

MOTION

The Los Angeles region is currently experiencing significant need in the area of reentry services for our formerly incarcerated residents. 117,977 individuals are released from Los Angeles County jails annually. The majority of them will return to the City of Los Angeles. This does not account for the score of individuals returning to our region from state prison.

Under Proposition 47 — a 2014 voter-approved measure that changed some low level crimes, such as drug possession and petty-theft related offenses, from felonies to misdemeanors, our region will continue to have increased need in the areas of employment, housing, education, trauma-informed care and family reunification for individuals returning to our communities.

The State has offered to award a grant of \$6 million in Prop. 47 funds to the Mayor's Office of Reentry to be utilized for local programs that work to reduce recidivism.

The Mayor's office intends to allocate the funds to supplement employment services with holistic wrap-around services including behavioral health services, peer-based mentorship, and legal services - all of which address areas of significant need post-release.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Mayor be authorized to accept on behalf of the City, a grant by the State of California of Prop. 47 funding in the amount of \$5.98 million for a 3-year performance period beginning on or after July 1, 2017 and extending for a 3-year period from the start date, but through no earlier than June 30, 2020 to be utilized for local programs that work to reduce recidivism including implementation of employment programs with wrap-around support, for formerly incarcerated individuals in the Los Angeles region.

I FURTHER MOVE that upon acceptance of this grant, the Mayor's office be requested to report with the details on how this grant will be implemented and with recommendations for executing and processing any grant-related documents which may be required for this grant.

PRESENTED BY: 
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