

MOTION

California voters passed the California Drought, Water, Parks, Climate, Coastal Protection, and Outdoor Access for All Act of 2018 (Proposition 68) on June 5, 2018. Proposition 68 authorized the Legislature to appropriate \$18.5 million to the California Natural Resources Agency (Agency or State) for competitive grants for multi-benefit green infrastructure investments in disadvantaged or severely disadvantaged communities. This resulted in the formation of the Green Infrastructure (GI) Grant Program administered by the Agency.

In an effort to seek funding from this source, on January 29, 2020 the City Council authorized the Bureau of Sanitation (LASAN) to apply for grant funding from the State's GI Grant Program, in the amount of \$714,424, to support the Boyle Heights Green Alley Project (CF# 20-0093). The project, located in CD 14, sought to plant a minimum of 500 shade trees, remove concrete, and provide water and maintenance for all project trees.

After a recent site visit, the State requested that the scope of the project be expanded to include up to 1400 trees. As a result, the State is willing to provide up to \$2,265,000 to support the re-scoped project. The State maintains that this effort will more effectively meet the needs of the local community consistent with the objectives of the GI Grant Program.


In order to process grant funding for the re-scoped project, it is necessary to authorize LASAN to apply for and accept grant funding up to \$2,265,000. In this manner the City can proceed with the project and meet the needs of the local community.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the City Council, with the concurrence of the Mayor, hereby authorize the Director of the Bureau of Sanitation (LASAN), or his designee, to apply, accept, negotiate, execute, and submit all documents, including but not limited to, applications, agreements, payment requests, amendments, extensions, subject to the approval of the City Attorney as to form and legality, which may be necessary to secure grant funding up to \$2,265,000 from the California Natural Resources Agency's Green Infrastructure Grant Program to support the Boyle Heights Green Alley Project.

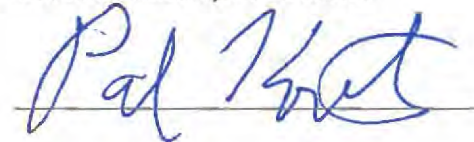
I FURTHER MOVE that the City Council re-affirm the adoption of the Resolution, previously adopted on January 29, 2020 (CF# 20-0093), for the purposes of this action and as required by the California Natural Resources Agency for the administration of the Green Infrastructure Grant Program.



PRESENTED BY:


JOSE HUIZAR
Councilmember, 14th District

SECONDED BY:



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