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April 19, 2018

Honorable City Council City of Los Angeles c/o: Office of the City Clerk City Hall, Room 395

Honorable Members of the City Council:

Subject:

Request the City Attorney to Draft an Ordinance Amending Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC) Section 63.44 B.2(D) in Order to Authorize the Designated Fenced Area Consisting of Approximately 0.69 Acres in Westwood Park as an Off-Leash Dog Exercise and Training Area. For Final Approval by City Council

Recommendation for Council Action:

The Board Respectfully Requests that the City Council Review and Approve the Recommendation to Request the City Attorney to Draft an Ordinance as Outlined in the Attached Report.

Background:

On February 15, 2017, the Board of Recreation and Park Commissioners (Board) approved the Final Plans and Specifications for the Westwood Park - New Dog Park and Park Improvements (PRJ21 050) Project, including the Allocation of Quimby Fees.

Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC), Section 63.44 B.2(d) Prohibits Dogs Off-Leash in City Parks, unless they are at City Parks or portions of City Parks approved and designated as dog exercise and training areas by the Board and approved by the City Council by Ordinance. An amendment to the LAMC by the City Council would be required in order to authorize the establishment of an off-leash dog exercise and training area at Westwood Park.

Fiscal Impact Statement:

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 the Department of Recreation and Parks' (RAP) General fund.



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The estimated additional annual maintenance costs for the proposed park improvements will be approximately \$53,334.80, which includes the costs for part-time staff, materials and supplies, and contractual services. Funds for the maintenance of the proposed park improvements will be requested as part of the annual City budget process.

If you have any questions with regard to the aforementioned matters, please contact Mr. Darryl Ford, Senior Management Analyst II, Planning, Construction, and Maintenance Branch at (213) 202-2607.

Very truly yours,

BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

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Attachment: Board Report No. 17-036

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