REPORT TO THE CITY COUNCIL

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TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

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SUBJECT: APPROVE THE APPROPRIATION OF GENERAL FUND MONIES AND
               APPROVE THE EXPENDITURE FOR THE REPAIR AND
               REPLACEMENT OF THE UPPER PLAYGROUND AREA AT FOREST
               COVE PARK

The purpose of this report is to seek City Council approval to appropriate and expend General Fund money to pay for the repair and replacement of the damaged area of the upper playground at Forest Cove Park, and to cover the $5,000 insurance deductible. The total repair and replacement costs have been reviewed by The California Joint Powers Insurance Authority (CJPIA) and reimbursement has been approved.

The play structure and the surrounding hardscape were damaged in the upper playground of Forest Cove Park on Saturday, April 7, 2007, due to an arson fire. The CJPIA and staff have inspected the area and developed an appropriate replacement plan. Estimates have been obtained from three separate vendors for the costs to remove, dispose, repair, and replace the damaged areas of Forest Cove Park and are as follows:

• $ 1,650 for the removal and disposal of the existing footings and damaged wood fiber,
• $ 6,840 for the removal and replacement of the damaged lodge pole retaining wall,
• $ 18,734 for the purchase and installation of the play structure, and
• $ 2,722 which will be the project contingency of 10%.

The total estimated repair and replacement costs are $29,946 of which $5,000 will be paid by the City as the insurance deductible. Costs above and beyond the deductible shall be reimbursed through the CJPIA following the installation of all new equipment and hardscape.

RECOMMENDATION

It is respectfully recommended the City Council appropriate $29,946 from the General Fund Reserve and approve the expenditure of General Fund money for the repair and replacement of the upper playground area at Forest Cove Park.