

REPORT OF GENERAL MANAGER

NO. 02-184 Revised

DATE May 1, 2002

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BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

SUBJECT: QUIMBY EXPENDITURE: NORTHRIDGE RECREATION CENTER: FUNDING FOR OUTDOOR PARK IMPROVEMENTS

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Approved _____

Disapproved _____

Withdrawn _____

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Board :

1. Approve the expenditure of \$20,000.00 in Quimby funds from the Northridge Recreation Center Sub-account (944 NT) to provide funding for outdoor park improvements including fencing, grading, drinking fountain upgrade and baseball field backstop replacement; and,
2. Authorize the Chief Accounting Employee to appropriate \$20,000.00 in Quimby funds from the Northridge Recreation Center Sub-account (944 NT) to fund the outdoor park improvements.

SUMMARY:

The Northridge Recreation Center has problems in their facility that require immediate attention. The outdoor park area needs improvements at the baseball field area including: fencing, minor grading, baseball field backstop replacement and other related field improvements. These improvements are necessary to avoid potential hazards to park patrons and improve the efficiency of the fields especially during the multiple games and activities scheduled during the current baseball season.

There is approximately \$36,000.00 in available Quimby funds at Northridge Recreation Center Sub Account (944 NT), which is sufficient to use \$20,000.00 of this money for this expenditure. It is therefore recommended that the Chief Accounting Employee be authorized to appropriate \$20,000.00 in Quimby fees to fund the outdoor park improvement, including the replacement of the baseball field backstop.

Staff has determined that the subject property will consist of the removal and replacement of an existing accessory structure in an established park, and therefore, is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article VII, Section 1, Class 1 (11) and Class 2 of the City CEQA Guidelines.

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Staff recommends approval of this expenditure. The Council Office and Valley Region Superintendent concur with the recommendation.

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