

MOTION

The Athens Services Community Benefits Trust Fund provides funding for health care, environmental, and transportation projects, programs, and services in the Sun Valley, Shadow Hills, Stonehurst, La Tuna Canyon, and nearby neighborhoods of Council Districts 2, 6, and 7. Recreational safety has been an ongoing concern of residents in Council District 7.

La Tuna Canyon provides its residents with many opportunities for outdoor activities. La Tuna Canyon Park located in the Verdugo Mountains is home to many hiking trails and panoramic views. On September 1, 2017, a wildfire broke out in La Tuna Canyon burning nearly 8,000 acres. The Los Angeles City Fire Department and its partners across the State brought the largest wildfire in the City of Los Angeles in 50 years to 100% containment on September 9, 2017. To continue remediation of the area and to reopen the La Tuna Canyon trailhead, the existing gate at the trailhead will need to be removed. In addition, the scope of work includes rebuilding a new gate and clearance of the right of way, as well as the placement of k-rails to prevent vehicular access into these ecologically vulnerable areas.

There are sufficient funds in Council District 7's Athens Community Trust Fund to fund transportation-related safety projects and deserves financial assistance from the City. Council District 7's portion of the Athens Community Services Trust Fund can be transferred to the Bureau of Street Services to move forward with the project. Action is needed to begin work on this effort by transferring money from the Trust Fund and to instruct the involved City departments to identify a contractor if needed for the construction of the project.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the unallocated/unencumbered balance in the Council District 7 portion of the Athens Services Community Benefits Trust Fund No. 56W-14 be transferred/appropriated to the Street Services Fund No.100-86, Account No. 6020 to continue remediation of the area and to reopen the La Tuna Canyon trailhead, including removal of the existing gate, construction of a new gate, clearance of the right-of-way, and placement of k-rails to prevent vehicular access into these ecologically vulnerable areas.

I FURTHER MOVE that the Bureau of Street Services be authorized to make any technical corrections or clarifications to the above fund transfer instructions in order to effectuate the intent of this Motion.

PRESENTED BY:



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SECONDED BY:



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