

MOTION

On December 17, 2017, the Urban and Community Forestry Program Grant was released by CAL FIRE. The grant provided \$17,500,000 of the State of California's Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund funding for the Urban and Community Forestry California Climate Investments projects in fiscal year 2017/2018.

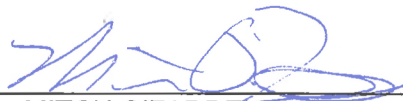
On February 26, 2018, the Department of Recreation and Parks (RAP) submitted a successful grant concept proposal for the City of Los Angeles Park Tree Inventory, Tree Planting and Arboriculture Education Project in the Urban Forest Management Activities category of the grant program. RAP was invited to submit a full grant application for award consideration, and it was successfully submitted on May 30, 2018 for \$1,312,500 with a fund match of \$437,500 for the project, total project cost of \$1,750,000 (RAP Board Report No. 18-089, May 16, 2018) (C.F. 18-0478). The City Council and Mayor subsequently concurred with the Board's recommendation to apply for this grant in June 2018. Funding from this grant will allow RAP to develop a comprehensive park tree inventory, plant 680 new trees at parks with low tree canopy coverage in disadvantaged and low-income communities, increase public awareness about the state of the City's park tree system through public arboriculture care workshops, support job training, and successfully track and evaluate the health of park trees.

On July 27, 2018, RAP was notified by CAL FIRE that the Project was selected for the award of the Urban and Community Forestry Program grant for the original amount of \$1,312,500 and on August 6, 2018, the CAL FIRE Grant Agreement was delivered to RAP. CAL FIRE requires the Grant Agreement to be signed by the RAP General Manager and returned by September 4, 2018, to be fully executed.

**I THEREFORE MOVE** that the City Council authorize the Department of Recreation and Parks to receive and accept the award of the CAL FIRE Urban and Community Forestry Program grant fund for the City of Los Angeles Park Tree Inventory, Tree Planting and Arboriculture Education project in the amount of \$1,312,500 and authorize the Controller to deposit and appropriate \$1,312,500 to Recreation and Parks Fund No. 205, Department No. 89, Account No. TBD.

**I FURTHER MOVE THAT** the Recreation and Parks Department be authorized to make any corrections or clarifications to the above instructions in order to effectuate the intent of this Motion.

PRESENTED BY:



MITCH O'FARRELL  
Councilmember, 13<sup>th</sup> District

SECONDED BY:



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