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REPORT OF GENERAL MANAGER

NO. 06-85

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SUBJECT: GRIFFITH PARK - DISPOSITION OF A \$50,000 SETTLEMENT FROM A PRIVATE PARTY FOR DAMAGED TREES GRIFFITH REGION

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RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board:

1. Direct the Chief Accounting Employee to set up an account within Recreation and Parks Fund 302, Department 89, for use in service to, and replacement of trees in Griffith Park; and
2. Authorize the Chief Accounting Employee to transfer the \$50,000 settlement to the new Griffith Park trees account.

SUMMARY:

The City of Los Angeles filed a law suit against Contractors Cargo Company for labor costs and the destruction and damage to trees caused by the transportation of a 20-foot pipe through Griffith Park for the City of Burbank on June 5, 2004. A total of 22 trees sustained damage that ranged from being split in half to having large scaffolding limbs broken off. The law suit was settled out of court for \$50,000 and these monies were temporarily deposited into the 89 Revenue Source Account until a designated Griffith Park trees account could be created.

The immediate and long term plans for the use of this funding is to provide for the replacement of trees that were destroyed and removed, and for the care and maintenance of trees that were damaged but not removed.

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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

There is no fiscal impact to the Department. These funds will help the Department to expand services in Griffith Park.

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