

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the Los Angeles Basin Regional Planning Unit Regional Workforce Development Plan for Program Year (PY) 2017-20.

Recommendation for Council action:

APPROVE the Los Angeles Basin Regional Planning Unit Regional Workforce Development Plan for PY 2017-20 as detailed in the July 25, 2017 Joint Workforce Development Board (WDB) and Economic and Workforce Development Department (EWDD) report, attached to the Council file.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The WDB and EWDD report that there is no financial impact on the City's General Fund.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

Summary:

On August 8, 2017, your Committee considered a July 25, 2017 Joint WDB/EWDD report relative to the Los Angeles Basin Regional Planning Unit Regional Workforce Development Plan for PY 2017-20. According to the report, on March 15, 2017, the WDB and EWDD submitted the draft regional plan on behalf of the seven WDAs/WDBs in Los Angeles County and the City of Los Angeles' draft local plan to the California Workforce Development Board (CWDB). The local plan was conditionally approved by the CWDB on May 1, 2017.

Subsequently, technical compliance adjustments were made and successfully re-submitted to the CWDB in early June 2017. On June 21, 2017, Council approved the Local Workforce Development Plan concurrently with the Annual Plan for Year 18, PY 2017-18 (Council File No. 17-0635). The California Workforce Development Board envisions regional plans as the primary mechanism for aligning educational and training provider services with regional industry sector needs within the state's fourteen WIOA Regional Planning Units (RPU). California state law requires coordination between the K-12, community colleges, and WIOA systems and requires the use of sector strategies as the operational framework for the state's workforce system. These two state mandated requirements are met under the State Plan by making federally required WIOA regional plans and partnerships the primary mechanism for aligning educational and training programs with regional industry sector needs.

A primary goal of regional plans is the development of "regional sector pathway" programs, which identify, utilize and maintain career pathway programs aligned with regional industry sector needs in each RPU. Regional sector pathways are seen as the mechanism to ensure that local demand industries' workforce and talent needs are fulfilled, while also ensuring workers and individuals from populations with barriers to employment have opportunities to develop the skills required by these demand industries. This involves access to and provision of adequate remediation and other supportive services to ensure participants will succeed. Successful regional sector pathways result in the outcome of participant attainment of industry recognized postsecondary credentials and employment in the targeted industry. During autumn of 2016, the Los Angeles RPU Regional Workforce Development Plan 2017 - 2020 (regional plan) was crafted through extensive input from the public, industries, labor, government agencies and the nonprofit

community. Meetings and discussions were conducted throughout the City and the region. The regional plan fulfills all technical requirements as defined under State directive and provides an economic and background analysis of the Los Angeles Region, identifies regional sector pathways within growth industries, and conforms to all technical and regional coordination compliance requirements as defined in the California Employment Development Department/CWDB Directive WSD16-07. The regional plan identifies 22 actionable goals (14 technical goals and 8 strategic goals) which the Los Angeles RPU will prioritize, define and ultimately execute as actions and work plans during PY 2017-20.

After further consideration and having provided an opportunity for public comment, the Committee moved to recommend approval of the Los Angeles Basin Regional Planning Unit Regional Workforce Development Plan for PY 2017-20. This matter is now submitted to Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

MEMBER VOTE

PRICE: YES

BUSCAINO: YES

HUIZAR: YES

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