ADMINISTRATIVE EXEMPTION and TRADE, TRAVEL, AND TOURISM COMMITTEE REPORT relative to a Port of Los Angeles (POLA) agreement with Leidos, Inc., for air quality monitoring services at POLA's four air quality monitoring stations located throughout San Pedro and Wilmington.

Recommendations for Council action:

- 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 POLA Resolution No. 18-8416 authorizing POLA Agreement No. 19-3626 with Leidos, Inc., for air quality monitoring services at POLA's four air quality monitoring stations located throughout San Pedro and Wilmington for a term of five years and for an amount not to exceed \$3,309,494.

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement</u>: The City Administrative Officer (CAO) reports that this action will not impact the General Fund. The proposed agreement will obligate the POLA to a maximum expenditure of \$3,309,494 spread over a five-year term from Fiscal Year (FY) 2018-19 to FY 2023-24. Any subsequent financial obligations after the current FY must be approved by the Board of Harbor Commissioners as part of POLA's annual budgeting process. Funding for the agreement will be included in the Harbor Revenue Fund.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

## TIME LIMIT FILE - APRIL 29, 2019

(LAST DAY FOR COUNCIL ACTION – APRIL 17, 2019)

## **SUMMARY**

In a report to the Mayor dated February 22, 2019, the CAO states that POLA requests approval of the agreement with Leidos Inc., to provide air quality monitoring services. The air quality monitoring services will support POLA's operation and maintenance of air quality networks at four monitoring stations located in San Pedro and Wilmington, and fulfill its commitment to the Clean Air Action Plan (CAAP). Under CAAP, the agreement supports POLA's commitment to track and provide publicly available information on ambient air quality and monitoring data to improve emission programs at the port. The monitoring stations collect real-time air quality measurements.

The CAO goes on to report that Leidos will conduct evaluations of various POLA projects in accordance with compliance under the CAAP, CEQA guidelines, and other areas of air quality. The four air monitoring stations will be open 24 hours a day and every day of the year in and near the vicinity of the port of Los Angeles. Leidos was selected for the proposed agreement following a Request for Proposal process. According to the CAO, POLA requires scientific, expert and technical expertise to operate and maintain its air quality monitoring program. POLA staff resources and specialized technical expertise are not available to carry out all of the required workload and assessments in an efficient manner to conduct environmental impact activities and

operations. According to POLA, it would not be practical or cost-effective to maintain permanent staff on these activities.

On January 24, 2019, the Board of Harbor Commissioners approved POLA's request. The CAO concurs with this action.

At its meeting held March 5, 2019, the Trade, Travel, and Tourism Committee recommended that Council approve the proposed POLA agreement with Leidos, Inc., as recommended by the Board of Harbor Commissioners and the CAO.

Respectfully Submitted,

TRADE, TRAVEL, AND TOURISM COMMITTEE

**MEMBER** 

**VOTE** 

**BUSCAINO: YES** 

**BONIN:** 

YES

**KREKORIAN: YES** 

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