

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, any official position of the City of Los Angeles, with respect to legislation, rules, regulations or policies proposed to or pending before a local, state, or federal governmental body or agency must have first been adopted in the form of a Resolution by the City Council with the concurrence of the Mayor; and

WHEREAS, the City adopted the Los Angeles River Ecosystem Restoration and Recreation Project (LARERR), also known as Area with Restoration Benefits and Opportunities for Revitalization (ARBOR), in 2016; and

WHEREAS, the LARERR plan will restore 11 miles of the Los Angeles River from Griffith Park to Downtown Los Angeles, providing ecosystem benefits while maintaining existing levels of flood risk management; and

WHEREAS, the City is currently working with the United States Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) to implement portions of the LARERR plan; and

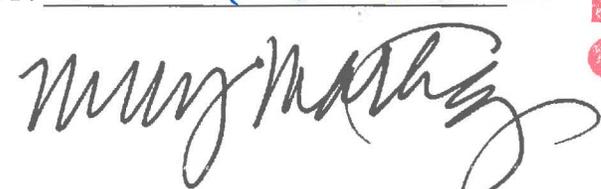
WHEREAS, the City and USACE are working to implement alternative delivery methods to reduce redundancies, allowing the project to be completed swiftly and at lower cost; and

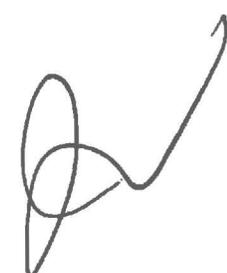
WHEREAS, the primary purpose of the LARERR project is to reestablish riparian strand, freshwater marsh, and aquatic habitat communities and reconnect the Los Angeles River to major tributaries, its historic floodplain, and the significant ecological areas of the Santa Monica Mountains, San Gabriel Mountains, Elysian Hills, and Verdugo Mountains; and

WHEREAS, the project will also provide new recreational opportunities consistent with the restored ecosystem, that will service historically-disadvantaged communities with lower access to natural open space;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, with the concurrence of the Mayor, that by the adoption of this Resolution, the City of Los Angeles hereby includes in its 2021-2022 State and Federal Legislative Programs SUPPORT for any legislation and/or administrative action that would provide funding to support the Los Angeles River Ecosystem Restoration and Recreation Project.

PRESENTED BY: 
MITCH O'FARRELL
Councilmember, 13th District

SECONDED BY: 


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