89/89716H	\$270,564.81	22%
Park Fees	302/89/89718H	\$633,933.08	53%
Total		\$1,204,497.89	100%

PROJECT CONSTRUCTION

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

Phase	Duration
Pre-design	N/A
Design	N/A
Bid and Award	November 2023 - January 2024
Construction	February 2024 – July 2024
Post Construction	August 2024 – February 2025

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TREES AND SHADE

The Project will have no impact on the existing trees and shade at of Van Nuys Sherman Oaks War Memorial Park.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

The proposed Board action consists of activities – approval of the revised total budget and commitment of supplemental Park Fees – for which the underlying Project has previously been evaluated for environmental significance. The Project has not been changed and no potential environmental impacts can reasonably be expected.

Based on these considerations staff recommend that the Board of Recreation and Park Commissioners (Board) determines that the proposed Board action is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article 5, Section 15061(b)(3) of California CEQA Guidelines and to Article II, Section 2(i) of City of Los Angeles CEQA Guidelines. Staff will file a Notice of Exemption with the Los Angeles County Clerk upon Board's approval.

FISCAL IMPACT

The approval of the revised total budget and commitment of supplemental Park Fees for the Project 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 RAP's General Fund.

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