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The Honorable Bob Blumenfield, Chair
Public Works and Gang Reduction Committee
Los Angeles City Council

c/o Michael Espinosa
Office of the City Clerk
City Hall, Room 395

COUNCIL FILE NO. 14-1510-S11 SIXTH STREET VIADUCT REPLACEMENT PROJECT / NON-FINANCIAL TRANSFER – REPORT TO RECOMMEND AMENDMENT TO MOTION

Dear Councilmember Blumenfield and Honorable Members:

This letter is in response to the Public Works and Gang Reduction Committee staff request on April 10, 2019 for the Bureau of Engineering (BOE) to clarify the purpose of the motion in Council File CF 14-1510-S11 and explain the recommended amendments to the motion.

SUMMARY

The motion in Council File CF 14-1510-S11 identifies the responsibilities for the Departments of Public Works (DPW) and Recreation and Parks (RAP), and authorizes a non-financial transfer of jurisdiction to be completed to effectuate the shared use upon the completion of the Sixth Street Viaduct Replacement Project (Viaduct). When the Viaduct is completed, the DPW will be responsible for the inspection and maintenance of the Viaduct while RAP will operate, manage, and maintain the land underneath and adjacent to the Viaduct. The motion contains language that states that “ownership and control” will be given to RAP and that there will be a “transfer of the acquired properties” to RAP. These actions are not required and are recommended to be removed. The City of Los Angeles is the owner of the acquired properties, not individual City departments. There is no need for transfers of properties which have been acquired. However, what needs to be transferred to RAP is the responsibility for the management, maintenance, and operation of the lands underneath and adjacent to the Viaduct for landscaping purposes. This will be accomplished via the non-financial transfer of jurisdiction.



Additionally, upon advisement from RAP, the “appropriate survey data” in the motion needs to be strengthened to include the completion of a Point Cloud Survey, GeoMatic, or Spatial Survey. These types of surveys will provide a clear delineation of the boundary between the bridge to be maintained by DPW and the landscaping to be maintained by RAP.

RECOMMENDATION

BOE therefore recommends that the motion in CF 14-1510-S11 be amended as follows:

- (1) DELETE “the ownership and control of”
- (2) DELETE “Such actions to include the execution of all necessary documents to effectuate the transfer of the acquired properties,” and REPLACE with “The Department of Recreation and Parks is also hereby directed to accept the transfer of jurisdiction and operate and maintain all related property as needed.”
- (3) To survey data, ADD “...which shall include but not limited to the completion of a Point Cloud Survey, GeoMatic or Spatial Survey;...”

If you have any questions, please contact Gary Lam at (213) 694-4329.

Sincerely,



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Attachment: 6th Street Real Estate Motion

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