

ENERGY, CLIMATE CHANGE, AND ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE REPORT and RESOLUTION relative to authorization to accept \$1,500,000 from the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE) for the Shade Los Angeles Project.

Recommendations for Council action, SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR:

1. AUTHORIZE the Director, Bureau of Sanitation (BOS), or designee, to apply for, accept, negotiate, execute and 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, if awarded a grant, from the CAL FIRE for the Shade Los Angeles Project not exceeding the amount of \$1,500,000.
2. AUTHORIZE a loan from the Public Works Trust Fund, Fund 834, in the amount of \$500,000 payable by the Environmental Affairs Trust Fund, Fund 537, to front-fund the Shade Los Angeles Project, until the final grant proceeds are received on a cost reimbursement basis, if the Project is funded.
3. AUTHORIZE the Director, Office of Accounting, Board of Public Works (BPW) to:
 - a. Release the Public Works Trust Fund Loan upon providing a copy of the proof of grant award.
 - b. Assess and collect the interest earned while the loan is in the Environmental Affairs Trust Fund, and at the rate that Office of Finance is using to allocate interest to various investment pools with any unpaid interest at the end of the month will be added to the principal amount of the loan.
4. REQUEST the BPW to authorize:
 - a. The Office of Community Beautification to amend Contract No. C-124509, or newer 2018/2019 contract, with the Los Angeles Conservation Corps to increase the contract ceiling by \$1,500,000, and to extend the contract to cover the grant implementation period ending June 30, 2022, if the grant proposal is funded.
 - b. Work up to \$1,500,000.
 - c. The Director, Office of Accounting to transfer \$500,000 from the Public Works Trust Fund No. 834 to the Environmental Affairs Trust Fund No. 537, and to appropriate said amount in Environmental Affairs Trust Fund No. 537, Department 50, New Account (Shade Los Angeles), and to make payments to LA Conservation Corps, their subcontractors and for other BOS expenses, if grant is awarded.
 - d. Reimbursements from CAL FIRE to be deposited into the Environmental Affairs Trust Fund and ultimately, to be transferred back to the Public Works Trust Fund upon receipt of the final invoice payment.
5. REQUEST and AUTHORIZE the Controller make technical corrections as necessary.

6. ADOPT the accompanying RESOLUTION authorizing the submission of the grant application to CAL FIRE and appointing the Director, BOS, or designee, to conduct all negotiations, execute and submit all documents including, but not limited to applications, agreements, amendments, and payment requests, which may be necessary to carry out the purpose of this Resolution in compliance with CAL FIRE requirements to complete the Project and expend grant funds prior to March 30, 2022, (and invoiced by June 30, 2022), if awarded the grant.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The Board of Public Works reports that there is no impact to the City's General Fund. The Public Works Trust Fund will front fund the project for \$500,000, and the Public Works Trust Fund will be reimbursed by the Environmental Affairs Trust Fund as granted proceeds are received at the end of the project.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

Summary:

On April 17, 2018, your Committee considered an April 2, 2018 BPW report and Resolution relative to authorization to accept \$1,500,000 from CAL FIRE for the Shade Los Angeles Project. According to the BPW, CAL FIRE is offering grant funding from the Urban and Community Forestry Program (Program) for tree planting and urban greening projects that will contribute to the reduction of greenhouse gases. Highest priority projects are those that will be exclusively located in census tracts described by AB 1550 (2015-16 Greenhouse gases: investment plan: disadvantaged communities) to designate disadvantaged and low income communities. The BOS will use the AB 1550 map and CalEnviro Screen 3.0 to identify those communities and invite residents to request a free street tree. The Program encourages projects that produce multiple benefits that reduce greenhouse gas emissions, increase water use efficiency, reduce risks from climate change impacts, and demonstrate collaboration with local, state, and community entities.

After consideration and having provided an opportunity for public comment, the Committee moved to recommend approval of the recommendation contained in the April 2, 2018 BPW report and accompanying Resolution. This matter is now submitted to Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

ENERGY, CLIMATE CHANGE, AND ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE



<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
MARTINEZ:	YES
KORETZ:	YES
KREKORIAN:	YES
CEDILLO:	ABSENT

O'FARRELL: YES

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4/17/18

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