

HOUSING COMMITTEE REPORT relative to authorizing the execution of a new interagency agreement between the Los Angeles Housing Department (LAHD) and the Housing Authority of the City of Los Angeles (HACLA) for the provision of professional environmental services.

Recommendations for Council action:

1. AUTHORIZE the General Manager, LAHD, or designee, to execute an interagency agreement between the LAHD and HACLA to provide professional environmental review services for the HACLA, with a compensation amount of \$300,000 or up to the actual cost of the environmental reviews performed during the contract term, and a contract term of one year retroactive to July 1, 2022, with the option to renew for two additional one-year terms, pending funding availability, in substantial conformance with the draft Agreement attached to the LAHD report dated July 28, 2022, attached to the Council file, subject to the approval of the City Attorney as to form and compliance with the City's contracting requirements.
2. AUTHORIZE the LAHD to apply the environmental review fees for identical services, to all other local grantees that also require environmental review services mandated by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), prior to the execution of a grant agreement with, or to receive program funding from, the HUD.
3. INSTRUCT the LAHD to conduct a new fee analysis of the fully burdened cost to provide professional environmental services required under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), and other relevant Federal, State, and local environmental laws and regulations, by 2025 and prior to entering into any future agreements for such services.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The City Administrative Officer (CAO) reports that there is no impact to the General Fund. The proposed interagency agreement between the LAHD and HACLA will be reimbursed by HACLA proceeds.

Financial Policies Statement: The CAO reports that the recommended actions comply with the City's Financial Policies.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

Summary:

At a regular meeting held on September 28, 2022, the Housing Committee considered reports from the LAHD and CAO relative to authorizing the execution of an interagency agreement between the LAHD and HACLA, for the LAHD to provide professional environmental services for the HACLA pursuant to the CEQA, NEPA, and other relevant Federal, State, and local land use environmental laws and regulations. The proposed contract term is for one year retroactive to July 1, 2022, with the option to renew for two additional one-year terms, pending funding availability, with a compensation amount of \$300,000 or up to the actual cost of the environmental reviews performed during the contract term. After providing an opportunity for public comment, the Committee moved to adopt the recommendations contained in the CAO report dated September 22, 2022, as detailed above. This matter is now submitted to the Council for consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

HOUSING COMMITTEE

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
CEDILLO:	YES
RAMAN:	YES
HARRIS-DAWSON:	YES
KREKORIAN:	YES
LEE:	ABSENT

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