ADMINISTRATIVE EXEMPTION and COMMUNICATION FROM CHAIR, TRADE, TRAVEL, AND TOURISM COMMITTEE relative to amending the Port of Los Angeles (POLA) agreement with AltaSea to incorporate various Economic Development Administration (EDA) Grant Award provision changes.

Recommendations for Council action:

- 1. ADOPT the determination by the Board of Harbor Commissioners that the proposed action is administratively exempt under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) in accordance with Article II, Section 2(f) of the Los Angeles City CEQA Guidelines.
- 2. APPROVE the POLA Resolution No. 18-8347 authorizing proposed First Amendment Agreement No. 18-3442-A with AltaSea at the Port of Los Angeles.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The POLA reports that this action will not impact the General Fund.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

TIME LIMIT FILE - NOVEMBER 6, 2018

(LAST DAY FOR COUNCIL ACTION - NOVEMBER 6, 2018)

<u>SUMMARY</u>

In a report to the Board of Harbor Commissioners dated August 22, 2018, POLA requests approval of the First Amendment to the agreement with AltaSea for the purpose of incorporating the EDA Grant Award First Amendment and to provide delegated authority to the Executive Director, POLA, to approve additional amendments to the EDA Grant Award pertaining to scheduling modifications within AltaSea's Business Hub Infrastructure Project timeframe and/or re-allocation of the \$3,000,000 budget within the authorized project scope of work. The proposed amendment also extends the construction start time for the project from September 28, 2018 to September 28, 2019, with the construction completion date remaining the same at September 28, 2020. On September 6, 2018, the Board of Harbor Commissioners approved POLA's request.

The AltaSea \$8,588,000 Business Hub Infrastructure Project qualified for a \$3,000,000 EDA grant, which required POLA to be a co-applicant. The project includes the development of the area between Berths 57 and 58 for visiting research vessels, wharf rehabilitation including structural modification of the wharf, installation of concrete pilings and new decks, structural modification of the wharfs, and installation of timber fenders, Signal Street improvements, entrance and signage improvements to Warehouses 58-60, and installation of subsurface utilities and restrooms.

At the Trade, Travel, and Tourism Committee meeting held September 18, 2018, the Committee Chair recommended that Council approve the proposed AltaSea contract amendment, as recommended by the Board of Harbor Commissioners.

Respectfully Submitted,

COUNCILMEMBER JOE BUSCAINO, CHAIR TRADE, TRAVEL, AND TOURISM COMMITTEE

MEMBER

VOTE

BUSCAINO: YES

BONIN:

ABSENT

KREKORIAN: ABSENT

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