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Contra Costa County

To: Board of Supervisors

From: John Kopchik, Director, Conservation & Development Department

Date: February 7, 2017

Subject: Martinez Waterfront Park Dedication Funds Authorization

RECOMMENDATION(S):

AUTHORIZE the Auditor-Controller to issue a warrant in the amount of \$350,000 to the City of Martinez from the Park Dedication Trust Accounts listed below to help fund the development of new amenities and rehabilitation of existing facilities at the tot lot playground area of Martinez Waterfront Park. The project is located at North Court Street and Joe DiMaggio Drive in Martinez.

Account Number	Amount	
420803190	\$ 33,080	
420831900	\$ 22,610	
275832002	\$ 2,790	
420832002	\$196,450	
420832004	\$ 95,070	

FISCAL IMPACT:

No impact on the General Fund, 100% Park Dedication Trust Account.

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Actio	n of Board On: 02/07/2017	✓ APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED ☐ OTHER			
Clerk	s Notes:				
VOTE (OF SUPERVISORS				
Diane Burgis, District III Supervisor Karen Mitchoff, District IV Supervisor Federal D. Glover, District V Supervisor Supervisor Board of Supervisors on the ATTESTED: February ATTESTED: February ATTESTED: David Twa, County A		I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of an action taken and entered on the minutes of the Board of Supervisors on the date shown. ATTESTED: February 7, 2017 David Twa, County Administrator and Clerk of the Board of Supervisors			
		By: Stephanie Mello, Deputy			

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BACKGROUND:

The City of Martinez is in the design phase of a major renovation project of its Waterfront Park, one of the major projects identified by the residents of Martinez to be funded by Measure H. The Martinez Waterfront Park provides regional access to the residents of Contra Costa County to the Carquinez Straights through collaboration between the City of Martinez and East Bay Regional Park District. The key features in this park that will be improved and renovated are as follows:

- 1. Large group picnic area;
- 2. Tot lot play area (subject of this application);
- 3. New tot lot play area Restroom- 2 stall unisex building (subject of this application);
- 4. ADA pathway access;
- 5. Safety and security lighting;
- 6. Five lighted baseball/softball athletic fields;
- 7. ADA Restroom improvements at baseball /softball complex; and
- 8. Improved and additional parking development.

The City of Martinez is seeking funding in the amount of \$350,000 for the development of new amenities and rehabilitation of existing facilities at the tot lot playground area. The tot lot playground area is one of the focal points and most heavily used amenities within this regional facility. The majority of the funds (\$236,000) will be for a unisex restroom next to the tot lot. Having a restroom within a safe proximity to the tot lot area will be a significant improvement for park users with young children. The remaining \$114,000 will fund site improvements near the tot lot, including ADA parking stalls, ADA pathways, ADA picnic tables, other picnic area rehabilitation, existing playground equipment rehabilitation, improve play area drainage, and add new safety fiber surfacing. The project is anticipated to begin construction in April of 2017 and completed by March 2018. The remaining park improvements will be funded through the City of Martinez Measure H funding. The park will be maintained by City of Martinez staff, which includes a dedicated maintenance fund for the Waterfront Park.

The City of Martinez has complied with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) for the waterfront park improvements. A Mitigated Negative Declaration was prepared for the proposed improvements and a Notice of Determination was posted at the County Clerk on December 5, 2016.

It is the policy of the County to utilize County park dedication funds to meet local and regional park needs. The Waterfront Park is a city park with a regional draw, including unincorporated residents, due to its proximity to the Carquinez Straights, Martinez Marina, and East Bay Regional Park District's Radke Martinez Shoreline Park. The city park facilities are open to the public with no use fees associated with it. This particular area of the park is a focal point for families with young children.

CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

Without the allocation of County park dedication funds, the City may not have the resources required to fully implement to proposed improvements to the Martinez Waterfront Park in a timely manner.

CHILDREN'S IMPACT STATEMENT:

The proposed improvements to the tot lot playground area at the Martinez Waterfront Park supports the following community outcome established in the Children's Report Card: Communities that are safe and provide a high quality of life for children and their families.