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The Los Angeles Conservation Corps (LACC) is the nation's largest urban conservation corps and leading youth development organization in Los Angeles. The LACC provides at-risk youth and school-aged youth job skills training, education, and work experience with an emphasis on conservation and service projects that benefit the community. Examples of some of these projects include building parks, planting trees, refurbishing hiking trails, and building community gardens. The LACC prepares its youth participants for post-secondary education and living wage jobs and hopes to inspire them to be of service to their own communities.

The LACC has offices and provides services throughout Los Angeles, but they do not have a permanent satellite office in the San Fernando Valley. Staff members currently commute from their existing South Los Angeles and Northeast Los Angeles offices on a regular basis to provide their valuable services to Valley communities.

The field office for Council District (CD) 7 is located in Sunland-Tujunga at 7747 Foothill Boulevard. CD 7 occupies approximately one-third of the 1,800 square foot facility. The remainder of the facility is comprised of a multi-purpose room and space which has been vacant for the past two years. The underutilized space is ideal for LACC and could provide the organization with a much needed Valley location. The City should work with LACC to reach a mutually beneficial arrangement for the use of vacant space at the Sunland-Tujunga Municipal Building.

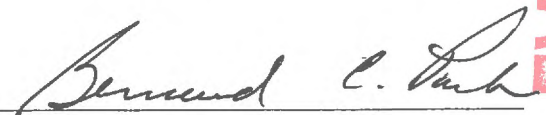
I THEREFORE MOVE that the City Council direct the Department of General Services (GSD), with the assistance of the City Administrative Officer and in consultation with the City Attorney, to negotiate and execute a lease with the Los Angeles Conservation Corps for use of vacant space at the City-owned facility located at 7747 Foothill Boulevard, Tujunga, CA 91042, in consideration of the valuable services that will be provided to the residents of the San Fernando Valley.

PRESENTED BY:



FELIPE FUENTES
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SECONDED BY:



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