

REPORT FROM

OFFICE OF THE CITY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

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Council District: All

To: The Mayor
The Council

From: *Yolanda Chavez*
for Matthew W. Szabo, City Administrative Officer

Reference: AB/SB 102 Budget Act of 2023

Subject: **2023-24 STATE SPECIFIED EARMARK GRANTS AWARDED TO THE CITY**

RECOMMENDATION

That the City Council, subject to the approval of the Mayor:

1. Authorize the General Managers, Executive Directors, or their designees, for the Bureaus of Engineering (BOE), Cultural Affairs (DCA), Community Investment for Families (CIFD), Economic and Workforce Development (EWDD), and the Office of the City Administrative Officer (CAO) to prepare and submit grant applications and/or project information packages for the projects outlined in the Attachment;
2. Authorize the General Managers and/or their designees to accept the 2023-24 State Specified grant awards for City projects or community-based organizational projects and if required, submit a Governing Body Resolution to the grantor;
3. Authorize the respective General Managers and/or designees of departments that are awarded State Specified Funding as outlined in the Attachment to:
 - a) Negotiate and execute a grant agreement with the respective state agency and submit all required documentation;
 - b) Establish a separate fund and/or account as applicable, accept and disburse the grant funds in the amounts specified in the Attachment; and
 - c) Where applicable, negotiate and execute a contract or contract amendment with the following community-based organizations: Casa 0101, Chinatown Service Center and Brotherhood Crusade.
4. Authorize the City Administrative Officer, or designee, to:

- a) Upon receipt of funds in the amount of \$3 million designated in the 2023 State Budget Act for the siting, design, and construction of structures marking and identifying historic black neighborhoods in Los Angeles, deposit said funds into the CAO's Grants and Awards Fund No. 65W/10, and appropriate the funds into a new appropriation account within the Grants and Awards Fund No. 65W;
 - b) Upon presentation of documentation or proper demand, transfer the funds to the Bureau of Engineering, and with the assistance of the Department of City Planning, implement project activities and disburse the funds in accordance with the purposes identified in the Attachment;
 - c) Upon receipt of funds in the amount of \$4,750,000 (of which \$210,000 will be transferred out for a Homekey1 project per C.F. 20-0841-S36) designated in the 2023 State Budget Act for various housing and neighborhood improvement projects in the San Fernando Valley, deposit said funds into the CAO's Grants and Awards Fund No. 65W/10, and appropriate \$4,450,000 into a new appropriation account within the Grants and Awards Fund No. 65W;
 - d) Upon receipt of funds in the amount of \$600,000 designated in the 2023 State Budget Act for the RV Buyback and Disposal Program, deposit said funds into the CAO's Grants and Awards Fund No. 65W/10, and appropriate the funds into a new appropriation account within the Grants and Awards Fund No. 65W; and,
5. Authorize the aforementioned General Managers or designees, of the administering departments to prepare Controller instructions or make any necessary technical corrections or clarifications to the above recommendations and fund transfer instructions in order to effectuate the intent of these matters, including any corrections and changes to funds or account numbers, subject to the approval of the City Administrative Officer, and authorize the Controller to implement these instructions.

SUMMARY

The 2023-24 Enacted California State Budget includes grant funds that are earmarked for specific City of Los Angeles projects and pass-through community-based organizational projects awarded through the state budget process. In order to receive these earmark funds, the City is required to submit documentation including adoption of a Governing Body Resolution and either an Application or a Project Information Package to the various state agencies administering the grant funds. The resultant outcome is the execution of a grant agreement between the City and the state agency. The City also serves as the pass-through grantee and administrator for several community-based organizations awarded funds in the state budget. The departments serving in this capacity will also be required to execute contracts or contract amendments with the community-based organizations to administer these funds. The City does not receive reimbursements for the cost of administering grants on behalf of community-based organizations. The State Specified Grant awards do not include any additional funds for City management and administrative costs. Departments are expected to manage the workload accordingly. The Attachment to this Report provides a list of 2023-24 State Specified Grants awarded to the City. The acceptance of State Specified grant funds

(\$2,710,000) relative to four Homekey1 projects were addressed in the Homelessness Roadmap Report (C.F. 20-0841-S36).

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

There is no additional impact to the General Fund. For State Specified Earmark Grants awarded for City projects, departments should have sufficient funds to implement their projects. Departments acting as a pass-through grantee and administrator must absorb the workload of administering these grants and contracts within existing resources. The successful completion of these State Specified grant-funded projects is the desired goal and outcome for both the State and the City. Both the City and recipient organizations will utilize their grant funds to support top priorities and critical needs including capital improvements, operating support, or programmatic enhancements.

FINANCIAL POLICIES STATEMENT

The City's Financial Policies require that the City pursue federal, state, and private grants but strictly limit financial support of these programs to avoid commitments that continue beyond available funding. The recommendations in this report comply with the City's Financial Policies in that the proposed funding is balanced against established revenue approved by Council actions and from Federal or State grant receipts. All funding is subject to the availability of grant funds and funding determinations by Mayor and Council.

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Attachment

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2023-24 State Designated Grants			
Department	Award Amount	Project Description	State Agency
BOE	\$ 400,000	City of Los Angeles, for the development of an equestrian trail master plan in Northeast San Fernando Valley	CA Parks and Recreation
DCA	\$3,000,000	City of Los Angeles, for the Casa 0101 Property Acquisition	CA Natural Resources Agency
CIFD	\$ 500,000	City of Los Angeles, for the Chinatown Service Center Operating Expenses	CA Natural Resources Agency
BOE/DCP	\$3,000,000*	City of Los Angeles, for siting, design, and construction of structures marking and identifying historic black neighborhoods in Los Angeles	CA Housing and Community Development
CAO	\$4,750,000*	City of Los Angeles, for various housing and neighborhood improvements in the San Fernando Valley	CA Housing and Community Development
EWDD	\$ 250,000	City of Los Angeles – Workforce and Economic Development for the Brotherhood Crusade	CA Office of Planning and Research
CAO	\$ 600,000*	City of Los Angeles, for the RV Buyback and Disposal Program	CA Housing and Community Development

*Funds will be disbursed directly to the CAO.