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Sacramento, California

Honorable Members in Session:

SUBJECT: Park Master Plan Funding Priorities

SUMMARY

This report provides information on park funding priorities as outlined in the 1989 Master Plan Update for Park Facilities and Recreational Services. This report is provided in response to questions raised at the CIP hearings by Councilmember Fargo. This report is for information only.

BACKGROUND

Funding priorities for the development of new park and recreational facilities have shifted over the course of several years with the introduction of new funding mechanisms and the decline or inefficiencies of others.

In the 1984 Master Plan, the rehabilitation of existing park and recreation facilities were to receive a relatively higher priority in funding over the development of new park and recreation facilities primarily because the Quimby Ordinance was thought to be sufficient to provide for the necessary park development.

One of the 1989 Master Plan Update priorities is the development of more parks, especially in those areas that are deficient in the number of acres of developed parkland. This shift in priorities is due primarily to the inefficiencies of the Quimby Ordinance to develop parkland once it has been acquired. In addition, the Landscape and Lighting District has made additional funds available specifically for rehabilitation of existing parks thereby relieving the General Fund.

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Currently, the only funding available to develop parkland is Quimby, which must be used in the area it is collected. Grants are applied for based on the best qualified city-wide project which meets the specific requirements and criteria of the grant program. Consequently, until other funding mechanisms are found, the priority of park acquisition and development is predetermined by the limitations placed on available funding.

FINANCIAL DATA

Not applicable.

POLICY CONSIDERATIONS

None.

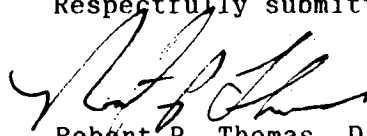
MBE/WBE EFFORTS

Not applicable.

RECOMMENDATION

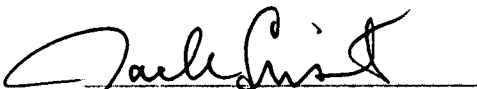
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