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Title

LEAVES OF LEARNING / TREE PLANTING PROJECT

Subject

Transmittal from the Environmental Affairs Department relative to the Resolution that authorizes the General Manager, Environmental Affairs Department to apply, on behalf of the City, for \$250,000 in State Environmental Enhancement Mitigation Program (EEMP) funds for the Leaves of Learning tree-planting project.

Last Change Date

01/27/2005

Initiated by

Environmental Affairs Department

Archive History

- 11-15-02 - For ref
- 11-18-02 - Ref to Environmental Quality and Waste Management Committee
- 11-20-02 - File to Environmental Quality and Waste Management Committee Clerk
- 11-22-02 - This day's Council session - Communication recommendations from Environmental Quality and Waste Management Committee, subject to the approval of the Mayor to:
 1. FIND that the "Leaves of Learning" project is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) of 1970, pursuant to Article VII, Class 1(3) and Class 4(3) of the City's Environmental Guidelines, as the project will make only minor alterations to sidewalks for tree planting.
 2. ADOPT the accompanying RESOLUTION that authorizes the General Manager, Environmental Affairs Department, to apply, on behalf of the City, for \$250,000 in State Environmental Enhancement and Mitigation Program funds for the "Leaves of Learning" tree-planting project.
 3. FIND, in accordance with Charter Section 1022, that the work to be performed during implementation of this project can be performed more feasibly by independent contractors, rather than by City employees, in view that the work is of limited scope and short-term duration.
 4. AUTHORIZE the Controller to appropriate \$60,000 from the Environmental Affairs Department Trust Fund (No. 537) receipts to Account No. 0038 for use as front-funding for the Tree-lined Routes to the River grant project.
 5. AUTHORIZE the transfer of funds in accounts within the Environmental Affairs Department, as detailed in Attachment 1 to this Communication, to allow implementation of the Environmental Affairs Department's grant-funded tree-planting projects.
 6. EXEMPT from the Fiscal Year 2002-2003, hiring freeze one position of Environmental Specialist I (Employment Authority), Code 7310-1, as the position is critical to the timely delivery of the grant-funded projects and as the position is special funded.
 7. REQUEST the Board of Public Works to instruct the Bureau of Engineering to waive concrete cut permitting fees for tree-well sidewalk cuts requiring "A" Permits, as necessary to implement tree-planting projects of the Environmental Affairs Department - (Personnel and Budget and Finance Committees waived consideration of the above matter).
- 11-22-02 - File to Calendar Clerk for placement on next available Council agenda
- 11-27-02 - Council Action - Motion ADOPTED to APPROVE communication recommendations from Environmental Quality and Waste Management Committee- Resolution ADOPTED - Categorical Exemption APPROVED.
- 12-4-02 - File to Mayor FORTHWITH
- 12-9-02 - Mayor's message concurred in Council Action of November 27, 2002
- 12-10-02 - File to Calendar Clerk
- 12-11-02 - File to Environmental Quality and Waste Management Committee Clerk OK
- 12-17-02 - File in files
- 5-16-03 - For ref - Transmittal from Environmental Affairs relative to transfer grant funds in the

amount of \$40,000 from Fund 537, Account 0038 (Tree-Lined Routes) and \$108,000 from Fund 537 Account 0037 (LA Green Corridors), to As-Needed Salaries, Account 1070 for Fiscal Year 2003-2004; and exempt one position of Environmental Specialist (Resolution Authority), Class Code 7310-1.

5-16-03 - Ref to Environmental Quality and Waste Management Committee

5-16-03 - File to Environmental Quality and Waste Management Committee Clerk

6-13-03 - This day's Council session - Communication recommendations from Environmental Quality and Waste Management Committee, subject to the approval of the Mayor to:

1. AUTHORIZE the Controller to transfer \$40,000 from Fund 537, Account 0038 (Tree-Lined Routes) and \$108,000 from Fund 537, Account 0037 (LA Green Corridors), to As-Needed Salaries, Account 1070 for Fiscal Year 2003-2004.
2. EXEMPT from the Fiscal Years 2002-2003, and 2003-2004, hiring freeze one position of Environmental Specialist I, Code 7310-1, in the Environmental Affairs Department, as the position is critical to timely delivery of the grant-funded projects and is special funded.

6-13-03 - File to Calendar Clerk for placement on next available Council agenda

6-20-03 - Council Action - Motion ADOPTED to APPROVE communication recommendations from Environmental Quality and Waste Management Committee.

6-24-03 - File to Mayor

6-30-03 - Mayor's message concurred in Council Action of June 20, 2003

7-1-03 - File to Calendar Clerk

7-18-03 - File to Environmental Quality and Waste Management Committee Clerk OK

7-22-03 - File in files

11-14-03 - For ref - Transmittal from Environmental Affairs Department relative to authority to apply for 2004-2005, Environmental Enhancement and Mitigation Program Funds in the amount of \$250,000 for the Rooted in Neighborhoods tree-planting project.

11-14-03 - Ref to Environmental Quality and Waste Management Committee

11-17-03 - File to Environmental Quality and Waste Management Committee Clerk

12-5-03 - Council Action - Motion ADOPTED to APPROVE Environmental Quality and Waste Management Committee communication recommendations, subject to the approval of the Mayor to:

1. FIND that the Rooted in Neighborhoods project is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act of 1970 pursuant to Article VII, Class 1(3) and Class 4(3) of the City's Environmental Guidelines as the project will make only minor alterations to sidewalks for tree-planting.
2. ADOPT the accompanying RESOLUTION, authorizing the General Manager, Environmental Affairs Department (EAD) to apply on behalf of the City, for \$250,000 in State Environmental Enhancement and Mitigation Program (EEMP) funds for the Rooted in neighborhoods tree-planting project.
3. FIND in accordance with Charter Section 1022, that the work to be performed during implementation of this project can be performed more feasibly by independent contractors rather than City employees in view that the work is of a limited scope and short-term duration.
4. AUTHORIZE the Controller to appropriate \$60,000 from the Environmental Affairs Department Trust Fund, No. 537, to Account No. 0039 for use as front-funding for the Green Ways School grant project and appropriate \$20,000 from the Environmental Affairs Department Trust Fund, No. 537 to Account No. 0038 for use as front-funding for the Tree-Lined Routes to the River grant project.
5. AUTHORIZE the Controller to transfer funds in accounts within the Environmental Affairs Department as follows:
 \$20,000 from Fund No. 537, Account No. 0039 to Fund No. 100/37, Account 1070, As-Needed Salaries for Fiscal Year 2003-2004 - Resolution ADOPTED - Findings ADOPTED - Categorical Exemption APPROVED.

12-9-03 - File to the Mayor FORTHWITH

12-12-03 - Mayor's message concurred in Council Action of December 5, 2003

12-15-03 - File to Calendar Clerk

1-6-04 - File in files

6-11-04 - For ref - Communication from the Environmental Affairs Department relative to the authority to accept 2004-2005 Environmental Enhancement and Mitigation Program (EEMP) Grant Funds and authority to transfer grant funds in Fiscal Year (FY) 2004-2005.

6-15-04 - Ref to Environmental Quality and Waste Management and Personnel Committees

6-15-04 - File to Environmental Quality and Waste Management Committee Clerk

7-14-04 - Council Action - Personnel Committee report ADOPTED, subject to the approval of the Mayor to:

1. AUTHORIZE the General Manager, Environmental Affairs Department (EAD), or designee, to:
 - a. Accept on behalf of the City \$250,000 in State Environmental Enhancement and Mitigation Program funds for the Rooted in Neighborhoods tree-planting project, subject to final approval by the California Transportation Commission.
 - b. Execute, on behalf of the City, all necessary grant contracts, agreements, and amendments with the funding agencies to fully implement the above project, subject to approval of the City Attorney as to form and legality.
 - c. Execute amendments to existing contracts and other agreements as necessary to fully implement

the project, subject to compliance with Executive Directive No. 16, and the approval of the City Attorney as to form and legality.

d. Expend funds from the new account to be established by the Controller to fully implement the grant project.

2. DETERMINE, in accordance with City Charter Section 1022, that the work to be performed for the Rooted in Neighborhoods Project, can be performed more feasibly by independent contractors than by City employees, as it is of a limited scope and duration.

3. AUTHORIZE the Controller to establish a new account entitled Rooted in Neighborhoods Account No. 0040 within the Environmental Affairs Trust Fund No. 537.

4. AUTHORIZE the Controller to implement the necessary transactions to TRANSFER and APPROPRIATE funds as follows:

a. \$40,000 from the Available Balance in the Environmental Affairs Trust Fund No. 537 to the Rooted in Neighborhoods Account No. 0040 to use as front-funding for the Rooted in Neighborhoods grant project.

b. \$60,000 from the Available Balance in the Environmental Affairs Trust Fund No. 537 to the Los Angeles Green Corridors Account No. 0037 to use as front-funding for the Los Angeles Green Corridors grant project.

c. \$83,095 from the Environmental Affairs Trust Fund No. 537, Los Angeles Green Corridors Account No. 0037 to the EAD Fund 100/37, As-Needed Salaries Account No. 1070 to pay City staff working on the Los Angeles Green Corridors grant project.

d. \$10,000 from the Environmental Affairs Trust Fund No. 537, Greenways to Schools Account No. 0039 to the EAD Fund 100/37, As-Needed Salaries Account No. 1070 to pay City staff working on the Greenways to Schools grant project. (Environmental Quality and Waste Management Committee report RECEIVED and FILED).

7-16-04 - File to the Mayor

7-20-04 - Mayor's message concurred in Council Action of July 14, 2004

7-20-04 - File to Calendar Clerk

7-23-04 - File to Personnel Committee Clerk OK

7-27-04 - File in files

10-27-04 - For ref - Communication from the Environmental Affairs Department relative to authority to apply for 2005-2006 Environmental Enhancement and Mitigation Program funds.

10-27-04 - Ref to Environmental Quality and Waste Management and Personnel Committees

10-27-04 - File to Environmental Quality and Waste Management Committee Clerk

11-22-04 - File to Personnel Committee Clerk per Environmental Quality and Waste Management Committee Clerk

1-12-05 - Council Action - Environmental Quality and Waste Management and Personnel Committees' report ADOPTED, subject to the approval of the Mayor to:

1. FIND that the Growing Livable Neighborhoods tree planting project is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act of 1970 pursuant to Article VII, Class 1(3) and Class 4(3) of the City of Los Angeles Environmental Guidelines as the project will only make minor alterations to the sidewalks for tree planting.

2. ADOPT the accompanying RESOLUTION that authorizes the General Manager, Environmental Affairs Department (EAD), or designee, to apply, on behalf of the City of Los Angeles, for \$250,000 in EEMP funds for the Growing Livable Neighborhoods tree planting project.

3. FIND, in accordance with the City of Los Angeles Charter Section 1022, that the work to be performed during the Growing Livable Neighborhoods tree planting project implementation can be performed more feasibly by independent contractors rather than by City of Los Angeles employees, in view that the work is of a limited scope and short-term in duration.

4. TRANSFER \$14,269.03 from Fund No. 537, Account No. 0039 (GreenWays to Schools), to As-Needed Salaries, Account No. 1070; and \$2,150.47 from Fund No. 537, Account No. 0037 (LA Green Corridors) to As Needed Salaries, Account No. 1070 for Fiscal Year 2004-05.

5. INSTRUCT the Bureau of Contract Administration to provide no-fee inspections for trees planted through the EAD's tree planting grant funded project, LA Green Corridors project.

6. AUTHORIZE the General Manager, EAD, or designee, to release a Request for Qualifications for the Rooted in Neighborhoods project and to execute agreements to implement the project, subject to City Attorney review as to form.

7. EXEMPT from the hiring freeze through June 30, 2005 the following as-needed positions, which will be fully funded by grant monies:

No. Title Code

1 Student Professional Worker 1502

1 Project Coordinator 1537

8. AUTHORIZE the backfilling of current grant position vacancies in the EAD if vacancies result from filling the above positions - Resolution ADOPTED - Categorical Exemption APPROVED.

1-14-05 - File to the Mayor

1-21-05 - Mayor's message concurred in Council Action of January 12, 2005

1-21-05 - File to Calendar Clerk

1-26-05 - File to Environmental Quality and Waste Management and Personnel Committee Clerks OK
1-27-05 - File in files