

REPORT FROM

OFFICE OF THE CITY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

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Council District: All

To: The Council
The Mayor

From: Matthew W. Szabo, City Administrative Officer



Subject: **FEDERAL AND STATE GRANT APPLICATIONS: AUTHORITY TO APPLY FOR THE REGIONAL TECHNOLOGY AND INNOVATION HUBS GRANT PROGRAM**

RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Council, subject to the approval of the Mayor:

1. Authorize the General Manager of the Economic and Workforce Development Department and/or their designee(s), to prepare the grant application for the proposal outlined below; and
2. Instruct the General Manager of the Economic and Workforce Development Department and/or their designee(s), if awarded a grant, to request authority to accept the grant award and to identify and confirm any required match and General Fund fiscal impact.

SUMMARY

On October 12, 2021, Council adopted a Motion (Krekorian - Blumenfield - O'Farrell - Martinez - Harris-Dawson - Price - Cedillo) instructing the Office of the City Administrative Officer (CAO) to establish a process to review and prioritize applications for federal and state grant infrastructure funding opportunities. On March 9, 2022, the Council approved the CAO and Office of the Chief Legislative Analyst (CLA) proposed internal review process. The process integrates the City's current grant application process for projects in response to the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (federal) and California Comeback Plan (state) related grant opportunities with the Capital and Technology Improvement Policy prioritization guidelines (C.F. 21-1015).

This report provides a summary of a federal grant opportunity for which the Economic and Workforce Development Department (Department) has reported an interest in applying (Attachment).

Project Name	Los Angeles Region Goods Movement Ecosystem (GME)
Project Description	The Los Angeles Region Goods Movement Ecosystem (GME) project is intended to create high quality jobs, increase wages, and revitalize communities while building a resilient and equitable port of the future that reduces emissions and increases efficiencies in supply chains, keeping Los Angeles and the nation economically competitive.
Total Grant Request	\$400,000
Planned Completion Date	December 2024

The recommendations in this report authorize the Department to prepare the grant application as described in this report and attachment, and, if the grant is awarded, instruct the Department to request authority to accept the grant award.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

Approval of the recommendations in this report will not result in a General Fund impact. If the Department is awarded the grant, there is a grant match requirement that could result in a potential General Fund impact of \$100,000; this impact should be reevaluated when the Department requests authority to accept the grant award.

FINANCIAL POLICIES STATEMENT

The recommendations stated in this report comply with the City's Financial Policies in that the City is actively pursuing grant funding from federal, state, and local sources.

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Attachment

ATTACHMENT - GRANT PROGRAMS WITH MATCH REQUIREMENT

Grant Administrator: Economic Development Administration
Name of Grant: Regional Technology and Innovation Hubs (Tech Hubs Program)
NOFA Release Date: May 12, 2023
Due Date: August 15, 2023
Performance Period: Not to exceed 36 months
Local Match Requirement: 20 percent

Lead Department	Project Name	Project Description	Total Project Budget	Total Grant Request	Local Match	Planned Completion Date
Economic and Workforce Development Department	Los Angeles Region Goods Movement Ecosystem (GME)	The Los Angeles Region Goods Movement Ecosystem (GME) project is intended to create high quality jobs, increase wages, and revitalize communities while building a resilient and equitable port of the future that reduces emissions and increases efficiencies in supply chains, keeping Los Angeles and the nation economically competitive.	\$500,000	\$400,000	\$100,000	December 2024