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Subject: AUTHORITY TO ACCEPT, NEGOTIATE, AND EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA FOR GRANT FUNDS FOR THE URBAN GREENING PLANNING GRANT PROGRAM UNDER THE SAFE DRINKING WATER, WATER QUALITY AND SUPPLY, FLOOD CONTROL, RIVER AND COASTAL PROTECTION BOND ACT OF 2006 (PROPOSITION 84)

As recommended in the accompanying report of the Director of the Bureau of Sanitation, which this Board has adopted, the Board of Public Works requests that the City Council, subject to concurrence of the Mayor, authorize the Director of the Bureau of Sanitation, or his designee, to accept grant funding from the State of California for the Urban Greening Planning Grant Program for the Wilmington Urban Greening Plan under Proposition 84.

It is also requested, that the City Council, subject to concurrence of the Mayor, adopt Resolutions authorizing the submission of a grant application to the State of California's Strategic Growth Council and appointing the Director or his designee, to conduct all negotiations, to provide additional information, to execute and to submit all grant documents, including but not limited to, applications, agreements, and amendments, subject to the approval of the City Attorney as to form and legality, which may be necessary to receive funding with respect to the implementation of the Wilmington Urban Greening Plan (Transmittal No. 1).

FISCAL IMPACT

Stormwater Pollution Abatement Fund will provide funding in the amount of \$250,000 for the Wilmington Urban Greening Plan project. There is no impact to the City's General Fund.

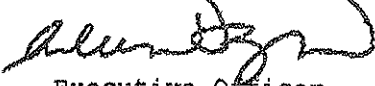
Respectfully submitted,

Arleen P. Taylor, Executive Officer
Board of Public Works

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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS
BUREAU OF SANITATION
BOARD REPORT NO. 1
April 14, 2014

ADOPTED BY THE BOARD
PUBLIC WORKS OF THE CITY
of Los Angeles California
AND REFERRED TO THE MAYOR
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AND REFERRED TO THE CITY COUNCIL

Executive Officer

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AUTHORITY TO ACCEPT, NEGOTIATE, AND EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA FOR GRANT FUNDS AND ADOPT A RESOLUTION FOR THE URBAN GREENING PLANNING GRANT PROGRAM UNDER THE SAFE DRINKING WATER, WATER QUALITY AND SUPPLY, FLOOD CONTROL, RIVER AND COASTAL PROTECTION BOND ACT OF 2006 (PROPOSITION 84)

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Approve and forward this report forthwith, with its transmittal, to the Mayor and the City Council, with the recommendation that the City Council, subject to concurrence of the Mayor, authorize the Director of the Bureau of Sanitation (Bureau) or their designee, to accept grant funding from the State of California for the Urban Greening Planning Grant Program for the Wilmington Urban Greening Plan under Proposition 84.
2. Request the City Council, subject to concurrence by the Mayor, adopt Resolutions authorizing the submission of a grant application to the State of California's Strategic Growth Council and appointing the Director of the Bureau of Sanitation or their designee, to conduct all negotiations, to provide additional information, to execute and to submit all grant documents, including but not limited to, applications, agreements, and amendments, subject to the approval of the City Attorney as to form, which may be necessary to receive funding with respect to the implementation of the Wilmington Urban Greening Plan (Transmittal 1).

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

Stormwater Pollution Abatement Fund will provide funding in the amount of \$250,000 for the Wilmington Urban Greening Plan project. There is no impact to the City's General Fund.

TRANSMITTAL

1. Resolution for the State of California Urban Greening Planning Grant Program

BACKGROUND

The \$5.4 billion Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality and Supply, Flood Control, River and Coastal protection Bond Act of 2006 (Proposition 84) was passed by the voters on November 7, 2006. Proposition 84 authorized up to \$17.5 million for the Urban Greening Planning Program (Planning Grant) for the purpose of creating urban greening plans that will serve as the master document guiding and coordinating greening projects. The Strategic Growth Council (SGC) has been delegated by the State the responsibility for managing the grant program.

On June 20, 2011, the City Council and Mayor authorized the Community Redevelopment Agency of the City of Los Angeles (CRA/LA) to submit grant applications for the Strategic Growth Council's Planning Grant and Project Grant Programs (C.F. 10-0540).

On May 10, 2012, the SGC awarded \$250,000 to the CRA/LA's Wilmington Urban Greening Plan.

However, with the dissolution of the CRA/LA and redevelopment agencies statewide by way of State Legislation Bill AB1x-26 on February 1, 2012, the awarded grant projects must be transferred to a city department to enter into an agreement with the State of California to carry out the development of the proposals.

According to the administrator for the SGC, the California Natural Resources Agency, the grant agreement must be executed by May 1, 2014 or funds will otherwise expire.

As such, the Department of Public Works, Bureau of Sanitation (Sanitation) is seeking City Council and Mayor approval to assume the role of lead agency for the awarded grant. The adoption of a Resolution authorizing Sanitation to enter into an agreement with the State of California (Transmittal 1) is required by the SGC for the grant.

The estimated cost for the Wilmington Urban Greening Plan is \$250,000 and will develop a comprehensive urban greening plan for the Wilmington community.

The urban greening plan is meant as a 30 year plan to include the following components:

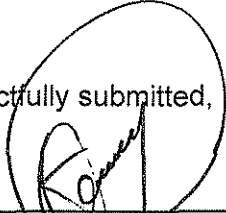
- Coordinated Approach to Urban Greening: City will convene with non-profits and community stakeholders to creatively address the environmental challenges Wilmington faces through the comprehensive urban greening plan.
- Needs Assessment for Urban Greening: City will outline the existing community conditions and summarize relevant studies and data. City will create a community needs assessment and identify priorities and opportunity sites for greening on a community level.
- Urban Greening Goals and Objectives: City will work with the Urban Greening Committee and community stakeholders to establish goals and objectives for the plan and identify any other specific planning activities that should be carried out during development of the Wilmington Urban Greening Plan.
- Open Space and Park Acreage Action Plan: The City will work with Recreation and Parks, Department of City Planning and Trust for Public Lands to create a plan for the acquisition and development of open space, pocket parks, community gardens and recreational space/facilities.
- Non-Motorized Circulation Plan: City will devise strategies on greening streets and plan for alley conversion in an effort to create and map a network of pedestrian/bicycle friendly connections that could be incorporated in variety of long range plan.

STATUS OF FINANCING

Funds in the amount of \$250,000 for the Wilmington Urban Greening Plan project are included in the FY 2014-15, Fund 511, Stormwater Pollution Abatement Fund budget request.

The City's liability under this Contract shall only be to the extent of the present City appropriation to fund the Contract. However, if the City shall appropriate funds for any succeeding years, the City's liability shall be extended to the extent of such appropriation, subject to the terms and conditions of the Contract.

Respectfully submitted,



ENRIQUE S. ZALDIVAR, Director
Bureau of Sanitation

APPROVED AS TO FUNDS:



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RESOLUTION

CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES APPROVING THE BUREAU OF SANITATION TO APPLY FOR, ACCEPT, NEGOTIATE, AND EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT FOR GRANT FUNDS FOR THE URBAN GREENING PLANNING GRANT PROGRAM UNDER THE SAFE DRINKING WATER, WATER QUALITY AND SUPPLY, FLOOD CONTROL, RIVER AND COASTAL PROTECTION BOND ACT OF 2006 (PROPOSITION 84)

WHEREAS, the Legislature and Governor of the State of California have provided funds for the program shown above;

WHEREAS, the Strategic Growth Council has been delegated the responsibility for the administration of this grant program, establishing necessary procedures;

WHEREAS, said procedures established by the Strategic Growth Council require a resolution certifying the approval of application(s) by the Applicants governing board before submission of said application(s) to the State;

WHEREAS, the Strategic Growth Council has selected the City of Los Angeles to enter into an agreement with the State of California to carry out the development of the Urban Greening Plan submitted by the CRA/LA for the WILMINGTON URBAN GREENING PLAN in the amount of \$250,000;

WHEREAS, with the dissolution of the CRA/LA and redevelopment agencies statewide by way of State Legislation Bill AB1x-26, the awarded grant must be transferred to a city department to enter into an agreement with the State of California to carry out the development of the WILMINGTON URBAN GREENING PLAN;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, with the concurrence of the Mayor, the Council of the City of Los Angeles hereby:

1. Appoints the Director of the Bureau of Sanitation, or their designee, to accept grant funding; to conduct all negotiations; to provide additional information; and to execute and submit all documents including, but not limited to, applications, agreements, amendments, payment requests, and so on, subject to the approval of the City Attorney as to form, which may be necessary for the completion of the WILMINGTON URBAN GREENING PLAN; and
2. Certifies that the City of Los Angeles understands the assurances and certification in the application; and
3. Certifies that the City of Los Angeles will have sufficient funds to operate and maintain the project consistent with the land tenure requirements; or will secure the resources to do so, and
4. Certifies that the City of Los Angeles will work towards the Governor's State Planning Priorities intended to promote equity, strengthen the economy, protect the environment, and promote public health and safety as included in Government Code Section 65041.1.

ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL: _____

I, the undersigned, hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted by the Council of the City of Los Angeles.

Following Roll Call Vote: Ayes: _____

Nos: _____

Absent: _____

Clerk/Secretary for the Governing Board