

ARTS, PARKS, HEALTH, AGING AND RIVER COMMITTEE REPORT relative to proposed Amendment No. 1 to Proposition K Grant Agreement No. C-119012 to extend the deadline for completion of design and construction for the Mudtown Farms Garden - Lighting and Fencing Project.

Recommendations for Council action:

1. APPROVE the Watts Labor Community Action Committee's (WLCAC) request to extend the deadline under Proposition K Grant Agreement No. C-119012 for design and construction of the Mudtown Farms - Garden Lighting and Fencing Project from June 26, 2013 to June 26, 2016.
2. AUTHORIZE the City Engineer to negotiate and execute Amendment No. 1 to Proposition K Grant Agreement No. C-119012.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The LA for Kids Steering Committee (Steering Committee) reports that the WLCAC has received total funding of \$208,462 in Proposition K competitive funds to install lighting and perimeter fencing for the community garden. The recommended extension would provide additional time needed to complete the Project, including closeout activities. There is no impact on the General Fund as a result of the recommended actions.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

Summary:

On September 22, 2014, your Committee considered a September 3, 2014 Steering Committee report relative to proposed Amendment No. 1 to Proposition K Grant Agreement No. C-119012 to extend the deadline for completion of design and construction for the Mudtown Farms Garden - Lighting and Fencing Project . According to the Steering Committee, in June 2010, the WLCAC was awarded \$208,462 in Proposition K competitive funds under the 7th Funding Cycle Request for Proposals process for the MudTown Farms - Garden Lighting and Fencing Project, located at 2051 East 103 Street, Los Angeles, California 90002. In April 2012, WLCAC was also awarded \$4,961,757 in State of California Proposition 84 funds for a separate urban farm park project at the same site. The Proposition 84 and the Proposition K projects are separate and distinct projects that may be put out to bid at the same time. Technically, one project could proceed without the other project if necessary.

The WLCAC's intent is to complete both the Proposition K and Proposition 84 projects at the same time. In order to implement the Proposition 84 project, the property had to be re-zoned through the Jordan Downs Specific Plan. The re-zoning caused a delay in starting the Proposition K project. In a letter dated August 11, 2014, WLCAC stated that they have been officially awarded Proposition 84 funds, and the re-zoning designation has been approved, therefore they requested an extension of the deadline to complete design and construction under the Proposition K Grant Agreement from June 26, 2013 to June 26, 2016. The Bureau of Engineering believes that it is in the best interest of the City and WLCAC to extend the deadline for completion of design and construction from June 26, 2013 to June 26, 2016, which will give WLCAC sufficient time to complete design and construction of the Proposition K project, and all related closeout activities.

After consideration and having provided an opportunity for public comment, the Committee moved to recommend approval of the recommendation contained in the September 3, 2014 Steering Committee report and detailed in the above recommendations. This matter is now submitted to Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

ARTS, PARKS, HEALTH, AGING AND RIVER COMMITTEE

**MEMBER    VOTE**

O'FARRELL: YES

LABONGE: YES

BUSCAINO: YES

CEDILLO: YES

PRICE: YES

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9/22/14

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