MOTION

In accordance with policies adopted by Council (C.F. 14-1174) related to the CRA/LA Bond Expenditure Agreement and Bond Spending Plan, any proposal to expend CRA/LA Excess Bond Proceeds shall be initiated by Council Motion. Proposals will be reviewed by the CRA/LA Bond Oversight Committee, Economic Development Committee, and any other applicable committee with final recommendations presented to the Council and Mayor for final consideration and approval.

Council District 15 is actively working to renovate the Watts Civic Center located within the Watts Redevelopment Project Area. The Watts Civic Center is comprised of three City-owned buildings including the former Watts Library, the former civic center building, and the former Fire Station 65 (1501, 1513, and 1525 E. 103rd Street). The former Watts Library was vacated by the Los Angeles Public Library in 1996 and has been used as adjunct space for a former tenant of the civic center building. The former Fire Station 65 was vacated by the Los Angeles Fire Department in 2005. The three buildings are underutilized and in need of various capital improvements to create a renewed Watts Civic Center.

I THEREFORE MOVE that Excess Bond Proceeds available to Council District 15 from the Watts Redevelopment Project Area be utilized to assist in the renovation of the Watts Civic Center.

I FURTHER MOVE that the General Manager, or designee, of the Economic and Workforce Development Department, with the assistance of the City Administrative Officer, Chief Legislative Analyst, Council District 15, and any other applicable City department provide a report with recommendations to the CRA/LA Bond Oversight Committee to allocate Excess Bond Proceeds in the maximum amount available to Council District 15 towards the Watts Civic Center.

PRESENTED BY

Joe Buscaino

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