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TO	DATE	COUNCIL FILE NO.
City Council	8/28/26	
FROM		**COUNCIL DISTRICT**
Measure W - Safe, Clean Water Program, Administrative Oversight Committee		ALL

At its special meeting held on August 27, 2026, the Measure W – Safe, Clean Water Program Administrative Oversight Committee approved the recommendations of the attached Bureau of Sanitation report, which is hereby transmitted to Council for consideration. Adoption of the report recommendations will allow the Bureau to update previously issued Letters of Non-Objection into Initial Letters of Support for the following design funding applications to the Round 8 (Fiscal Year 2027-28) Regional Call for Projects: (1) Pacoima Wash Greenway - Community Green Infrastructure (CD 7) – Pacoima Beautiful; and (2) Fern Dell Restoration and Stormwater Capture Project (CD 4) – Friends of Griffith Park. The report also revises and reissues one Letter of Non-Objection for Pacoima Beautiful due to the project title changing.

Fiscal Impact Statement: There is no fiscal impact to the General Fund from approval of the recommendations in this report as the action is administrative only.

for
Matthew W. Szabo
City Administrative Officer

Attachment – August 19, 2026 Report from the Bureau of Sanitation regarding administrative modifications to the Round 8 (Fiscal Year 2027-28) Measure W Safe, Clean Water Community Proposed Project Letters from the City of Los Angeles.

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CITY OF LOS ANGELES
INTERDEPARTMENTAL CORRESPONDENCE

Date: August 19, 2026

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Subject: Administrative Modifications to Round 8 (FY 27/28) Safe, Clean Water Community Proposed Project Letters from the City of Los Angeles

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Authorize LASAN, with concurrence of the CAO, CLA, and Mayor's Office, to revise and reissue two (2) Letters of Non-Objection into Initial Letters of Support for the following Design funding applications to the Round 8 (FY 27/28) Regional Call for Projects of the Safe, Clean Water Program (SCWP):

    - Pacoima Wash Greenway - Community Green Infrastructure (CD 7) – Pacoima Beautiful (Design application)

    - Fern Dell Restoration and Stormwater Capture Project (CD 4) – Friends of Griffith Park (Design application)

2. Authorize LASAN, with concurrence of the CAO, CLA, and Mayor's Office. to revise and reissue one (1) Letter of Non-Objection for Pacoima Beautiful due to the project title changing from the "Canoga Park Project" to "John Quimby Park & De Soto Avenue Stormwater Capture Project".

3. Authorize LASAN, with concurrence of the CAO, CLA, and Mayor's Office, to correct any clerical or technical errors in the above Letters of Initial Support and Letter of Non-Objection in order to implement the above recommendations.

BACKGROUND

The Round 8, Fiscal Year (FY) 2027–2028 Regional Call for Projects under the Safe, Clean Water Program was announced on August 1, 2025. Applicants seeking funding to design, construct, or operate and maintain multi-benefit infrastructure projects, conduct Special Studies, or develop a Feasibility Study for a future project are required to submit

applications through the Regional Program Projects Module Web Application. The deadline to submit applications for Round 8 funding was July 31, 2026.

At the May 28, 2026 Safe Clean Water Program (SCWP) Administrative Oversight Committee (AOC) meeting, it was determined that the Pacoima Wash Greenway - Community Green Infrastructure Project and Fern Dell Restoration and Stormwater Capture Project were approved to receive Letters of Non-Objection to submit to the SCWP Design - Infrastructure Program (IP) for funding. However, the Los Angeles County Flood Control District (LACFCD), who administers the SCWP, has since clarified that the Pacoima Wash Greenway - Community Green Infrastructure Project and Fern Dell Restoration and Stormwater Capture Project required Letters of Initial Support for their SCWP Design - IP applications to be considered complete and to be scored by the SCWP Scoring Committee prior to WASC deliberations.

The required revisions entail changing the letter subject line to replace the term "Letter of Non-Objection" with "Initial Letter of Support." The LACFCD's administrative guidance documents regarding letters for Community-Proposed applications have recently been modified multiple times as the Regional SCWP adapts to the new frequency and types of applications that it has been receiving in recent rounds. These adjustments are expected to continue in the coming round(s).

At the May 28, 2026 SCWP AOC meeting, Pacoima Beautiful's Canoga Park Project was approved for a Letter of Non-Objection to be submitted to the SCWP Technical Resources Program (TRP). Since this meeting, the project proponent has requested a project title change from the "Canoga Park Project" to the "John Quimby Park & De Soto Avenue Stormwater Capture Project".

CONSIDERATIONS AND CONCLUSIONS

After further administrative guidance from LACFCD SCWP representatives, coordination with the project proponents, last year's technical review of the project proposals, and a detailed consideration of SCWP guidelines, it is recommended that the SCWP AOC approve the revision of the following Letters of Non-Objection to be Letters of Initial Support as part of the Safe Clean Water Regional Round 8 (FY 27/28) Call for Projects:

- Pacoima Wash Greenway - Community Green Infrastructure (CD 7) – Pacoima Beautiful (Design funding application)

- Fern Dell Restoration and Stormwater Capture Project (CD 4) – Friends of Griffith Park (Design funding application)

After consideration of SCWP guidelines and communication with LACFCD and the project proponent, it is recommended that the SCWP AOC approve the following project title change and approve the reissuance of the Letter of Non-Objection to include this revision:

- “Canoga Park Project” to “John Quimby Park & De Soto Avenue Stormwater Capture Project” - Pacoima Beautiful (CD 3)

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