



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Department Name: Parks
Department No.: 052
For Agenda Of: April 14, 2009
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Tme:
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: 4/5

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Department Daniel C. Hernandez (568-2461)
Director(s)
Contact Info: Erik Axelson, South County Deputy Parks Director (681-5651)

SUBJECT: Allocation of \$18,000 from the South Coast West Quimby Fee Agency Fund
Towards the Renovation of Pedestrian Bridges in Anisq'Oyo' Park in the Isla Vista
Community; Third Supervisorial District

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: N/A

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Other Concurrence:

As to form: N/A

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors approve a budget revision to appropriate \$18,000 from the South Coast West Quimby Fee Agency Fund (#1400) towards the renovation of pedestrian bridges in Anisq'Oyo' Park in the Isla Vista community.

Summary Text:

Anisq'Oyo' Park is located in the unincorporated community of Isla Vista and is operated and maintained by the Isla Vista Recreation and Park District. Three pedestrian bridges located within this park are in varying stages of disrepair. In December 2008, the District's Board of Directors authorized the use of State Proposition 40 grant funds to finance the majority (\$162,000) of the total costs (\$180,000) to rehabilitate these bridges.

The District submitted a letter to the County Parks Department in December 2008 requesting that \$18,000 be allocated from South Coast West Quimby funds to fund the remaining cost for this capital project, which would provide for continued safe ingress and egress to this community park. It is therefore recommended that \$18,000 be allocated from the South Coast West Quimby Fund for this project.

Background:

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Anisq'Oyo' Park, located between Embarcadero del Mar and Embarcadero del Norte in Isla Vista, was the first community-instituted park in unincorporated Isla Vista. The park was originally constructed by community volunteers in 1974 and has been operated and maintained by the Isla Vista Recreation & Park District since then. The park includes a handicapped-accessible amphitheater and stage, which are used for live outdoor performances. The amphitheater may be rented by members of the public to present live music and other events.

Other features of the park include a rustic windmill and a large pond, which provides habitat for birds, frogs, turtles, and other wildlife. The park also contains children's play equipment, picnic tables and benches, and a public restroom.

Rehabilitation of three pedestrian bridges in and around the pond and related wetland drainage swales is a key component of the District's enhancement program for this heavily-used park. The three bridges are in varying degrees of disrepair:

1. The eastern bridge has been closed to public access since the spring of 2008 for safety reasons;
2. The main bridge facilitating major ingress and egress to the park may need to be closed if not repaired soon; and
3. The pedestrian sidewalk bridge is also in need of less extensive repair.

In December 2008, the District's Board of Directors authorized the use of State Proposition 40 block grant funds to finance the majority (\$162,000) of the total costs (\$180,000) to rehabilitate these three bridges. The District submitted a letter to the County Parks Department in December 2008 (attached) requesting that \$18,000 be allocated from South Coast West Quimby funds to fund the remaining cost for the bridge repair project.

Rehabilitation of these three bridges will allow the District to improve and facilitate pedestrian flow through this park in the central core of the Isla Vista community. Financial support of this project by the County will also serve to enhance the working relationship between County Parks and the Isla Vista Recreation and Park District.

The Park Commission approved this funding request at its February 26, 2009 meeting.

Performance Measure:

N/A

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: No

Fiscal Analysis:

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<u>Funding Sources</u>	<u>Current FY Cost:</u>	<u>Annualized On-going Cost:</u>	<u>Total One-Time Project Cost</u>
General Fund			
State			
Federal			
Fees (South Coast West Quimby Fee Fund)	\$ 18,000.00		\$ 18,000.00
Other:			
Total	\$ 18,000.00	\$ -	\$ 18,000.00

Narrative:

The requested funding (\$18,000) is available from the South Coast West Quimby Fee Agency Fund (#1400). Use of the South Coast West Quimby Fee funds are restricted to park or recreational facilities within the South Coast West Quimby and Development Fee Demand Area. The current combined balance in the South Coast West Quimby and Development Fee Agency Funds is \$652,079. Approval of this request, along with the \$35,000 request for the Tucker's Grove art structure replacement on this same Board agenda, will reduce the remaining balance in these Funds to \$599,079.

Staffing Impacts:

Legal Positions:

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FTEs:

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Special Instructions:

Clerk of the Board to provide a copy of the minute order to the Parks Department/Administration, Attn: Mike Gibson.

Attachments:

Attachment 1 – Letter of Request from Isla Vista Recreation & Park District

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cc:

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