ARTS, PARKS, AND RIVER COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the proposed North Atwater Non-Motorized Multimodal Bridge project over the Los Angeles River.

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

1. AUTHORIZE the City Engineer to execute a gift agreement to accept the gift of environmental documents, design plans, executed permits/agreements, and transfer of grant funding for the North Atwater Non-Motorized Multimodal Bridge project over the Los Angeles River, from River LA, formerly known as the Los Angeles River Revitalization Corporation.

2. AUTHORIZE the Bureau of Engineering (BOE) to accept project management responsibilities for the implementation of the North Atwater Non-Motorized Multimodal Bridge including bid and award responsibilities, and if built, accept ownership of the bridge for the City and assume responsibility for its inspection.

3. INSTRUCT the BOE to report to Council within 30 days on the cost and schedule of an alternative design approach to the design plans gifted from River LA.

4. DIRECT the Departments of Building and Safety, Cultural Affairs, Recreation and Parks, Water and Power, and others, as necessary, to provide their services on an in-kind basis to support the bridge project implementation.

5. DIRECT the Bureau of Street Services and all relevant departments to report within 30 days on the maintenance of the proposed bridge once completed and the alternative design.

6. AUTHORIZE the Controller to establish an account to be used for acceptance of the funds as part of the gift agreement.

7. AUTHORIZE the City Engineering to make any technical corrections or clarifications to the above instructions.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The BOE reports that there might be a shortfall of available funds for all project costs after reviewing the current estimate provided by River LA. The total project cost to complete as estimated by the BOE and the current source of funding available are detailed in the August 15, 2016 BOE report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

/Public Works and gang Reduction Committee waived consideration of the above matter

Summary:

On August 15, 2016, the Arts, Parks, and River Committee considered an August 15, 2016 Bureau of Engineering report relative to the proposed North Atwater Non-Motorized Multimodal Bridge project over the Los Angeles River.
Bridge project over the Los Angeles River.

During the discussion, a representative from the BOE gave a brief background and responded to questions from the Committee members. After additional discussion and providing an opportunity for public comment, the Committee moved for the Council to approve the recommendations reflected above. This matter is now submitted to Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

ARTS, PARKS, AND RIVER COMMITTEE

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