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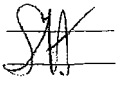
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SUBJECT: ANTHONY C. BEILENSON (LAKE BALBOA) PARK – UNIVERSAL ACCESS  
PLAYGROUND (W.O. #E1904590): ALLOCATION AND APPROPRIATION OF  
QUIMBY FEES

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RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board:

1. Authorize the appropriation of \$60,802.00 in Quimby fees currently at the Lake Balboa Park sub-account (460K-LO) for the construction of Beilenson (Lake Balboa) Park – Universal Access Playground project (W.O. #E1904590);
2. Authorize the allocation of \$24,400.00 in Quimby fees, which were collected in the 2004-2005 Fiscal Year, to the Lake Balboa Park sub-account (460K-LO);
3. Authorize the appropriation of \$6,526.00 in Quimby fees at the Lake Balboa Park sub-account (460K-LO), which were collected during the 2004-2005 Fiscal Year, for the construction of the Beilenson (Lake Balboa) Park – Universal Access Playground project (W.O. #E1904590).

SUMMARY:

The project scope for the Beilenson (Lake Balboa) Park – Universal Access Playground project (W.O. #E1904590) consists of the construction of a new universal access playground of approximately 19,600 square feet while utilizing the existing play pits and existing restrooms.

The Bureau of Engineering (BOE) Architectural Division originally estimated the total project cost at \$899,000.00, to be funded by Proposition 40 Specified (AB 716) Grant Program. However, Architectural Division staff currently estimates that the total project cost to be \$1,071,000.00, as

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approved by the L.A. for Kids Steering Committee on October 27, 2005. The total project cost increase of \$172,000.00 is due to the thriving construction market and recent increases in steel, concrete, and oil cost estimates. BOE has been receiving bids that are consistently between 25 to 35 percent over the City estimates. This project cost increase leaves this project with a shortfall of \$172,000.00.

The Capital Improvement Expenditure Program (CIEP) will fund \$104,672.00 of the shortfall, subject to City Council approval. The Board is being asked to appropriate the Quimby fees by approving this report to fund the remaining \$67,328.00 shortfall.

Currently, there are available Quimby fees in the amount of \$60,802.00, which can be appropriated for the Beilenson (Lake Balboa) Park – Universal Access Playground project (W.O. #E1904590) upon the approval of this report. In addition, there were Quimby fees collected in 2004-2005 Fiscal Year in the amount of \$24,440.00, which can be allocated to the Lake Balboa Park sub-account (460K-LO), and \$6,526.00 of these fees can be appropriated for this project upon approval of this report. These Quimby fees were collected within two miles of the Beilenson (Lake Balboa) Park, which is the standard distance for the allocation of Quimby fees for community parks.

Council District 3 and Valley Region staff support the recommendations as set forth in this Report.

Staff has determined that the subject project will consist of construction of a new playground and placement of new playground equipment. Therefore, the project is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article III, Section 1, Class 11(3) of the City CEQA Guidelines.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

Upon Board approval of the allocation and appropriation of \$67,328.00 in Quimby fees, there will be additional funds to complete this project. The construction of the new universal access playground may increase operation and maintenance costs at the facility, which will be requested through the Department's standard budget process.

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