

PERSONNEL & ANIMAL WELFARE

MOTION

In response to the *Willits v. City of Los Angeles* Settlement Agreement (Settlement Agreement), the City of Los Angeles made a historic commitment to invest \$1.4 billion over 30 years to fix our City's sidewalks. On February 3, 2015, the City Council adopted the actions under Council File 14-0163-S4, creating the City's Sidewalk Repair Program (Program). Subsequently, the Settlement was finalized and Notice of Entry of Final Judgment was made on May 15, 2017 with the compliance period commencing on July 1, 2017.

Pursuant to Section 15 of the Settlement, the City is required to hire an ADA Coordinator within 12 months after the commencement of the compliance period, consistent with applicable City contracting requirements. Per the Settlement requirement, the ADA Coordinator shall have substantial experience in evaluating or assisting public entities in evaluating the accessibility of facilities under Title II of the ADA; shall be knowledgeable in current federal and state accessibility standards; shall have a minimum of three (3) years' experience in providing ADA services; and must be licensed either as an architect or as a registered civil engineer with a valid Certified Access Specialist certification (CASp) issued by the State of California.


The Program conducted City-wide outreach to determine whether current City employees possess the required experience, license/registration and CASp certification and unfortunately, it was unable to locate any at this time. In the interim, the Program is currently using the services of an ADA Coordinator secured through a personal services contract, as it seeks to hire a permanent ADA Coordinator that meets the qualifications as stipulated in the Settlement Agreement by the July 1, 2018 deadline.

If approved, the new position will be funded by existing Program funds in Fund No. 57F.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the City Council, subject to the approval of the Mayor:

1. INSTRUCT the Personnel Department to coordinate and assist the Bureau of Engineering with recruitment of qualified candidates that meet the qualifications of the *Willits* Settlement Agreement, work with the City Administrative Officer to identify an appropriate classification for the potential candidates and report back to the Council and Mayor; and
2. AUTHORIZE the City Engineer, with concurrence of the City Administrative Officer to transfer funds within Fund No. 57F to conduct recruitment, hiring and funding for the ADA Coordinator position.

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