ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the Program Year (PY) 2014-15 WorkSource Center (WSC) Operators Request for Proposal.

Recommendations for Council action:

- ACCEPT the 17 service providers recommended as WSC Operators by the Economic and Workforce Development Department (EWDD) and included in the Attachment to the City Administrative Officer (CAO) report dated May 20, 2014, attached to Council file (C.F.) 14-0451.
- 2. AUTHORIZE the General Manager, EWDD, or designee, to establish a Replacement Operator List consisting of the 17 recommended WSC Operators and the additional four eligible nonselected proposers with a score of 70 or higher as listed the in the Attachment to the CAO report, attached to C.F. 14-0451.

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement</u>: The CAO reports that there is no impact to the General Fund. Funding for the City's WSC System is provided by Workforce Investment Act funds. Approval of these recommendations would authorize acceptance of 17 recommended WSC Operators and establish a Replacement Operator List. Funding and contract authority for these service providers will be addressed under separate cover in the forthcoming PY 2014-15 Workforce Investment Board Annual Plan anticipated for Council consideration by June 2014.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

SUMMARY

At a special meeting held on May 20, 2014, the Economic Development Committee considered a joint report from the Workforce Investment Board and the EWDD dated April 8, 2014, and a report from the CAO dated May 20, 2014, relative to the PY 2014-15 WorkSource Center Operators Request for Proposal final recommendations.

The General Manager and staff of the EWDD and a representative of the CAO appeared before the Committee to provide a brief overview of the matter and respond to related questions. During the discussion, a member of the Committee inquired about the use of mobile WorkSource Center units. The EWDD reported that mobile units had been used in the past, but the service was unfeasible due to the cost of drivers and insurance and the units were discontinued. However, some sites do currently have mobile units such as Goodwill and another major provider in the Downtown area, as well as the Los Angeles Unified School District. The Committee then requested that the EWDD report back relative to a cost-benefit analysis of the mobile units.

After providing an opportunity for public comment, the Committee recommended approval of the recommendations in the CAO report and the request for the EWDD to report with a cost-benefit analysis of the mobile units. This matter is now referred to the Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

MEMBER VOTE
PRICE: YES
KREKORIAN: YES
HUIZAR: YES
CEDILLO: YES

MARTINEZ: ABSENT

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