

NEIGHBORHOODS AND COMMUNITY ENRICHMENT COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the proposed contract with Outward Bound Adventures, Inc. for the completion of an Oak Woodland Restoration and Career Pathways Project at the Los Angeles Zoo.

Recommendations for Council action, SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR:

1. AUTHORIZE the General Manager, Zoo Department, or designee, to:
  - a. Execute the proposed contract with Outward Bound Adventures, Inc. for the completion of an Oak Woodland Restoration and Career Pathways project at the Los Angeles Zoo, for a term beginning on January 30, 2024 through March 31, 2028, for a contract amount of \$175,000, subject to review by the City Attorney as to form.
  - b. Accept the grant funding from the Wildlife Conservation Board on a reimbursement basis and deposit reimbursements into the Zoo Enterprise Trust Fund.
  - c. Prepare Controller's instructions for any technical adjustments that are consistent with Mayor and Council actions, subject to the approval of the City Administrative Officer (CAO), and authorize the City Controller to implement these instructions.
2. FIND that pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines Section 15162 and 15164, the City has determined that the Oak Woodland Restoration and Career Pathways project is not a substantial change to the Project approved on August 2, 2023 through Council file No. 21-0828, and analyzed in the certified Los Angeles Zoo Vision Plan Environmental Impact Report (EIR) or in the circumstances under which the Project is undertaken that indicates any new or substantially increased significant impact, and there is no new information that shows a new or substantially increased significant impact or any new feasible mitigation measures or alternatives that were not previously considered, and that no changes or additions to the EIR, and no subsequent or supplemental EIR, are necessary.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The CAO reports that funding is available in the Department's Fund No. 100/87, Account No. 1070, Salaries, As-Needed for annual salary costs and will be fully reimbursed by the Wildlife Conservation Board. There is no additional impact on the General Fund.

Financial Policies Statement: The CAO further reports that the recommendations included in this report comply with the City's Financial Policies.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

**TIME LIMIT FILE - DECEMBER 10, 2024  
(LAST DAY FOR COUNCIL ACTION - DECEMBER 10, 2024)**

Summary:

On October 23, 2024, your Committee considered the October 9, 2024 CAO report relative to the proposed contract with Outward Bound Adventures, Inc. for the completion of an Oak Woodland Restoration and Career Pathways Project at the Los Angeles Zoo. The report attached to the Council file includes some background on the matter.

After providing an opportunity for public comment, the Committee moved to approve the recommendations detailed above. This matter is now forwarded to the Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

NEIGHBORHOODS AND COMMUNITY ENRICHMENT COMMITTEE

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
HERNANDEZ:	YES
LEE:	YES
HUTT:	ABSENT

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