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Subject: REQUEST FOR AUTHORITY TO SUBMIT APPLICATION TO THE
DEPARTMENT OF RESOURCES RECYCLING AND RECOVERY
(CALRECYCLE) TO SEEK GRANT FUNDING FROM THE CALRECYCLE FY
2014/15 ORGANICS GRANT PROGRAM

As recommended in the accompanying report of the Director of the Bureau of Sanitation, which this Board has adopted, the Board of Public Works requests that the City Council, subject to concurrence of the Mayor, authorize the Director of the Bureau of Sanitation, or his designee, to submit an application to the Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle) to seek up to two grant funding opportunities totaling up to \$6,000,000 for the Organics Grant Program, and to conduct negotiations, accept, execute and submit all documents, including but not limited to, applications, grant agreements, amendments, and payment requests, which be necessary for the completion of the project(s).

It is also requested, that the City Council adopt the Resolution (Transmittal No. 1) authorizing the submittal of grant application.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact to the General Fund as a result of this action. The CalRecycle Organics Grant will be awarded in September 2014. Grant funds will be available on a reimbursement basis.

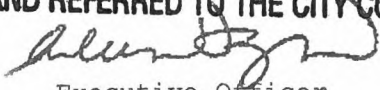
Respectfully submitted,


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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

BUREAU OF SANITATION
BOARD REPORT NO. 2
JUNE 18, 2014

ADOPTED BY THE BOARD
PUBLIC WORKS OF THE CITY
of Los Angeles California
AND REFERRED TO THE MAYOR
JUN 18 2014
AND REFERRED TO THE CITY COUNCIL

Executive Officer

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REQUEST FOR AUTHORITY TO SUBMIT APPLICATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF
RESOURCES RECYCLING AND RECOVERY (CALRECYCLE) TO SEEK GRANT FUNDING
FROM THE CALRECYCLE FY 2014/15 ORGANICS GRANT PROGRAM

RECOMMENDATION

1. Approve this report with the recommendation that the City Council and Mayor authorize the Director of Bureau of Sanitation or his designee to submit an application to CalRecycle to seek up to two grant funding opportunities totaling up to \$6,000,000 for the Organics Grant Program.
2. If awarded the grants, authorize the Director of the Bureau of Sanitation, or his designee, to conduct negotiations, accept, execute and submit all documents, including but not limited to applications, grant agreements, amendments, and payment requests, which may be necessary for the completion of the project(s).
3. Request the City Council to adopt the Resolution (Transmittal No. 1) authorizing the submittal of grant application.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

There is no fiscal impact to the General Fund as a result of this action. The CalRecycle Organics Grant will be awarded in September 2014. Grant funds will be available on a reimbursement basis.

TRANSMITTALS

1. Copy of proposed Resolution

DISCUSSION

Background

The City of Los Angeles is home to over 4 million people spread out over 468 square miles. Approximately 10.4 million tons of solid waste is generated per year from both residential and commercial sectors which include organic solid waste. The City's Bureau of Sanitation (LASAN) has been responsible for the safe and efficient management of solid waste generated within the City. So there is continued progress towards becoming a zero waste city and to achieve the City's waste diversion goal of 90% by 2025, LASAN has been exploring and implementing options to divert food scraps and green trimmings, recycling, increase resource recovery rates, and solid waste diversion from urban landfilling.

Another objective of the organics grant program is to lower overall greenhouse gas emissions by expanding existing capacity or establishing new facilities or food waste reduction projects in California to reduce the amount of California-generated greenwaste, food materials, and/or organic sources of ADC being sent to landfill. The California Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle) is offering a competitive grant opportunity in FY 2014/15. Applicants can submit up to two applications for the Organics Grant Program and the award will be up to 3 million dollars for each project.

FY 2014/15 Organics Grant Program Requirements

Grant qualifications require the project to be located in California and result in permanent, annual, and measurable:

1. Reductions in Greenhouse Gas (GHG) emissions from the handling or landfilling of California-generated green and food materials; **and**
2. Increases in quantity (tons) of California-generated green materials, food materials, or ADC diverted from landfills **and** composted, digested or diverted to other fermentation processes.

Eligible projects include construction, renovation or expansion of facilities in California that compost, anaerobically digest, or use other related digestion or fermentation processes to turn green or food materials into value-added products; this includes purchase of equipment, machinery and real estate improvements associated with the installation thereof. A food waste prevention component may be included within a project as described above so edible food normally destined for landfills results in increased food distribution to people for consumption, prior to any food waste residuals from the project being sent to composting or anaerobic digestion or other digestion or fermentation process when they are available within their service areas.

As part of the grant application process, it is required by CalRecycle that any applicant that is subject to a governing body provide a Resolution that authorizes specific grant-related matters..

The following is CalRecycle Timeline for Organics Grant Program:

ORGANICS GRANT PROGRAM SCHEDULE

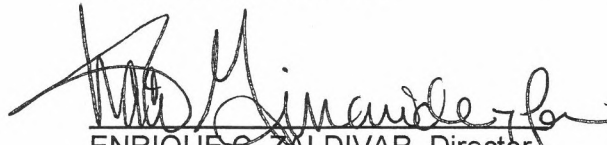
Date	Activity
May 27, 2014	Question and Answer Period ☐ Questions may be submitted from application release date to this date ☐ Questions must be submitted by email
June 3, 2014	☐ All answers will be posted (tentative date)
July 1, 2014	Application Due Date ☐ Applications must be submitted in GMS by 11:59 p.m. on this date ☐ Customer service will be available until 4:00 p.m. on this date
July 31, 2014	Secondary Due Date If Resolution not submitted with the application: ☐ Approved Resolution must be uploaded in GMS by this date If applicant does not have an Environmentally Preferable Purchasing and Practices (EPPP) Policy at time of application: ☐ EPPP Policy must be adopted and Notification must be uploaded in GMS by this date
September 2014	Grants Awarded CalRecycle considers funding recommendations, and if approved, conditionally awards grants during this month (tentative date)
April 1, 2019	Grant Term Completion

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Council's approval of the Resolution will authorize the Director of Bureau of Sanitation or his designee to submit an application to CalRecycle to seek Organic Grant Program funding up to \$6,000,000 for the LASAN Food Waste CoDigestion Project and Lopez Landfill Compost Facility Retrofit.

Respectfully Submitted



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RESOLUTION

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

WHEREAS, the people of the State of California have proposed Public Resources Code (section 42999), pending approval of the Governor's proposed budget and Trailer Bills, to authorize the Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle) to initiate and administer a grant program to lower overall greenhouse gas emissions by expanding existing capacity or establishing new facilities in California to reduce the amount of California-generated green materials, food materials, or alternative daily cover use (ADC) being sent to landfills; and

WHEREAS, in furtherance of this authority CalRecycle is required to establish procedures governing the application, awarding, and management of the grants; and

WHEREAS, said procedures established by CalRecycle require the applicant to certify by resolution the approval of the application before submission of said application; and

WHEREAS, the applicant will enter into an agreement with CalRecycle for CalRecycle Organics Grant Program (FY 2014/15); and

WHEREAS, inadequate green material and food material programs exist within the City of Los Angeles, and landfill reliance and expansion require increase in utility funds for the citizens of the City of Los Angeles, and resulting in extensive post closure monitoring activities; and

WHEREAS, green and food materials waste can be utilized for sustainable application; and

WHEREAS, the City of Los Angeles intends to reduce the green materials and food materials being sent to landfills for disposal by responding proactively to the situation and to utilize existing technology and resources to separate green materials and/or food materials and convert it to a source of renewable energy; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council does hereby authorize the Director of the Bureau, or assigned designee, to seek grant funding up to \$6,000,000 for the LASAN Food Scrap Codigestion Project and Lopez Canyon Environmental Center Compost Facility Retrofit, and if awarded the grants, to report to the City Council to obtain approval for the receipt of these funds and authorization to conduct all negotiations, execute and submit all documents including, but not limited to applications, grant agreements, amendments, and payment requests, which may be necessary for the completion of the aforementioned project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that these authorizations are effective for five (5) years from the date of adoption of this resolution.