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**Meeting Date:** 7/26/2011

**Report Type:** Consent

**Title:** Capital Improvement Program: South Natomas Park Improvements at Niños Park (L19156300) and Barandas Park (L19156400) Projects

**Report ID:** 2011-00648

**Location:** Niños Park, 705 Northfield Drive; Barandas Park, 2808 Grasslands Drive, District 1

**Recommendation:** Adopt a Resolution: 1) establishing a new capital project for South Natomas Park Improvements at Niños Park; 2) appropriating \$200,000 from the South Natomas Community Infrastructure Fund (SNCIF), Fund 2020, to L19156300; 3) establishing a new capital project for South Natomas Park Improvements at Barandas Park; and 4) appropriating \$1,500,000 from the South Natomas Community Infrastructure Fund (SNCIF), Fund 2020, to L19156400.

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**Presenter:** None

**Department:** Parks & Recreation Department

**Division:** Park Development Services

**Dept ID:** 19001121

## **Attachments:**

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- 2-Background
- 3-Location Map (Ninos Park)
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## Description/Analysis

**Issue:** Long-term designs of public facilities are reviewed and approved by City Council and City Council's approval is required to establish Capital Improvement Program (CIP) projects.

Staff is requesting that new capital projects be established for South Natomas Park Improvements at Niños Park (L19156300) and Barandas Park (L19156400). The proposed improvements to Niños Park include reconfiguring existing youth sports fields; upgrading the playground area; and adding a new group picnic area. The proposed improvements to Barandas Park include developing the existing undeveloped acreage into youth baseball fields.

Niños Park is an existing 4.18-acre neighborhood park located at 705 Northfield Drive and Barandas Park is an existing 11.34-acre community park located at 2805 Grasslands Drive. Both of these parks are located in the South Natomas Community Plan Area (PA9).

A summary of the Niños Park and Barandas Park project histories, the proposed improvements, and location maps are included as attachments to this report.

**Policy Considerations:** As stated in City Council Resolution No. 2010-388, Section 10.2, City Council approval is required to establish Capital Improvement Program (CIP) projects. Any use of SNCIF funds are to be approved by City Council.

Providing parks and recreation facilities is consistent with the City's strategic plan to enhance livability in Sacramento's neighborhoods by expanding park, recreation, and trail facilities throughout the City.

### Environmental Considerations:

**California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA):** This report concerns administrative activities that will not have a significant effect on the environment, and does not constitute a "project" as defined by CEQA [CEQA Guidelines Sections 15061(b)(3); 15378(b)(2)]. CEQA review of the park improvements will occur during the design phase and prior to construction.

**Sustainability:** The South Natomas Parks Improvement projects at Niños Park and Barandas Park have been reviewed for consistency with the goals, policies, and targets of the City Sustainability Master Plan (SMP) and the Parks and Recreation Sustainability Plan (PRSP). The renovation of these parks will advance these plans' goals, policies, and targets by reducing air pollution, reducing water consumption, and expanding recreation opportunities. The park development will be consistent with sustainable design and development standards now applied to City park design to incorporate play equipment and site furniture manufactured from recycled materials, a water efficient centralized irrigation system, native plantings, 20% less turf, and more naturalized, drought-tolerant plantings to minimize water use.

**Committee/Commission Action:** Not applicable.

**Rationale for Recommendation:** Providing parks and recreation facilities is consistent with the City's strategic plan to enhance livability in Sacramento's neighborhoods by expanding park, recreation, and trail facilities throughout the City.

Funds in the SCNIF (Fund 2020) account are considered available for capital improvement projects located within the South Natomas Community Plan area. The SNCIF funds have been used historically to construct capital improvements of the City on either City owned-property or on property which the City has rights to allow public use through easements or agreements.

**Financial Considerations:** Staff recommends that the City Council authorize the establishment of South Natomas Park Improvements at Niños Park (L19156300) and Barandas Park (L19156400) projects and appropriate \$200,000 from SNCIF, Fund 2020, to L19156300 and appropriate \$1,500,000 from SNCIF, Fund 2020, to L19156400. There are sufficient funds available from SNCIF, Fund 2020, to appropriate monies for these projects.

**Emerging Small Business Development (ESBD):** No goods or services are being purchased as a result of this report.

## Background

### **Niños Park:**

Niños Park is an existing 4.18-acre neighborhood park located at 705 Northfield Drive in the South Natomas Community Plan Area (PA9).

On July 1, 1993, City Council awarded a contract for the Niños Park Play Area Improvements. The improvements included replacing the existing play structures, installing a drainage system and construction of handicap access ramps.

The proposed improvements to Niños Park include converting the existing youth softball field and bantam soccer field into a full-size regulation soccer field; reconfiguring the existing playground hardscape; renovating the existing playground by refurbishing the play equipment and adding additional playground safety surfacing material; adding a second gate to the playground fencing; refurbishing the existing paving and planter adjacent to the playground; adding a group picnic area consisting of five new picnic tables and a group barbecue; and adding a new drinking fountain adjacent to the new group picnic area. A construction schedule for this project is yet to be determined.

### **Barandas Park:**

Barandas Park is an existing 11.34-acre community park located at 2805 Grasslands Drive in the South Natomas Community Plan Area (PA9). Of the total acreage, 6.6-acres of the park are developed.

The Manuel J. Barandas Park Master Plan was reviewed and approved by the Citizen's Advisory Committee for Parks and Recreation on November 7, 2002. On May 5, 2003, City Council approved the Plan in Resolution 2003-303.

On March 4, 2004, City Council awarded a contract (Resolution 2004-135) for the development of Phase 1 improvements at this park. Phase I improvements included developing 6.6 acres with the following amenities: concrete and decomposed granite walkways, benches, one children's playground, informal grass amphitheatre and the softball/soccer field.

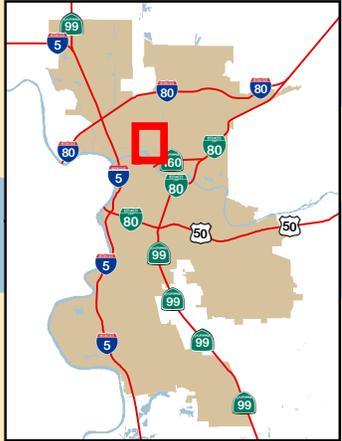
The proposed Phase 2 improvements consist of developing the remaining 4.74-acres and a portion of the existing park into baseball fields suitable for use by the Natomas Youth Baseball League as well as the general public. In addition to the

one existing baseball field at the park, six additional fields will be developed. The six new fields will consist of four Pinto fields (for players age eight and under) and two Bronco fields (for players age twelve and under).

Phase 2 improvements will also include walkways to complete the parks pedestrian circulation system and low water use plantings to provide transition areas between park uses and the adjacent properties. A construction schedule for this project remains to be finalized.

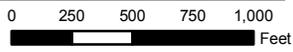


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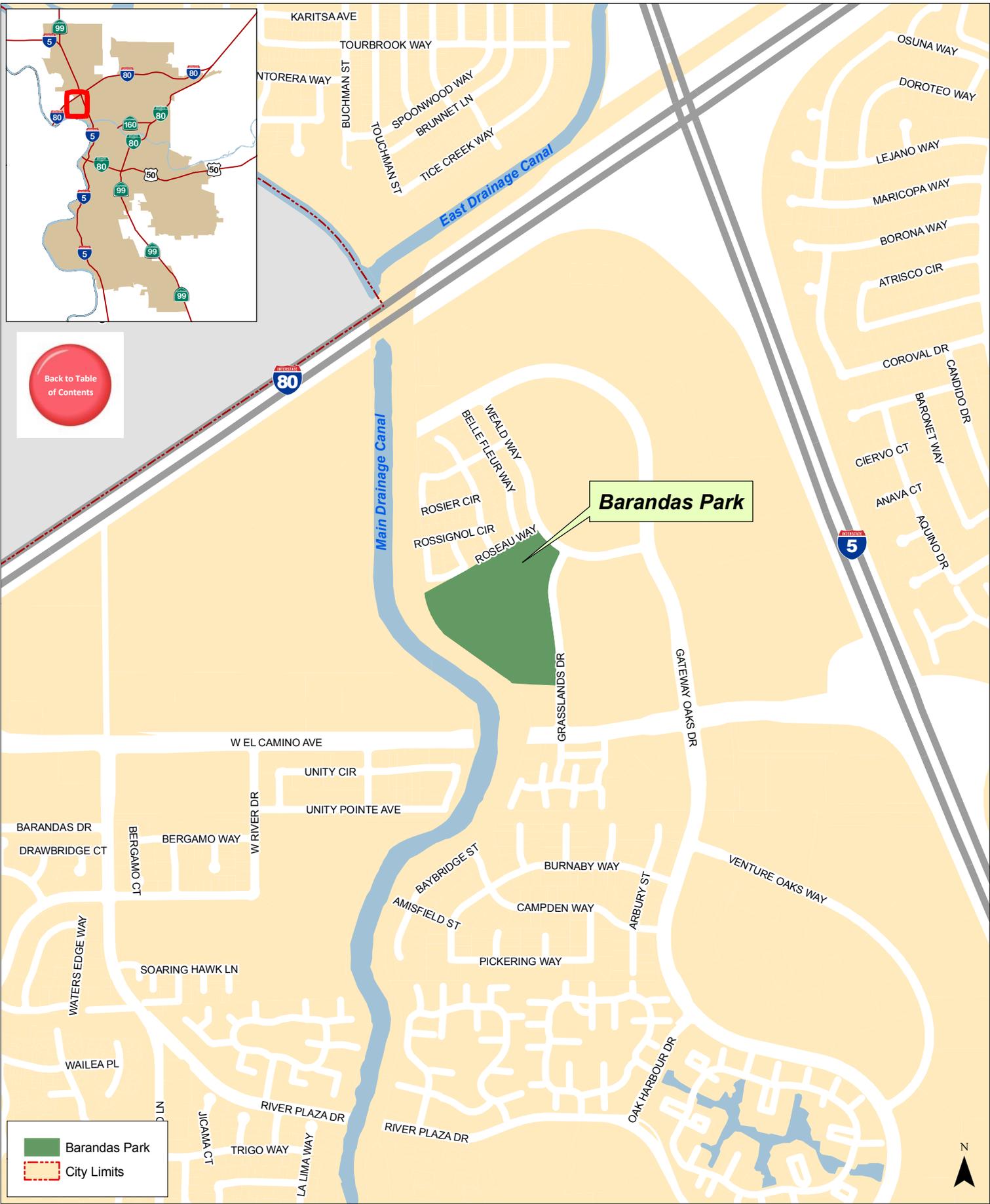
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**RESOLUTION NO. 2011-**

**Adopted by the Sacramento City Council**

**July 26, 2011**

**APPROVING CAPITAL PROJECTS FOR SOUTH NATOMAS PARK IMPROVEMENTS AT NINOS PARK (L19156300) AND SOUTH NATOMAS PARK IMPROVEMENTS AT BARANDAS PARK (L19156400)**

**BACKGROUND**

- A. Niños Park is an existing 4.18-acre neighborhood park located at 705 Northfield Drive in the South Natomas Community Plan Area (PA9).
- B. Barandas Park is an existing 11.34-acre community park located at 2805 Grasslands Drive in the South Natomas Community Plan Area (PA9).
- C. Pursuant to City Council Resolution No. 2010-388, Section 10.2, City Council approval is required to establish Capital Improvement Program (CIP) projects.
- D. Funds in the South Natomas Community Infrastructure Fund (SNCIF), Fund 2020, are considered available for capital improvement projects located within the South Natomas Community Plan Area (PA9) to benefit the development projects subject to the impact fee. The SNCIF funds have been used historically to construct park improvements. Any use of SNCIF funds are to be approved by City Council.

**BASED ON THE FACTS SET FORTH IN THE BACKGROUND, THE CITY COUNCIL RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:**

- Section 1. A new Capital Improvement Program (CIP) project for South Natomas Park Improvements at Ninos Park is established as L19156300.
- Section 2. That \$200,000 from South Natomas Community Infrastructure Fund (SNCIF), Fund 2020, is appropriated to L19156300.
- Section 3. A new Capital Improvement Program (CIP) project for South Natomas Park Improvements at Barandas Park is established as L19156400.
- Section 4. That \$1,500,000 from South Natomas Community Infrastructure Fund (SNCIF), Fund 2020, is appropriated to L19156400.