



DATE: November 15, 2006

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Councilmembers

FROM: Neighborhood Services Department

SUBJECT: **APPROVAL OF A BUDGET APPROPRIATION OF \$25,000 FROM THE FY 2006-07 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT CONTINGENCY FUND FOR EMERGENCY REPLACEMENT OF SEWER AND WATER LINES AT JOE BALDERRAMA RECREATION CENTER**

SYNOPSIS

Staff recommends that the City Council approve a budget appropriation in the amount of \$25,000 from the FY 2006-07 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Contingency Fund for emergency replacement of sewer and water lines at Joe Balderrama Recreation Center; and amend the FY 2006-07 Action Plan of the 2005-2010 Consolidated Plan for Housing and Community Development to add this activity.

BACKGROUND

The Joe Balderrama Recreation Center was built in 1970 in the Eastside neighborhood and was named in honor of Joe Balderrama, a neighborhood resident who was killed in Germany while serving in the U.S. armed forces during World War II. The center provides space for afterschool recreation programs for children and youth, summer daycamps, a teen center, a childcare program, office space for a community policing officer and meeting space for community groups. A number of nonprofit and community-based organizations use space in the center for programs that serve the community, including Teen R.E.A.C.H. managed by Vista Community Clinic and vaccination and health screenings by North County Health Services. The Neighborhood Services Department – Parks and Recreation Division manages the center.

Parks and Recreation staff at the center have experienced problems with the sewer line for the past few months, especially with drain lines from the kitchen. Initial attempts to clear the sewer line did not alleviate problems, and further inspection showed significant blockage and deterioration of the line from the center to the street. The sewer line has been impacted by age and by steadily increasing demands as activities in the center have increased. Simple repair and further attempts to clear the line have been ruled out as ineffective; inspection of the line revealed that the line needs to be entirely replaced.

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ANALYSIS

The sewer line serving Joe Balderrama Recreation Center is deteriorating and in need of replacement. If the line deteriorates further, programs at the center would be impacted to the point of being closed down. There is no other facility in the Eastside neighborhood that could absorb all of the programs at the center, and closure of the center would have serious negative impacts on the neighborhood, especially with regard to youth services and programs. Replacing the sewer line will also require some improvements to the water line serving the kitchen area. Sewer and water lines for the restrooms at the center are not impacted and will remain open during the time that the sewer line is being replaced. Portable toilet facilities will be provided if it becomes necessary to close the restrooms for any length of time. City staff anticipate that the work will require approximately three weeks to complete.

FISCAL IMPACT

Staff is recommending a budget appropriation of \$25,000 from CDBG Contingency (237.607900.5377) to Joe Balderrama Kitchen Renovation (237.845062.5392). There is adequate balance in the contingency fund to cover this appropriation. The allocation of CDBG funds for this project will have no impact on the City General Fund. The project is an eligible activity for use of CDBG funds as the Joe Balderrama Recreation Center serves a low- and moderate-income neighborhood. The initial funding for construction of the center also came from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). Since federal funds will be used for the project, Davis Bacon prevailing wage requirements will be enforced; this does increase the overall cost of the project.

COMMISSION OR COMMITTEE REPORT

The 2006 CDBG ad hoc Application Review Committee completed its work and submitted recommendations to the City Council in March 2006. The ad hoc Committee does not review mid-year allocations of CDBG funds. Since the allocation of funds constitutes a substantial change to the FY 2006-07 CDBG Action Plan, a public hearing and approval by the City Council is required under HUD regulations for use of CDBG funds and by the City's CDBG citizen participation plan.

INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

The City's standard insurance requirements will be met.

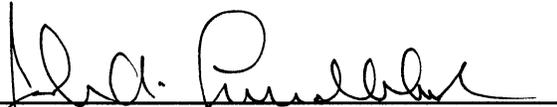
CITY ATTORNEY'S ANALYSIS

The City Council is authorized to hold a public hearing in this matter. Consideration of the matter should be based on the testimony and evidence presented at the hearing. After conducting the public hearing, the Council shall approve, modify or deny the project.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the City Council approve a budget appropriation in the amount of \$25,000 from the FY 2006-07 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Contingency Fund for emergency replacement of sewer and water lines at Joe Balderrama Recreation Center; and amend the FY 2006-07 Action Plan of the 2005-2010 Consolidated Plan for Housing and Community Development to add this activity.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

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For more information on this item, call John A. Lundblad at (760) 435-3393. If you need special accommodation to attend this hearing, please contact the City Clerk at least 48 hours in advance at (760) 435-3000.

The agenda and staff report will be available the Monday before the public hearing. You may view this information on the City's website at www.ci.oceanside.ca.us by clicking on City Agenda and the November 15 Staff Reports.

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