

MOTION

The Mangrove property is an approximately 10-acre site adjacent to the civic center area and Little Tokyo Community in Downtown Los Angeles. Currently, the City and the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transit Authority (Metro) own portions of the Mangrove site. The recent completion of the construction of the Regional Connector Light Rail Project presents the City, Metro, and the Little Tokyo Community with the opportunity to develop the Mangrove site into a mixed use project that serves the needs of the local community and the City.

On September 23, 2022 Motion 13-0275-S3 was introduced requesting that the Economic and Workforce Development Department (EWDD) be given the authority to execute a Memorandum of Understanding between the City and Metro for the joint development of the Mangrove Site. Council took final action and approved the item on April 19, 2023. EWDD and Metro would work as joint development partners sharing costs for the predevelopment of the project at a 70/30 split with EWDD providing the larger financial contribution from their contractual services account. Since the final council action was taken, EWDD has finalized the MOU and received all required signatures for its execution.

In order to proceed with the development of the site, the drafting and execution of a Request for Proposals (RFP) for consulting services is required. The consultant will test a variety of feasible development options for the Mangrove site, and will help the City and Metro prepare an RFP for a development team.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Economic and Workforce Development Department be instructed to issue a Request for Proposals (RFP) on the Mangrove Property with the intent to contract with a consultant to develop a scope of work for a future mixed use development project. The contract for Phase I of the project will cost approximately \$300,000 and will run no longer than 12 months in duration.

I FURTHER MOVE that Council

1. Authorize the Controller to:

a. Accept funds received from the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority and deposit into the Economic Development Trust Fund No. 62L.

b. Establish new account 22Y5AN, titled "Mangrove Project - LACMTA," and appropriate up to \$300,000 within the Economic Development Trust Fund No. 62L, upon presentation of documentation by EWDD.

2. Authorize the General Manager of EWDD, or designee to prepare additional Controller instructions and any necessary technical adjustments that are consistent with Mayor and Council action to carry out the intent of this motion, subject to the approval of the City Administrative Officer.

PRESENTED BY:


KEVIN DE LEÓN
Councilmember 14th District

SECONDED BY:



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