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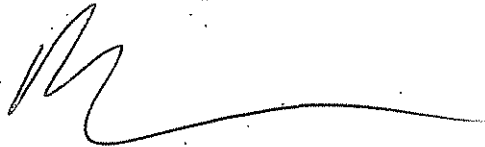
**THE COUNCIL**

Date: MAR 10 2010

From:

**THE MAYOR**

TRANSMITTED FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION. PLEASE SEE ATTACHED.



*Brett Messing for*

**ANTONIO R. VILLARAIGOSA**  
Mayor

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Honorable Antonio R. Villaraigosa  
Mayor, City of Los Angeles  
Room 303, City Hall

**Attention: Pamela Finley, Legislative Coordinator**

**COMMITTEE TRANSMITTAL: REQUEST FOR AUTHORITY TO EXECUTE A NEW INTER-AGENCY AGREEMENT WITH THE HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES (HACLA)**

**ACTION REQUESTED**

The General Manager, Community Development Department (CDD), respectfully requests that your office forward this transmittal to the City Council for review and approval.

This Inter-Agency Agreement (Agreement) is entered into by and between the HACLA and the CDD, of the City of Los Angeles for the preparation and processing for approval of, environmental documentation under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and other relevant federal, state and local environmental laws and regulations.

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

The General Manager of CDD respectfully requests that the Mayor and City Council:

1. Authorize the General Manager, CDD, to execute an agreement with HACLA for the period of January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2010 in an amount not to exceed \$90,000 for the preparation, by CDD, of NEPA and CEQA documentation, and the payment by HACLA for this service.

**SUMMARY**

Transmitted herewith for your review, approval and further processing of the Inter-Agency Agreement for \$90,000 between the City of Los Angeles and the HACLA for the period of January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2010. This is the first year of a three year agreement. The agreement will be for a one-year period with two one-year extensions, subject each year to satisfactory performance and continued availability of funds from HACLA. The purpose of the agreement is to enable the CDD to perform respective Environmental Reviews for HACLA. The agreement will expedite the processing for review and approval, those HACLA projects funded with federal funds. Many of the projects require NEPA and CEQA review compliance.

The projects proposed to be covered under the Agreement may include, but are not limited, to any and/or all of the projects listed in the Comprehensive Plan for Modernization, and specifically, the Physical Needs Assessment, which are included in the HACLA Federal Fiscal Year 2010 Capital Grant Program (CA16P004501-10), and other projects which may be included in future grants under the CGP, hereby incorporated by reference.

The HACLA will contribute \$90,000 to this Agreement for a total of \$270,000 for three years. CDD will provide invoices to HACLA for services rendered.

**FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

There is no fiscal impact to the General Fund as this agreement is funded with HACLA federal grant funds.

**DISCUSSION**

The Housing Authority of the City of Los Angeles requires NEPA and CEQA clearance for their comprehensive grant funded projects. HUD does not accept environmental documents not reviewed or approved by a local HUD certified entity. The Community Development Department is the local agency selected by HUD to perform the required NEPA environmental documentation because of CDD's knowledge, resources and expertise on federally funded projects. The extra responsibilities will not impact other CDD/City Department projects and will help off set the short fall of CDD Administrative Budget.



RICHARD L. BENBOW  
General Manager

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