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BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

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SUBJECT: DOROTHY J. & BENJAMIN B. SMITH PARK – NEW FENCING (PRJ21879) PROJECT – ALLOCATION OF QUIMBY FEES – CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION FROM THE PROVISIONS OF THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 19, SECTION 15303(e) [INSTALLATION OF ACCESSORY (APPURTENANT) STRUCTURES INCLUDING GARAGES, CARPORTS, PATIOS, SWIMMING POOLS, AND FENCES] OF CALIFORNIA CEQA GUIDELINES AND ARTICLE III, SECTION 1, CLASS 3(6) OF CITY CEQA GUIDELINES

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



 General Manager

Approved X Disapproved _____ Withdrawn _____

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Approve the scope of work and the total budget of the Dorothy J. & Benjamin B. Smith Park – New Fencing (PRJ21879) Project (Project), as described in the Summary of this Report;
2. Authorize RAP’s Chief Accounting Employee to transfer \$250,000.00, in Quimby Fees from the Quimby Fees Account No. 89460K-00 to the Dorothy J. & Benjamin B. Smith Park Account No. 89460K-LT;
3. Approve the allocation of \$250,000.00 in Quimby Fees from the Dorothy J. & Benjamin B. Smith Park Account No. 89460K-LT to the proposed Project;
4. Approve the Project to be bid and constructed through RAP’s list of pre-qualified on-call contractors;
5. 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;
6. Find that the proposed Project aims to install an accessory structure, which is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), pursuant of Article 19, Section 15303(e) [Installation of accessory (appurtenant) structures including garages,

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carports, patios, swimming pools, and fences] as well as pursuant of Article III, Section 1, Class 3(6) of the 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;

- 7. 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 an NOE; and,
- 8. Authorize RAP staff to make technical corrections as necessary to carry out the intent of this Report.

SUMMARY

Dorothy J. & Benjamin B. Smith Park is located at 7020 Franklin Ave in the Hollywood community of the City. This 0.49 acre facility provides fitness equipment, landscaped areas and for the surrounding community. Due to the facility’s size, features, programs and services it provides, Dorothy J. & Benjamin B. Smith 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 proposed Project involves the installation of new steel tubular fencing around the park.

RAP has also received a request from the Office of Council District 13 to develop Dorothy J. & Benjamin B. Smith Park from a passive park into a new dog park. Staff is currently working on a preliminary design of the dog park and initiating the community engagement process.

PROJECT FUNDING

Upon approval of this Report, \$250,000.00 in Quimby Fees can be transferred from Quimby Fee Account No. 89460K-00 to the Dorothy J. & Benjamin B. Smith Park Account No. 89460K-LT and allocated 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
Park Facility Construction	\$ 50,000.00

The Quimby Fees were collected within 2 miles of Dorothy J. & Benjamin B. Smith Park, which is the standard distance for the allocation of Quimby 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
Quimby Fees	302/89/89460K-LT	\$250,000.00	100%
Total		\$250,000.00	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	NA
Design	NA
Bid and Award	November 2025 – January 2025
Construction	February 2026 – June 2026
Post Construction	July 2026 – December 2027

TREES AND SHADE

The proposed Project has no impact on the existing shade and trees at Dorothy J. & Benjamin B. Smith Park.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

Based on the description of the scope of work, the proposed Project will consist of installing a new accessory item such as fencing around a park facility.

Based on the parcel profile retrieved on January 21, 2026 through NavigateLA (<https://navigate.lacity.org/navigate/>), this site is not located within a coastal, methane, or historical preservation zone. The Project site is located within a 500-year flood zone and a liquefaction zone, and near the Alquist-Priolo fault zone. The Project does not present any risk of impacting the geological stability of the area since the work does not involve breaking ground. As of January 23, 2026, the State Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) (Envirostor at <https://www.envirostor.dtsc.ca.gov/>) does not list any contaminated sites situated within 1,000 feet of the project site. As for the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) (Geotracker at <https://geotracker.waterboards.ca.gov/>), the agency presents one cleanup program site listed as complete (Phylrich International, SL204BH2353) and it is not at any risk of impact from the fencing installation. When reviewing the Caltrans Scenic Highway Map, no scenic highways travel near the vicinity of the target facility. With regards to Historic-Cultural Monuments, the Project site sits near the Villa Bonita (National Register, Ref# 86001950), Woman’s Club of Hollywood (National Register, Ref# 16000883), First United Methodist Church of Hollywood (Monument #248), and the Magic Castle (Monument #406), but the installation of fencing does not pose any risk of impact to any local historical resources.

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As a result of the environmental impact analysis, RAP staff recommends that the Board of Recreation and Park Commissioners (Board) determines that it is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article 19, Sections 15303(e) of California CEQA Guidelines, as well as Article III, Section 1, Class 3(6) of the City CEQA Guidelines. Staff will file a Notice of Exemption (NOE) with the Los Angeles County Clerk and the Governor's Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation upon the Board's approval.

FISCAL IMPACT

The approval of this allocation of Quimby 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 Quimby 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.

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