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February 5, 2014

To All Interested Parties:

The City Council adopted the action(s), as attached, under Council File No. <u>13-1663</u>, at its meeting held <u>February 4, 2014</u>.

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File No. <u>13-1663</u>

ARTS, PARKS, HEALTH, AGING AND RIVER COMMITTEE REPORT and RESOLUTION relative to assigning to the Los Angeles Community Garden Council (LACGC) a right to apply for Proposition A Cities Excess Funds in the amount of \$20,000 to be used for the completion of the Drew Street Park Community Garden Improvements Project.

Recommendation for Council action:

ADOPT the accompanying RESOLUTION, attached to the Council file, which assigns to the LACGC a right to apply for Proposition A Cities Excess Funds in the amount of \$20,000, which are available from the Los Angeles County Regional Park and Open Space District for the First Supervisorial District of the County of Los Angeles, on condition that the funds are used for the completion of the Drew Street Park Community Garden Improvements Project, located within the City of Los Angeles.

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement</u>: The Department of Recreation and Parks (RAP) reports that there is no fiscal impact to the RAP's General Fund as funding for the completion of the Drew Street Park Community Garden Improvements Project will be the responsibility of the LACGC.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

Summary:

On January 27, 2014, your Committee considered a December 11, 2013 RAP report and Resolution relative to assigning to the LACGC a right to apply for Proposition A Cities Excess Funds in the amount of \$20,000 to be used for the completion of the Drew Street Park Community Garden Improvements Project. According to the RAP, as a result of the November 3, 1992 and November 5, 1996 elections, the Los Angeles County Proposition A, Safe Neighborhood Parks Propositions (collectively the Propositions) were enacted, which among other uses, provide funds to public agencies and nonprofit organizations in the County to be used for the acquisition, development and/or rehabilitation of facilities and open space for public recreation.

In accordance with the Proposition A guidelines, each fiscal year, an independent audit of the Proposition A Grant Program calculates the excess of the grant program's revenues over expenses. A portion of these excess funds are made available for eligible projects and are known as Excess Funds. The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors, at its discretion, allocates these funds to eligible applicants. Only applicants that have expended or committed to expend all funds allocated to them are eligible to receive Excess Funds, which are allocated to the following four categories: Competitive Excess Funds, Specified Excess Funds, Cities Excess Funds and County Excess Funds.

As the City's primary grant administrator for the Proposition A Grant Program, the RAP received a request from the County seeking Council approval of the attached resolution assigning the right to apply for Proposition A Cities Excess Funds to the Los Angeles Community Garden Council (LACGC), a non-profit organization. The LACGC is proposing to install a decorative fence around the community garden in the Drew/Estara neighborhood near San Fernando Road and Fletcher Drive in Glassell Park, which provides plots for thirty-eight (38) local families to grow healthy, organic fruits and vegetables for their families and friends.

After consideration and having provided an opportunity for public comment, the Committee moved to recommend adoption of the Motion. This matter is now submitted to Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

ARTS, PARKS, HEALTH, AGING AND RIVER COMMITTEE

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 MEMBER
 VOTE

 O'FARRELL
 YES

 LABONGE:
 YES

 BUSCAINO:
 ABSENT

 CEDILLO:
 ABSENT

 PRICE:
 YES

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ADOPTED

FEB 4 2014 Los angeles city council

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES ASSIGNING THE RIGHT TO APPLY FOR GRANT FUNDS FROM THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY REGIONAL PARK AND OPEN SPACE DISTRICT FOR THE FIRST SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT CITIES EXCESS FUNDS TO THE LOS ANGELES COMMUNITY GARDEN COUNCIL FOR THE DREW STREET PARK COMMUNITY GARDEN IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT

WHEREAS, the people of the County of Los Angeles on November 3, 1992, and on November 5, 1996, enacted the Los Angeles County Proposition A, Safe Neighborhood Parks Propositions (collectively the Propositions), which among other uses, provide funds to public agencies and nonprofit organizations in the County to be used for the acquisition, development and/or rehabilitation of facilities and open space for public recreation;

WHEREAS, the Propositions also created the Los Angeles County Regional Park and Open Space District (the District) to administer said funds;

WHEREAS, the Los Angeles Community Garden Council (LACGC), a non-profit organization, is requesting that the City of Los Angeles assign the right to apply for Proposition A Cities Excess Funds in the amount of \$20,000, in the First Supervisorial District, to LACGC for use in completing the Drew Street Park Community Garden Improvements Project;

WHEREAS, the project consists of the installation of a decorative fence around the community garden in the Drew/Estara neighborhood near San Fernando Road and Fletcher in Glassell Park, which provides plots for thirty-eight (38) local families to grow healthy, organic fruits and vegetables for their families and friends. While the fence is needed to secure the garden effectively, as a decorative fence, it will contribute to the beautification of the neighborhood and continue safe and accessible recreational opportunities in the City of Los Angeles and benefit other County residents in the First Supervisorial District. The total estimated cost for the project is \$20,000; and

WHEREAS, the Drew Street Park Community Garden, owned by the City of Los Angeles and operated by LACGC, under Agreement No. 3399, is located in the City of Los Angeles.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES HEREBY:

1. Assigns to the Los Angeles Community Garden Council (LACGC), a non-profit organization, the right to apply for Proposition A Cities Excess Funds in the amount of \$20,000 in the First Supervisorial District for use in completing the Drew Street Park Community Garden Improvements Project.

I, the undersigned, hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted by the City Council of the City of Los Angeles at its meeting of FEB - 4 2014.

HOLLY L. WOLCOTT, Interim City Clerk

