

MOTION

TRADE, TRAVEL AND TOURISM

The Los Angeles Sanitation and Environment (LASAN) owns and maintains the Harbor Solid Resources Collection Yard (Harbor Yard) and adjacent Gaffey Landfill. In 2002, Gaffey Landfill was converted into a 17-acre Field of Dreams Soccer Complex that is currently managed by the Harbor Youth Soccer Organization under a permit from the Department of Recreation and Parks. The Harbor Yard, which provides refuse, recycling and yard trimmings collection service to the Harbor area, has been in operation for over 50 years.

As the City has set a goal to eliminate coal-fired power plants from the Department of Water and Power's electricity-generation portfolio by 2025; and movement towards renewable energy sources demonstrates National leadership in sustainability objectives. Generating greater quantities of clean energy is key to meeting sustainability objectives and recognizing the potential for fossil-free future.

The size of the Field of Dreams site makes it a good candidate for developing solar power generation system over the parking lot, and along the perimeter, without interfering with the fields of play. Based on the available area, it is estimated that a 3 megawatts (MW) facility could be developed at the site. A portion of the solar power generated could be used to power the fields and provide charging stations for future electric collection vehicles and the Harbor Yard.

There is also a current 20-year contract between Hecate Energy LLC and the Harbor Department for the installation, maintenance and operation of solar power generating systems in Harbor-area locations.

The Harbor Yard's infrastructure is outdated. Major overhaul and crucial improvements are needed to modernize the Harbor Yard and turn it into a state-of-the-art facility that will meet the City's sustainability objectives and initiatives; and enable LASAN to continue to provide effective service to the community.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Harbor Department and the Bureau of Sanitation (LASAN), in conjunction with the Department of Recreation and Parks, be requested/instructed to prepare an amendment to the Harbor Department's Agreement 15-3354 to include the Field of Dreams Soccer Complex's parking lot as a location for the installation of up to 3 MWs of solar power generation systems; and that these entities report on the status of the amendment in 60 days.

I FURTHER MOVE that LASAN be instructed to develop a master plan for the existing Harbor Yard to include all necessary attributes to meet the City's sustainability objectives; and to engage the community as part of the master plan development process.

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