

RESOLUTION

**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES TO ACCEPT GRANT FUNDS FROM THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT, ACTING ON BEHALF OF THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES, FOR THE PROPOSITION 84, INTEGRATED REGIONAL WATER MANAGEMENT (IRWM) GRANT PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, in November 2006, the voters of California enacted the Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality and Supply, Flood Control, River and Coastal Protection Bond Act of 2006 (Proposition 84), adding provisions to the California Water Code Public Resources Code, Sections 75001-75130, authorizing the State Legislature to appropriate \$1 billion for an Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM) Grant Program; and

WHEREAS, the intent of the IRWM Grant Program is to encourage integrated regional strategies for the management of water resources and to provide grant funding for projects that protect communities from drought, improve water reliability, protect and improve water quality, and improve local water security by reducing dependence on imported water, as well as promote an integrated and regional approach to water management; and,

WHEREAS, the Proposition has authorized the California Department of Water Resources (DWR) to administer said funds; and

WHEREAS, the DWR has designated the Los Angeles County Flood Control District (LACFCD) to be the grant Program Manager to receive grant funds and to manage the grant agreement with the State on behalf of the Region; and

WHEREAS, the DWR has granted the Greater Los Angeles County Region IRWMP a total of \$23,400,000, of which \$604,500 has been awarded to the VERMONT AVENUE STORMWATER CAPTURE AND GREEN STREET PROJECT (Project) to be implemented by the City of Los Angeles; and

WHEREAS, these funds will provide for the implementation of stormwater best management practices (BMPs) at the intersection of Vermont Avenue and Gage Avenue, collecting runoff from one 4.7-acre tributary area to Vermont (Area A) in Council District 8; and

WHEREAS, the Project will employ vegetated facilities known as Green Street BMPs to manage stormwater runoff, reduce flows, improve water quality, relieve nuisance flooding, and enhance watershed health; and

WHEREAS, it is in the interest of the City of Los Angeles to accept this funding to implement this City project, as it will improve overall water quality through reductions of total suspended solids, total phosphorus, and total nitrogen; and

WHEREAS, the Proposition 84 IRWM Grant Program guidelines of the DWR and the procedures of the LACFCD require the City of Los Angeles to adopt a resolution authorizing receipt of grant funding of \$604,500 from the DWR and to execute an agreement with the LACFCD to implement the City of Los Angeles' VERMONT AVENUE STORMWATER CAPTURE AND GREEN STREET PROJECT (AREA A); and

WHEREAS, The GLAC Leadership Committee approved a final draft of the updated IRWM Plan December 11, 2013 and the Proposition 84 IRWM Grant Program guidelines of the DWR and the procedures of the LACFCD require the City of Los Angeles to adopt the updated IRWM Plan,

WHEREAS, the use of the City's leveraged resources from the Stormwater Pollution Abatement Fund as front-funding for the implementation and completion of the Project, in an amount not to exceed Seven Hundred Fifty-five Thousand Four Hundred Dollars (\$755,400), relative to the implementation of the VERMONT AVENUE STORMWATER CAPTURE AND GREEN STREET PROJECT (AREA A).

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, with the concurrence of the Mayor, the City Council of the City of Los Angeles hereby:

1. Authorizes the Director or the Assistant Director of the Bureau of Sanitation, or their designee, to accept for and on behalf of the City of Los Angeles, a grant from the Proposition 84 Integrated Regional Water Management Grant Program of the California Department of Water Resources, through the Los Angeles County Flood Control District, in an amount not to exceed \$604,500, for the implementation of the IRWMP VERMONT AVENUE STORMWATER CAPTURE AND GREEN STREET PROJECT (AREA A); and
2. Authorizes the use of the City's leveraged resources from the Stormwater Pollution Abatement Fund as the front-funding for the implementation and completion of the Project, and in-kind staff resources as the City's cost-share contribution, in an amount not to exceed \$755,400, relative to the implementation of the IRWMP VERMONT AVENUE STORMWATER CAPTURE AND GREEN STREET PROJECT (AREA A); and

3. Certifies that the Bureau of Sanitation or title holder will have sufficient funds to implement the Project or will secure the resources to do so; and
4. Certifies that the Project will comply with any applicable laws and regulations; and
5. Authorizes the Director or the Assistant Director of the Bureau of Sanitation, or their designee, to accept grant funding; to conduct all negotiations; to provide additional information; to render and certify payment of invoices on behalf of the City; and to execute and submit all documents including, but not limited to, applications, agreements, or amendments, subject to the approval of the City Attorney as to form, which may be necessary for the completion of the IRWMP VERMONT AVENUE STORMWATER CAPTURE AND GREEN STREET PROJECT (AREA A).

PRESENTED BY \_\_\_\_\_  
MARQUEECE  
HARRIS-DAWSON  
Councilmember, 8th District

SECONDED BY \_\_\_\_\_

