

**TO THE COUNCIL OF THE  
CITY OF LOS ANGELES**

Your **HOUSING, COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** Committee

**reports as follows:**

HOUSING, COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT relative to authorization to accept the transfer of a \$2.25 million U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Sustainable Communities Challenge grant for the Northeast Los Angeles Collaborative, and related actions.

Recommendations for Council action, SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR:

1. AUTHORIZE the General Manager, Community Development Department (CDD), or designee, to:
  - a. Accept on behalf of the City the transfer of the Sustainable Communities Challenge Grant (Grant) for the Northeast Los Angeles (NELA) Collaborative Project (Project), including all related documentation and records, from the Oversight Board of the CRA/LA, a Designated Local Authority and Successor Agency to the Community Redevelopment Agency of Los Angeles, to the CDD.
  - b. Negotiate and execute an assignment agreement with HUD to assume the \$2.25 million Grant for the NELA Collaborative Project, subject to City Attorney approval as to form and legality.
  - c. Enter into a Cooperation Agreement with the Oversight Board of the CRA/LA in the amount up to \$263,367 to be used towards Grant matching funds, subject to City Attorney approval as to form and legality.
  - d. Prepare Controller instructions, and/or make any technical adjustments consistent with the Council action on this matter, subject to the approval of the City Administrative Officer (CAO), and request the Controller to implement the instructions.
  - e. Negotiate and execute agreements with the NELA Collaborative Project partners identified in the CRA/LA Grant proposal and the Project contractors for not-to-exceed amounts as finalized and approved by the CDD and HUD, for a term effective from date of execution to February 20, 2014, subject to: compliance with City's contracting requirements, and City Attorney review as to form and legality.
2. INSTRUCT the General Manager, CDD, or designee, to report back to Mayor and City Council upon HUD approval of the assignment of the Grant with the negotiated scope of work, budget, NELA Collaborative Project partners and the Project contractors that will be included in the revised Project.

3. DETERMINE that all recommendations herein are subject to the following conditions:
  - a. The CRA/LA Oversight Board and the California Department of Finance approval of the transfer of the \$2.25 million Grant from the CRA/LA to the CDD, including the use of the \$263,367 in CRA/LA funds for the completion of the Tierra West Advisors contract and acknowledgement of the payments already made by the former Community Redevelopment Agency towards the work program to be applied towards the City's matching fund requirement for the Grant.
  - b. HUD approval of the re-assignment of the Grant from the CRA/LA to the CDD, a revised Project's scope of work and deliverables, the City match proposal and a revised Project Budget.
  - c. The final revised Project and Administrative Budget to be approved by the CDD and HUD to not exceed the available funding for the Project, including the \$2.25 million Grant Funds, the CRA/LA funds to be applied towards the City's matching fund requirement and the City match proposal.
  - d. There is no impact to the General Fund.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The CAO reports that there is no impact on the General Fund. Approval of the recommendations will result in the transfer of a \$2.25 million Sustainable Communities Challenge Grant, including all related documentation and records, from the CRA/LA, a Designated Local Authority and Successor Agency to the Community Redevelopment Agency of Los Angeles, to the CDD. The Grant from HUD will fund the NELA Collaborative Project. The CAO recommends that the revised Project and Administrative Budget should not exceed the available funds and that no additional General Fund monies are used to cover Project costs. As such, the recommendation is in compliance with the City's Financial Policies in that a one-time expenditure of a General Fund department is an adjunct to a one-time source of funds from HUD.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

### SUMMARY

At its regular meeting held on June 27, 2012, the Housing, Community and Economic Development Committee considered a CDD report dated June 20, 2012 and a CAO report dated June 27, 2012 relative to authorization to accept the transfer of the \$2.25 million HUD Sustainable Communities Challenge grant for the Northeast Los Angeles Collaborative from the CRA/LA, a Designated Local Authority (successor agency of the former CRA/LA) to the CDD, authority to negotiate and execute an agreement with HUD to assume the grant, and related actions.

After providing an opportunity for public comment, the Committee recommended approval of the recommendations in the CAO report. This matter is now forwarded to the Council for its consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

HOUSING, COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
CARDENAS:	YES
REYES:	ABSENT
WESSON:	YES
ALARCON:	ABSENT
PERRY:	YES

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