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Honorable Members of the
City Council of the
City of Los Angeles

CD No. 15

Attention: Heleen Ramirez, City Clerk's Office

Subject: RESOLUTION NO. 24-10402: FIRST AMENDMENT TO AGREEMENT NO. 22-9850 WITH UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD COMPANY FOR A DIESEL EMISSION REDUCTION ACT GRANT TO FUND A ZERO EMISSION SWITCHER LOCOMOTIVE PROJECT

Pursuant to Section 373 of the City Charter and Section 10.5 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code; enclosed for your approval is Resolution No. 24-10402 for the proposed the First Amendment to Agreement No. 22-9850 (Agreement) with Union Pacific Railroad Company (UP). The Agreement requires UP to design and manufacture a Zero-Emissions Switcher Locomotive for a demonstration project (Project). The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Grant Agreement No. 22-9849 between the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the City of Los Angeles Harbor Department (Harbor Department) is being amended under a separate board action. The First Amendment to the Agreement with UP will incorporate the same change as the EPA Grant Agreement which is extending the term of the Agreement by two years. The extension request is necessary to account for delays in the project schedule due to disruptions to the battery supply chain. All other terms and conditions of the Agreement remain the same, including the overall project costs and participant commitments. There is no impact to the General Fund.

RECOMMENDATION FOR CITY COUNCIL:

1. ADOPT the determination by the Board of Harbor Commissioners that the proposed action is administratively exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) under Article II, Section 2(f) of the Los Angeles City CEQA Guidelines and;
2. APPROVE POLA Resolution No. 24-10402 for the proposed First Amendment to Agreement No. 24-9850-A between the City of Los Angeles Harbor Department and Union Pacific Railroad Company.

Respectfully Submitted,


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Commission Secretary

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