PUBLIC SAFETY AND BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEES REPORT relative to the Dispute Resolution Program grant award for use by the City Attorney.

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

- 1. APPROVE and AUTHORIZE the City Attorney, or designee, to execute contract Amendment No. 4 between the County of Los Angeles and the City of Los Angeles in the amount of \$328,381 for the period July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2014, subject to the approval of the City Attorney as to form and legality.
- 2. AUTHORIZE the City Attorney, or designee, to accept grant funding in the amount of \$328,381 from the Los Angeles County Department of Community and Senior Services.
- 3. APPROVE the City cash and in-kind match in the amount of \$164,191 for the period July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2014.
- 4. AUTHORIZE the Controller to:
 - a. Establish a receivable within Fund 368 in the amount of \$328,381 from the County of Los Angeles.
 - b. Establish a new appropriation account within Fund 368 as follows:

Account Title Amount
12k701 FY 13-14 DRP Grant \$328,381

- 5. TRANSFER \$165,312 from Fund 368, Account 12K701 to Fund 100/12, Account 001020 Salaries Grant Reimbursed.
- 6. TRANSFER up to \$63,125 from Fund 368, Account 12K701 to Fund 100/12, Account 5301, Reimbursement from Other Funds / Depts upon receipt of reimbursement.
- 7. AUTHORIZE the City Attorney to prepare Controller instructions for any necessary technical adjustments subject to the approval of the City Administrative Officer (CAO); and, AUTHORIZE the Controller to implement the instructions.

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement</u>: The CAO reports that the total cost of the 2013-14 Dispute Resolution Program is \$492,572, of which \$328,381 will be reimbursed by the County of Los Angeles. The match requirement for the grant is \$164,191, however \$139,205 is in earned credit for volunteer hours. The General Fund impact will be \$24,986, which includes \$2,504 in fringe benefits, \$9,373 in central services, and \$13,109 in department administration. The above recommendations are in compliance with City financial policies in that budgeted appropriations will be balanced against receipts expected from the continuation of this grant.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

SUMMARY

In a report to the Mayor and Council dated December 20, 2013 (attached to the Council file), the CAO states that the City Attorney requests authority to receive grant funding from the County of Los Angeles in the amount of \$328,381 for the continuation of the Dispute Resolution Program for the period July 1, 2013, to June 30, 2014. The Dispute Resolution Program encourages dispute resolution services as an alternative to formal administrative or court proceedings. The CAO recommends approval of the City Attorney's request.

At its meeting held January 24, 2014, the Public Safety Committee recommended that Council approve the CAO's recommendations to authorize the City Attorney to accept the grant award from the County of Los Angeles for the continuation of the Dispute Resolution Program. On February 3, 2014, the Budget and Finance Committee concurred with the recommendations of the Public Safety Committee.

Respectfully Submitted,

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

MEMBER VOTE ENGLANDER: YES

BUSCAINO: ABSENT

BONIN: YES O'FARRELL: YES

MARTINEZ: ABSENT

BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

MEMBER VOTE KREKORIAN: YES ENGLANDER: YES

KORETZ: ABSENT

BLUMENFIELD: YES BONIN: YES

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