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June 09, 2025
**BOARD OF RECREATION
AND PARK COMMISSIONERS**

BOARD REPORT

NO. 25-083

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SUBJECT: GREENWOOD SQUARE PARK – PLAYGROUND SURFACING REPLACEMENT (PRJ21867) PROJECT – COMMITMENT OF PARK FEES – CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION FROM THE PROVISIONS OF THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 19, SECTION 15302 [REPLACEMENT OR RECONSTRUCTION OF EXISTING STRUCTURES AND FACILITIES WHERE THE NEW STRUCTURE WILL BE LOCATED ON THE SAME SITE AS THE STRUCTURE REPLACED AND WILL HAVE SUBSTANTIALLY THE SAME PURPOSE AND CAPACITY] OF CALIFORNIA CEQA GUIDELINES AS WELL AS ARTICLE III, SECTION 1, CLASS 2 OF CITY CEQA GUIDELINES

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



General Manager

Approved X Disapproved _____ Withdrawn _____

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Approve the scope of work and the total budget of the Greenwood Square Park – Playground Surfacing Replacement (PRJ21867) Project (Project), as described in the Summary of this Report;
2. Authorize Department of Recreation and Parks (RAP) staff to commit from the fund and work order numbers a maximum of \$71,564.79 in Park Fees for proposed Project;

<u>FUNDING SOURCE</u>	<u>FUND/DEPT./ACCT. NO.</u>	<u>WORK ORDER NO.</u>
Park Fees	302/89/89718H	QZ150393

3. Approve the Project to be bid and constructed through the RAP list of pre-qualified on-call contractors;
4. Approve the authorization of change orders as authorized under Board Report No. 06-136, for the construction contracts for this Project in the budget contingency amounts for such contracts as stated in this Report;

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5. Determine that the Project is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article 19, Section 15302 [Replacement or reconstruction of existing structures and facilities where the new structure will be located on the same site as the structure replaced and will have substantially the same purpose and capacity] of California CEQA Guidelines as well as Article III, Section 1, Class 2 of City CEQA Guidelines, and direct staff to file a Notice of Exemption (NOE) with the Los Angeles County Clerk and the Governor's Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation;
6. Authorize RAP's Chief Accounting Employee to prepare a check to the Los Angeles County Clerk in the amount of \$75.00 for the purpose of filing a Notice of Exemption (NOE); and,
7. Authorize RAP staff to make technical corrections as necessary to carry out the intent of this Report.

SUMMARY

Greenwood Square Park is located at 14101 Sherman Way in the Van Nuys community of the City. This 0.33-acre facility provides a children's play area, benches, and walking path for the surrounding community. Due to the facility's size, features, programs and services it provides, Greenwood Square Park meets the standard for a Neighborhood Park, as defined in the City's Public Recreation Plan.

PROJECT SCOPE

The scope of work of the Project involves the replacement of the existing pour-in-place (PIP) surfacing of the playground.

PROJECT FUNDING

Upon approval of this Report, \$71,564.79 in Park Fees can be committed to the proposed Project, which is the total budget including budget contingency.

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
Playground Construction	\$20,000.00

The Park Fees were collected within two miles of Greenwood Square Park, which is the standard distance for the commitment of Park Fees for neighborhood recreational facilities pursuant to Los Angeles Municipal Code Section 12.33 E.3.

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FUNDING SOURCE MATRIX

Source	Fund/Dept/Acct	Amount	Percentage
Park Fees	302/89/89718H	\$71,564.79	100%
Total		\$71,564.79	100%

PROJECT CONSTRUCTION

RAP Staff has determined that sufficient funding has been identified for the Project.

See below the anticipated Project schedule:

Phase	Duration
Predesign	N/A
Design	N/A
Bid and Award	June 2025
Construction	June 2025 – July 2025
Post Construction	August 2025 – February 2026

TREES AND SHADE

The proposed Project has no impact on the existing shade and trees at Greenwood Square Park.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

The proposed Project consists of the replacement of existing structures where the new structure will be located on the same site as the structure replaced and have substantially the same purpose and capacity.

According to the parcel profile report retrieved on May 21, 2025, this site is not within a coastal, methane, historic protection or liquefaction zone, so there is no reasonable possibility that the proposed Project may impact on an environmental resource of hazardous or critical concern or have a significant effect due to unusual circumstances. No other known projects would involve cumulatively significant impacts, and no future projects would result from the proposed Project. As of May 21, 2025, the State Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) (Envirostor at www.envirostor.dtsc.ca.gov) and the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) (Geotracker at <https://geotracker.waterboards.ca.gov/>) have not listed the Project site or any contaminated sites near the Project area (within 1,000 feet). According to the Caltrans Scenic Highway Map, there is no scenic highway located within – or adjacent to – the Project site. Furthermore, the proposed Project is not within an historic site and will not have any significant effect on historic resources.

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Based on this information, RAP staff recommends that the Board of Recreation and Park Commissioners (Board) determines that the proposed Project is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article 19, Section 15302 of California CEQA Guidelines and Article III Section 1, Class 2 of City CEQA Guidelines. Staff will file a Notice of Exemption with the Los Angeles County Clerk and the Governor's Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation upon Board's approval.

FISCAL IMPACT

The approval of this commitment of Park Fees 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. The maintenance of the proposed park improvements can be performed by current staff with minimal impact to existing maintenance service at this facility.

This Report was prepared by David Lee, Management Assistant, Planning, Maintenance and Construction Branch.