



CITY OF SANTA BARBARA

COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

AGENDA DATE: December 4, 2007

TO: Mayor and Councilmembers

FROM: Parks Division, Parks and Recreation Department

SUBJECT: Acceptance Of Proposition 12 Grant Funds For Dwight Murphy Park Sports Field Fencing Project

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council increase appropriations and estimated revenues by \$38,191 in the Fiscal Year 2008 Parks and Recreation Capital Budget for the Dwight Murphy Park Sports Field Fencing Project based on receiving a \$103,191 Proposition 12 Per Capita Grant from the California Department of Parks and Recreation.

DISCUSSION:

Background

On March 7, 2000, California voters approved the Safe Neighborhood Parks, Clean Water, Clean Air, and Coastal Protection Bond Act of 2000, also known as Proposition 12. The intent of the Bond Act is to revive state stewardship of natural resources by investing in neighborhood parks and state parks, clean water protection, and coastal beaches and scenic areas.

Proposition 12 provided \$824.5 million for local projects, including \$338 million to be distributed on a per capita basis. The City of Santa Barbara's allocation for the Per Capita Grant Program is \$842,000. Parks and Recreation projects that benefit from per capita grant funds, include the Franceschi Park Rehabilitation for \$300,000; Oak Park Bridge Replacement for \$130,000; Old Mission Creek Restoration at Bohnett Park for \$175,000; Tennis Lighting Control Project for \$57,000; the Los Banos Discharge Project for \$75,000; and Dwight Murphy Park Sports Field Fencing for \$103,191.

REVIEWED BY: _____ Finance _____ Attorney

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In order to receive per capita funds, the California Department of Parks and Recreation requires the City submit specific project applications once preliminary design and environmental reviews are complete. On November 15, 2007, the Parks Division submitted an application for the repair and replacement of sports field fencing at Dwight Murphy Park.

Dwight Murphy Park Sports Field Fencing

The purpose of the project is to install 1,350 lineal feet of concrete curbing and replace approximately 1,855 lineal feet of sports field fencing at Dwight Murphy Park. Fencing will be 5-6 feet high chain link fence and galvanized steel posts with an additional depth of 8-12 inches at each post for an added poured concrete footing. The anticipated project completion date is January 25, 2008.

BUDGET/FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

The total estimated cost of the project is \$103,191. This includes \$69,091 for construction and installation of the concrete curbing and \$34,100 for installation of the fencing. The Parks and Recreation Department originally budgeted \$65,000 for this project from expected Proposition 40 grant funds in FY 2006. However, after cost estimates were completed and staff determined that Proposition 12 was the more appropriate funding source, staff applied for a Proposition 12 grant in the amount of \$103,191.

There is currently \$65,000 in the Parks and Recreation capital budget for the project. Therefore, the recommendation is to increase appropriations and estimated revenues by \$38,191, bringing the total allocation to \$103,191. The Proposition 12 grant will cover the entire cost of the project.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT:

In addition to supporting the new fencing, the installation of the new concrete curbing will serve as a weed deterrent, thus reducing the amount of staff time required to weed the field, and advancing the City's Integrated Pest Management objectives.

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