

## MOTION

The Transportation Foundation of Los Angeles (TFLA), through its Lasting Internship for Tomorrow's Los Angeles (LIFT LA) program, recruits and provides practical work experience opportunities for college, university and graduate students. In partnership with the City, the TFLA has provided various City departments with motivated student interns looking for valuable work experience in a professional/technical environment. Through a rigorous selection process, the selected interns have performed admirably.

The Bureau of Engineering (BOE) is the program administrator for LIFT LA internship program and is responsible for coordinating the placement of the interns into various City departments, as well as, monitoring the existing contract. BOE, with the assistance of the TFLA, continues to reach out to city departments in order to maximize the number of internship opportunities where Special Funds can be used to fully offset the cost of the program. The current citywide contract (C-110629) will expire on June 30, 2015 (C.F. 11-1206-S1). Program funding is currently limited to \$6.0 million annually.

There is a critical need for the City to continue and expand TFLA internship opportunities in various city department to qualified college and graduate students, and veterans with college degrees. Extending the term of the current citywide contract and increasing the contract amount, will ensure the continuation of this successful citywide internship program.

**I THEREFORE MOVE** that the Council take the following actions:

1. **Authorize** the City Engineer, or designee, to negotiate and execute an amendment to the existing Transportation Foundation of Los Angeles (TFLA) contract (C-110629) for the continuation of TFLA programs, including the Lasting Internship for Tomorrow's Los Angeles (LIFTLA) program, by extending the term of the agreement for three years through June 30, 2018 and increasing the contract ceiling by \$2.0 million per year, for a total increase of \$6.0 million resulting to an amended ceiling amount of \$12.0 million.
2. **Authorize** the City Engineer, or designee, to make any necessary technical adjustments to the Amendment to the TFLA contract, except for the amended term (June 30, 2018) and amended contract ceiling amount (\$12.0 million), to implement the intent of the City Council action.
3. **Direct** the City Engineer, or designee, to work closely with the TFLA and other City Departments and Bureaus, through the term of the contract, to continue the placement of eligible veterans, students and interns through TFLA programs throughout the City.

PRESENTED BY: \_\_\_\_\_

HERB J. WESSON, JR.

Councilmember, 10<sup>th</sup> District

SECONDED BY: \_\_\_\_\_

ORIGINAL