


MOTION

The Little Italy of Los Angeles Association (LILAA) was formed in 2018 in order to advance economic development in downtown San Pedro through authentic cultural events and experiences. To this end, LILAA has approached the City of Los Angeles with a public-private partnership proposal to assume management and programming responsibilities for an existing, underutilized public plaza in downtown San Pedro, located at 603 S. Harbor Boulevard (Assessor's Parcel Number: 7455-026-939). The proposal includes a number of upgrades to the site, including additional seating and other improvements, to create a central meeting space for the community.

The Department of Transportation's People Street Program was established to create vibrant, active urban spaces in partnership with local community groups and non-profits. Under that program, the partner organization executes a one-year renewable Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the City and takes responsibility for community outreach, design development, capital costs, installation, operation, management, and maintenance associated with their proposed project. The LILAA proposal would expand this work to a public space currently administered through the City's Department of General Services.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the City Council instruct the Department of General Services, with the assistance of other appropriate departments and the City Attorney, to negotiate a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) or other appropriate legal instrument with the Little Italy of Los Angeles Association, a non-profit organization, for the purposes of improving, managing and activating an existing public plaza located at 603 S. Harbor Boulevard (Assessor's Parcel Number: 7455-026-0939).

PRESENTED BY: 

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