

## MOTION

In 2023, the City received a State Specified Grant award for the siting, design, and construction of structures marking and identifying historical neighborhoods in South Los Angeles (South LA). Subsequently, the Senator of the 28th District of California, the Honorable Lola Smallwood-Cuevas, has requested that the City incorporate the findings of community-based outreach into the design and construction of various monuments and/or gateway projects within the City of Los Angeles.

South Los Angeles boasts a rich history of individuals and places of local, regional, and national historical significance. Californians residing in South LA have made significant contributions to the music, culture, film, and social justice movements. Notable locations in South LA such as Sugar Hill, Leimert Park, West Adams, and Central Avenue possess profound historical significance in relation to the City's development, the national civil rights movement and an immense influence exerted on the world through arts and culture. The vicinity between the proposed monuments influence culture, retain rich local and national histories and connections to traditions, music, cuisine, and folklore. These monuments will further initiatives aimed at enhancing the visibility of culturally significant communities in the City of Los Angeles.

**I THEREFORE MOVE** that the City Council:

1. Instruct the Bureau of Engineering with the assistance of the Bureau of Street Services and General Services Division, to initiate the "South LA Historic Neighborhood Markers" project for monument structures and/or gateways at the respective intersections of: East Adams Boulevard and South Central Avenue; East Slauson Avenue and South Central Avenue; South Crenshaw Boulevard and West Adams Boulevard; South Crenshaw Boulevard and West Slauson Avenue.
2. Instruct the Department of City Planning with the assistance of the Department of Cultural Affairs to report with a list of cultural assets and relevant historic cultural monuments, including buildings, places of significant events, and places connected to notable persons with the goal of identifying resources that can be represented in a story map that provides an interactive historical context for South Los Angeles.
3. Authorize \$3,000,000 designated in / received from the 2023 State Budget Act for siting, design, and construction of structures marking and identifying historical neighborhoods in Los Angeles (CF 23-1238) and deposited in the City Administrative Officer's Grants and Awards Fund No. 65W, to be transferred / appropriated therefrom to the Engineering Special Services Fund No. 682-50, new account entitled "SLA Historic Cultural District Markers," for costs associated with the design and implementation of monuments and / or cultural marker program respectively in Council Districts of South Los Angeles.
4. Authorize the Bureau of Engineering and City Administrative Officer to make any technical corrections or clarifications to the above fund transfer instruction in order to effectuate the intent of this Motion.

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5. Authorize the respective General Managers and / or designees of the departments awarded the State Specified Funding to:
  - a. Negotiate and execute a grant agreement with the respective state agency and submit all required documentation; and
  - b. Where applicable, negotiate and execute a contract or contract amendment with the following community-based organizations: LA Commons.
6. Authorize the Bureau of Engineering to sole source the design, artist, and contributing services that are provided for pursuant to the terms and conditions or preferences established by the Grantor.

PRESENTED BY:



**HEATHER HUTT**  
Councilmember, 10th District

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