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April 21, 2017

Paul Krekorian, Councilmember 2nd District
Chairperson, Budget & Finance Committee
Los Angeles City Council

c/o Richard Williams
City Clerk's Office, City Hall, Room 395
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Councilmember Krekorian:

BUREAU OF ENGINEERING FISCAL YEAR (FY) 2017-18 PROPOSED BUDGET

The Bureau of Engineering (ENGINEERING) appreciates the opportunity to provide comments on the Mayor's FY 2017-18 Proposed Budget. ENGINEERING is a multi-disciplinary, full service professional organization with experienced, dedicated staff with expertise in engineering, architecture, landscape architecture, real estate, environmental clearances, geotechnical, survey, mapping, and other areas including public right-of-way permitting. ENGINEERING is the City's integrated design and construction delivery organization for all the City's major capital improvement and municipal facility projects, except on proprietary department projects.

Request for Unfunded Senior Civil Engineer for Sixth Street Viaduct Park

ENGINEERING requests an unfunded Senior Civil Engineer resolution authority to perform the project and construction management of the \$23.2M sixth street viaduct landscape project, along with several grant funded projects that will provide improvements related to the Sixth Street Viaduct project. Currently ENGINEERING has no authorized positions for the delivery of this project. Approximately 50% of the cost of this position will be reimbursed by grant funding from Proposition K, Active Transportation Program, Local Development Fund, Metro Net Toll Reinvestment and the Mayor's Fund. The remaining funding will be absorbed by additional salary savings.



Impact of the Increased Salary Savings Rate

The increase to our General Fund salary savings rate included in the 2017-18 Proposed Budget may require ENGINEERING to vacate General Funded positions that are currently filled and/or hold additional positions vacant. ENGINEERING anticipates that the vacant General Fund positions will result in design delays on some of the City's municipal facility capital projects.

New Citywide B-Permit Case Management Office

ENGINEERING looks forward to the opportunity to lead the Citywide B-Permit Case Management Office. Customers utilizing the Citywide B-Permit Case Management Office will receive dedicated staff support in obtaining their necessary permits and special development-related services.

Workforce/Succession Planning

ENGINEERING has more than 43 percent of our existing staff eligible for retirement by the end of June 2018, and has nearly 58 percent of our workforce in their current positions for less than three years. Gender equity and succession planning will continue to be ENGINEERING'S top strategic priorities, primarily through the continuation of our recruitment efforts at colleges and universities and hiring as-needed interns as a bridge to full-time employment with the City. We are very excited to see the Mayor's support for Anytime-Anywhere Testing and look forward to utilizing this new resource.

We look forward to continuing to partner with the City Council through this budget process and the upcoming fiscal year. Thank you for your consideration of our comments. If you have any questions, please contact me at (213) 485-4935.

Sincerely,



Electronically signed by 21866 on 04/21/2017 at 11:01:55 AM

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City Engineer

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