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December 18, 2013

To All Interested Parties:

The City Council adopted the action(s), as attached, under Council

File No. <u>13-1468</u>, at its meeting held <u>December 17, 2013</u>.

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File No. <u>13-1468</u>

ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE REPORT and RESOLUTION relative to authority to submit a Brownfield grant application to the US Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) for community area-wide assessment in Los Angeles.

Recommendations for Council action:

- 1. AUTHORIZE the Director, Bureau of Sanitation (BOS), or designee, to submit a Brownfield Grant Application FY14 to the USEPA for community area-wide assessment and cleanup funds (for up to \$600,000) in Los Angeles to fund Brownfield environmental services.
- 2. ADOPT the accompanying Resolution, as amended, authorizing the submittal of application for Brownfield community area-wide assessment grant.

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement</u>: The Board of Public Works reports that there is no fiscal impact to the City's General Fund as a result of this option. Grant awards will be announced in April/May 2014 and the funds will be available from July 2014 - October 2017 on a reimbursement basis. There are no match requirements for this type of grant.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

Summary:

On December 4, 2013, your Committee considered an October 30, 2013 Board of Public Works (Board) report and Resolution relative to authority to submit a Brownfield grant application to the USEPA for community area-wide assessment in Los Angeles. According to the Board, the purpose of this Federal grant program is to assist in sustaining and restoring communities (and the ecological systems that support them) by providing financial assistance to assess contaminated property. Funding provided through this grant program is aimed at encouraging local solution to endemic Brownfield problems, creating new jobs, economic investment, and green space acreage. Brownfields community area-wide assessment funds may be used for conducting brownfield sites inventory, assessment, and cleanup planning.

After consideration and having provided an opportunity for public comment, the Committee moved to recommend authorizing the Director, BOS, or designee, to submit a Brownfield Grant Application FY14 to the USEPA for community area-wide assessment and cleanup funds (for up to \$600,000) in Los Angeles to fund Brownfield environmental services and adoption of the accompanying Resolution, as amended, authorizing application for said grant. This matter is now submitted to Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

ADOPTED DEC 1 7 2013 LOS ANGELES CITY COUNCIL

ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, any official position of the City of Los Angeles with respect to legislation, rules, regulations or policies to or pending before a local, state or federal government body or agency must have been adopted in the form of a Resolution by the City Council with the concurrence of the Mayor; and

WHEREAS, United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) provides Grants for investigation and cleanup of contaminated properties to assist in sustaining and restoring communities; and

WHEREAS, the City of Los Angeles has long recognized that it is in the public interest to establish, implement and maintain USEPA funds to promote the cleanup and revitalization of contaminated properties; and

WHEREAS, the Bureau of Sanitation (BOS) / Department of Public Works, would like to apply for two USEPA grants. The term of the grant is from July 2014 thought October 2017. If the grants are funded, the City of Los Angeles proposes to conduct a community area-wide assessment in Los Angeles and cleanup activities at 501 Hewitt St, 90013 in Downtown Los Angeles. This site will be developed as a park for use by the community and by tenants of the adjacent La Kretz Innovation Campus

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Los Angeles does hereby authorize the Director of the Bureau of Sanitation, or designee, to submit two applications to the USEPA for the Brownfield Assessment and Cleanup grants FY14.

PRESENTED BY_____

SECONDED BY

Prepared by: Nuna Tersibashian, SRCRD (213) 485-3791

I CERTIFY THAT THE FOREGOING RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES AT ITS MEETING OF DEC 1 7 BY A MAJORITY OF ALL ITS MEMBERS.

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