

COMMUNICATION

File No. 12-1348

TO: LOS ANGELES CITY COUNCIL

FROM: COUNCILMEMBER JOE BUSCAINO, CHAIR
PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

COMMUNICATION FROM CHAIR, PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE and NEGATIVE DECLARATION relative to the New Northeast Area Police Station California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) compliance and project approval (W.O. No. E170712B).

Recommendations for Council action:

1. FIND that this project will not cause significant impacts, pursuant to the City's Environmental Guidelines and is in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA); that the Negative Declaration reflects the independent judgment of the City of Los Angeles; that the documents constituting the record of proceedings in this matter are located in Council File No. [12-1348](#) in the custody of the City Clerk; and ADOPT the CEQA Initial Study/Negative Declaration (W.O. NO. E170712B).
2. APPROVE the project as described in the Initial Study.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The Board of Public Works reports that the project has a budget of approximately \$29,450,000. Funding is from Proposition Q General Obligation Bond funds (\$28.45 million), Police Forfeited Asset funds (\$0.5 million) and \$0.5 million of additional funds to be identified by the Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD). The project will not impact the General Fund.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

SUMMARY

At its regular meeting held on October 10, 2012, the Public Works Committee considered a Board of Public Works report relative to the New Northeast Area Police Station California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) compliance and project approval (W.O. No. E170712B).

The proposed project would replace the 41,000 square-foot two-story administration building at the existing Northeast Community Police Station (3353 San Fernando Road) with a new administration building for the same purpose. The existing administration building was acquired by the City in the early 1980s and has been occupied by the LAPD since 1983. For some time, the LAPD has indicated that the building floor plan is not efficient for police station operations given that the building was not designed for that purpose. The new administration building would be specifically designed for police operations and thus would be an improvement over the existing building. Funding for the project would be from Proposition Q, the Citywide Public Safety Bond Measure for \$600 million passed in June 2002 by voters in the City of Los Angeles to provide funds to improve renovate, expand and construct public safety facilities throughout the City.

After having provided an opportunity for public comment, the Committee Chair moved to recommend approval of the recommendations as contained in said City Engineer report. This matter is now submitted to Council for its consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

COUNCILMEMBER JOE BUSCAINO, CHAIR
PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
BUSCAINO:	YES
KREKORIAN:	ABSENT
GARCETTI:	ABSENT

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