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

c/o Andrew Choi, Office of the City Clerk, City Hall Room 395

Dear Councilmember Krekorian:

BUREAU OF ENGINEERING FISCAL YEAR (FY) 2019-20 PROPOSED BUDGET

The Bureau of Engineering (ENGINEERING) appreciates the opportunity to provide input on the Mayor's FY 2019-20 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 public right-of-way permitting. As the City's integrated design and construction delivery organization for the City's major capital improvement and municipal facility projects, ENGINEERING looks forward to initiating the delivery of new infrastructure projects and expanding development-related public counter services as reflected in the Mayor's FY 2019-20 Proposed Budget.

Service Delivery for Development

The Proposed Budget provides eight additional positions to enhance service delivery in the Development Services Program (DSP), including environmental review, final map review, structural engineering plan checking, and support for the \$5.5 billion Landside Access Modernization Program at the Los Angeles International airport. The Proposed Budget also continues 37 resolution authority positions that will allow our DSP to maintain critical services for the development community.

Wastewater and Stormwater Infrastructure Projects

The Proposed Budget provides three additional positions to augment current resources working on emergency sewer repair and stormwater capture projects. In addition, 31 resolution authority positions were continued to maintain staffing for the delivery of various

capital infrastructure projects, including the City's water reclamation plants, sewers, stormwater drainage systems and facilities, and enhanced watershed facilities.

Mobility Infrastructure Projects

The Proposed Budget provides 12 additional positions to supplement existing Street Improvement staff working on Active Transportation Projects and other infrastructure projects, including those funded by the Affordable Housing Sustainable Community grant. With the continuation of 79 resolution authority positions, ENGINEERING will continue delivering the City's mobility related capital projects and programs in FY 2019-20, which also includes bridges, streets, Pavement Preservation, Vision Zero, and Great Streets.

Public Buildings and Open Spaces Projects

The Proposed Budget continues five positions that will allow ENGINEERING to manage and deliver critical Bridge Home facilities and other Homeless projects during FY 2019-20, a priority for the City.

For the Civic Center Development, the Proposed Budget continues seven resolution authority positions for the Los Angeles Street Civic Building (LASCB). It also provides a new position required for the Civic Center Development Master Plan Environmental Impact Report. With the advancement of the LASCB project, the City and ENGINEERING will secure its position as a national leader in alternative delivery methods.

In addition, the Proposed Budget added a position to increase support for electric vehicle charging and solar power installations at City facilities.

Succession Planning

ENGINEERING is leading multiple new City programs and projects and addressing an increase in private development business. With many new employees expected over the next few fiscal years, we continue to prioritize staff training and development.

In alignment with our new Strategic Plan, our employees are undertaking innovative initiatives to improve our core services and deliver the City's capital projects more efficiently. These initiatives prioritize the City's Sustainability and Resiliency objectives. ENGINEERING continues to expand our diversity and gender equity in our recruitment efforts. We have led the way with a record hiring of women engineers, with a more than 50 percent increase in the number of women engineers since FY 2013-14.

I continue to be impressed by the tremendous work effort of all ENGINEERING employees and thank them for their continued commitment and perseverance.

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We look forward to partnering with the City Council through this budget process and in 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,

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