# TO THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES

## Your BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

#### reports as follows:

BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT relative to a refund for construction services which were not performed on the Warner Grand Theater Rehabilitation Project.

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

- 1. APPROVE the return to the Community Redevelopment Agency/Los Angeles (CRA/LA), A Designated Local Authority and Successor Agency to the former Community Redevelopment Agency, a total of \$299,625 which is a refund for an advance payment for construction services which were not performed on the Warner Grand Theater Rehabilitation Project.
- 2. AUTHORIZE the City Controller to refund \$299,625 to the CRA/LA from Fund 100/40 General Services as follows:

| Account | <u>Title</u>                        | <u>Amount</u> |
|---------|-------------------------------------|---------------|
| 001014  | Construction Salaries               | \$177,053.22  |
| 001191  | Hiring Hall Overtime                | \$58,947.16   |
| 003180  | Construction Materials and Supplies | \$63,624.62   |
|         | Total:                              | \$299,625.00  |

3. AUTHORIZE the City Administrative Officer (CAO) to make technical corrections as necessary to those transactions included in this report to implement Mayor and Council intentions.

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement</u>: The CAO reports that the fiscal impact is \$299,625 to issue a refund for an advance payment for construction services which were not performed on the Warner Grand Theater Rehabilitation Project (Project). Approval of the recommendations in this report will authorize a refund of \$299,625 from 100/40 General Services to the CRA/LA for the retained balance associated with the Project.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

## <u>SUMMARY</u>

At its meeting of April 15, 2013, the Budget and Finance Committee considered the CAO's report relative to a refund of \$299,625 which was an advance payment to the Department of General Services (GSD) for construction services which were not performed on the Warner Grand Theater (Theater) Rehabilitation Project (Project). The CAO reports that on August 31, 2009, the former Agency and the GSD's Construction Forces Division (CFD) executed a three-year \$10 million Cooperation Agreement. Contract No. 503391 was a blanket contract for engineering services and contractors for construction, demolition and maintenance services for various CRA/LA projects. On January 23, 2012, the former Agency issued a \$300,000 check to CFD for certain improvements to the Theater in accordance with Contract No. 503391. On

February 1, 2012, redevelopment agencies, including the former Agency, were dissolved by operation of law in accordance with Assembly Bill (AB) 1x-26. The CRA/LA has made the determination that Contract No. 503391 was invalidated effective February 1, 2012 pursuant to the redevelopment dissolution law, the work associated the Project cannot proceed and that all retained, unexpended funds must be returned to the CRA/LA. On February 27, 2013, the CRA/LA sent the GSD a letter requesting the return of the \$299,625 in unexpended Project funds. The CAO report, attached to the Council file, provides additional details and background information.

During discussion of this matter, the CAO representative requested that an instruction be added to authorize the CAO to make technical corrections as necessary. After further consideration and having provided an opportunity for public comment, the Committee recommended to approve the CAO recommendations contained in the report dated April 9, 2013 and the additional instruction requested by the CAO. This matter is now forwarded to the Council for its consideration.

#### Respectfully submitted,

## BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

| <u>MEMBER</u> | VOTE |
|---------------|------|
| KREKORIAN:    | YES  |
| ENGLANDER:    | YES  |
| ROSENDAHL:    | YES  |
| KORETZ:       | YES  |
| LABONGE:      | YES  |
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