

AD HOC ON COVID-19 RECOVERY AND NEIGHBORHOOD INVESTMENT COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the COVID-19 Utility Grant Program.

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

1. AUTHORIZE \$50 million of Coronavirus Relief Funds currently set-aside for the Right-to-Recover initiative to fund the COVID-19 Utility Grant program, which will be administered in partnership with the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP) as substantially detailed in the October 16, 2020 Chief Legislative Analyst (CLA) report, attached to the Council file.
2. TRANSFER up to \$50 million within City Administrative Officer (CAO) Department No. 10, COVID-19 Federal Relief Fund No. 63M, to the following account; Fund No. 704, Department of Water and Power FUND ID No. 98.
3. REQUEST the the Board of Water and Power Commissioners to accept and approve the use of CARES Act funds to implement the COVID-19 Utility Grant program and to support the necessary staff and technical resources to execute the program.
4. DIRECT the LADWP to report to Council after the completion of the program on its efforts, including the total amount of funds expended and customers assisted.
5. AUTHORIZE the CAO to monitor the program and make technical corrections as necessary consistent with Council actions on this matter.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The CLA reports that there is no impact on the General Fund. The recommendations contained in this report will utilize \$50 million from the Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF) that was previously allocated for the Right- to-Recover initiative. The transfer of funds up to \$50 million will allow the CAO to remit sufficient funds to match LADWP expenditures, as well as to potentially reallocate any unexpended CRF by the December 30, 2020 expenditure deadline, if necessary. The City received a CRF allocation of \$694,405,323, of which \$573,761,624 has been allocated to date. The remaining balance will be \$120,643,699 if the recommendations in this report are approved.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

Summary:

At its special meeting on October 21, 2020 the Ad Hoc on Covid-19 Recovery and Neighborhood Investment Committee considered the October 13, 2020 CLA report relative to the COVID-19 Utility Grant Program. The report attached to the Council file, includes some background on the matter.

After an opportunity for public comment was held, the Committee moved to approved the recommendations as reflected above. This matter is now forwarded to the City Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

AD HOC ON COVID-19 RECOVERY AND NEIGHBORHOOD INVESTMENT
COMMITTEE

MEMBER **VOTE**

MARTINEZ: YES

WESSON: YES

PRICE: YES

CEDILLO: YES

O'FARRELL: YES

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