

HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the implementation of the Right to Return and Right to Remain provisions of the Housing Crisis Act; authority to amend Contract No. C-138119 with Interwest Consulting Group, Inc. for additional relocation and Right to Return services; and related matters.

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

1. AUTHORIZE the General Manager, Los Angeles Housing Department (LAHD), or designee, to execute a contract amendment with Interwest Consulting Group, Inc. (Contract No. C-138119). The Amendment, contained in the LAHD report dated December 5, 2022, attached to Council file No. 22-1516, will increase the contract amount by \$200,000 from the Foreclosure Registry Trust Fund, Fund No. 56V/43, Account No. 43WC71- SB330/Relocation and Right to Return Services for a new total contract amount of up to \$4,700,000, to provide additional relocation and Right to Return services, in substantial conformance with the attached draft pro forma Agreement contained in the LAHD report dated December 5, 2022, subject to contractor's performance, funding availability, and approval of the City Attorney as to form.
2. REQUEST the City Attorney, with the assistance of the LAHD, to:
  - a. Draft an ordinance within 60 days for Council approval requiring developers to pay for the cost of Right to Return services as part of the development application based on a new fee or cost study conducted by LAHD.
  - b. Amend Los Angeles Municipal Code Section 19.14 to include an updated land use fee amount based on a revised fee study conducted by LAHD and to expand its applicability to cover all affordability covenants required by City ordinances, regulations and planning determinations.
3. AUTHORIZE the Controller to:
  - a. Establish appropriation Account No. 43WC71-SB330/Relocation and Right to Return Services, within the Foreclosure Registry Trust Fund (Penalty sub fund), Fund No. 56V/43.
  - b. Appropriate from cash balance in the amount of \$200,000 within the Foreclosure Registry Trust Fund, Fund No. 56V/43, Appropriation Account No. 43WC71- SB330/Relocation and Right to Return Services, to fund Interwest Consulting Group, Inc., a contract amendment to be executed for additional relocation and right to return services.
  - c. Expend funds not to exceed \$200,000 upon proper demand of the General Manager, LAHD, or designee.
4. AUTHORIZE the General Manager, LAHD, or designee, to prepare Controller instructions and any necessary technical adjustments consistent with Mayor and City Council actions, subject to the approval of the City Administrative Officer (CAO); and, REQUEST the Controller to implement the instructions.
5. INSTRUCT the LAHD to report to Council and Mayor on the results of the Right to Return and land use fee studies and proposed fee recommendations.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The LAHD reports that the LAHD is requesting authority to fund a temporary, one-time contract expansion for Interwest Consulting Group, Inc. using \$200,000 of Foreclosure Registry penalty fees. In the longer term, the LAHD proposes to fund the Right to Return services and additional

required staffing through increased development fees. As such, there will be no impact to the General Fund.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

SUMMARY

At the meeting held on January 18, 2023, your Housing and Homelessness Committee considered a LAHD report relative to the implementation of the Right to Return and Right to Remain provisions of the Housing Crisis Act; authority to amend Contract No. C-138119 with Interwest Consulting Group, Inc. for additional relocation and Right to Return services; and related matters.

After an opportunity for public comment was held, the Committee recommended to move forward the recommendations contained in the LAHD report, as detailed above, as amended. This matter is now submitted to the Council for consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,



HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS COMMITTEE

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
RAMAN:	YES
BLUMENFIELD:	YES
HARRIS-DAWSON:	YES
RODRIGUEZ:	YES
LEE:	ABSENT

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