

REPORT OF GENERAL MANAGER

NO. 04-294

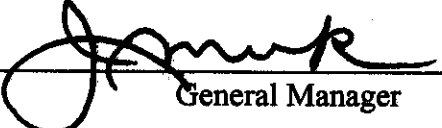
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BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

SUBJECT: **PARK FEES/QUIMBY FEES ALLOCATION: BRANFORD RECREATION CENTER: BUILDING AND BASEBALL DIAMOND IMPROVEMENTS**

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General Manager

Approved _____

Disapproved _____

Withdrawn _____

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Board approve the allocation and appropriation of \$10,000.00 in 03/04 FY Park Fees for Branford Recreation Center Sub-account (440KBR), and approve the appropriation of \$85,000.00 in current Quimby /Park Fees from the Branford Recreation Center sub-accounts (460KBR/440KBR), for a total of \$95,000.00 for building and baseball diamond improvements at the facility.

SUMMARY:

Branford Recreation Center needs building improvements, including refurbishment of the air conditioning system. The existing system is outdated, deteriorated and ineffective. The air conditioning system refurbishment would install a high efficiency 40-ton unit, with state-of-the art thermostats and new disconnects. In addition, baseball diamond improvements are needed at this site, including bleachers, concrete pads and minor irrigation installation. It is estimated that the air conditioning refurbishment would cost approximately \$75,000.00 and the baseball diamond improvement will cost \$20,000.00. Operations West will be responsible for spending \$95,000.00 in Quimby/Park Fees, using Department forces and employing a suitable vendor to complete this project.

The Branford Recreation Center sub-account (460KBR/440KBR) currently has \$85,429.00 in Quimby Park Fees as of June 30, 2004, which is not sufficient to completely fund this project. Therefore, it is recommended that an additional \$10,000.00 in Park Fees, which were collected in 03/04FY, be allocated and appropriated to Branford Recreation Center (440KBR), and that a total of \$95,000.00 be set aside for the building and baseball diamond improvements. These fees were collected within a mile and a half from Branford Recreation Center, which is the standard distance for allocation of Park Fees. Any remaining funds will be used for future outdoor park improvements.

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Staff has determined that the subject project will consist of replacement of existing air conditioning systems and ball field improvements, and therefore, is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article III, Section 1, Class 2(6), Class 11(3) of the City CEQA Guidelines

On June 16, 2004, the Board approved the Park Fees Project and Expenditure Program for Fiscal Years 1999-2003 (Board Report No. 04-216). This Program is a 5-year Plan which specifies 641 projects at 210 facilities. As the Board approved funding for all potential projects listed in the Program, it is also necessary to submit CEQA clearances for individual projects as they are approved. One project listed in the Program is bleacher improvements which is a component of this Project at Branford Recreation Center. Staff has determined that the subject project is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), pursuant to Article III, Section 1, Class 1 (12) of the City CEQA.

Staff recommends approval of the allocation and appropriation for this project. The Council District and Operations West staff supports the recommendations as set forth by the Department.

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