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MOTION

In August 2013, the City Council adopted a Resolution (O'Farrell – Cedillo – Huizar – LaBonge; CF# 10-0270-S3) that supported a *Los Angeles River Ecosystem Restoration Feasibility Study* alternative that results in the most expansive ecosystem restoration of the Los Angeles River. The project option, known as Alternative 20, would be the most far-reaching modification of the Los Angeles River since its channelization in the 1930s.

The proposed project would provide public access to restored natural open space along 11 miles of the Los Angeles River – from Griffith Park to downtown Los Angeles. Alternative 20 would be constructed by the United States Army Corps of Engineers (Army Corps) and owned and operated by the City.

The implementation of Alternative 20 is contingent upon Federal and City appropriations; and is currently estimated by the Army Corps of Engineers at approximately \$1.35 billion. The cost of the project is intended to be shared between the Army Corps and the City.

The Bureau of Engineering has been working with the Army Corps on a cost-share component including the Federal process for review/consideration and potential funding for Alternative 20.

This is a significant project with high interest from the community. Given this, it would be appropriate to have the Bureau of Engineering report to the Council as to the current status of the Alternative 20 proposal, the proposed cost-share component with the Army Corps, and the Federal process for review/consideration for potential funding of the project.

The City Administrative Officer should also report as to potential funding options to address the City's projected cost-share component.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Bureau of Engineering be instructed to report to the Council within 15 days as to the current status of the Alternative 20 project proposal associated with the *Los Angeles River Ecosystem Restoration Feasibility Study*, the proposed cost-share component with the Army Corps, and the Federal process for review/consideration for potential funding of the project.

I FURTHER MOVE that representatives of the United States Army Corps of Engineers be requested to report as to the current status of the Alternative 20 project proposal and related matters.

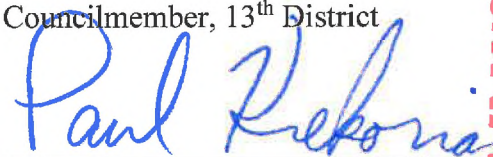
I FURTHER MOVE that the City Administrative Officer be instructed to report to the Council as to potential funding options to address the City's projected cost-share component.

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