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On December 12, 2018, the City Council approved a master license agreement with Kounkuey Design Initiative (KDI) to implement the Adopt-A-Lot (AAL) Pilot Program (CF 18-0630). The goal of the AAL pilot program was to transform vacant, city-owned lots into neighborhood resources that support community health and development. The master license agreement between the City and KDI was executed on September 13, 2019, with an 18-month term, and two optional, six-month extensions.

The AAL Program has provided a pathway to transform blighted spaces that have served as a host to crime and nuisance, with open, community-serving public spaces. Many of the City's vacant lots are in neighborhoods with limited access to parks or open spaces.

Unfortunately, the COVID-19 pandemic was a major hindrance to the AAL Pilot Program. The first AAL site, located in the North Hills neighborhood, was completed in February 2020 and closed shortly thereafter due to the Stay at Home orders. The transformation of the second site, located in Watts, was significantly delayed due to the pandemic. In spite of the challenges, the AAL Pilot Program demonstrated the value of community collaboration and the potential for future AAL projects.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the City Council instruct the Department of General Services, with the assistance of the City Administrative Officer, and in consultation with the City Attorney, to extend the master license agreement between the City and Kounkuey Design Initiative by three years, to continue implementation of the Adopt-A-Lot Program.

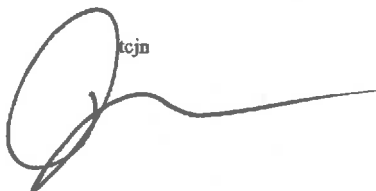
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