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CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION and TRADE, COMMERCE, AND TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the first amendment to the lease with Authorized Taxicab Supervision, Inc. (ATS) to incorporate substitute premises arising from the relocation of the taxicab holding lot at Los Angeles International Airport (LAX).

## Recommendations for Council action:

- 1. ADOPT the determination by the Board of Airport Commissioners (Board) that the proposed action is exempt under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) as provided in Article III, Class 1(18)(c) of the Los Angeles City CEQA Guidelines.
- 2. APPROVE the first amendment to the lease with ATS.
- 3. CONCUR with the Board's action of October 1, 2015 by Resolution No. 25804 authorizing the Executive Director, Los Angeles World Airports (LAWA), to execute the first amendment to the lease with ATS to incorporate substitute premises arising from the relocation of the taxicab holding lot at LAX.
- 4. REQUEST that LAWA and the Los Angeles Department of Transportation report in 30 days with possible locations near the new taxi holding lot where taxis can park when awaiting Code Pink dispatches and minimize disruption to local stakeholders.

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement</u>: The City Administrative Officer (CAO) reports that approval of the proposed first amendment will result in reduced revenue to LAWA of 12.5 percent or \$90,710 (from \$723,633 to \$632,923) annually and approximately \$513,419 over the remaining six years of the lease. If, however, the option to increase the lease space by 75,000 square feet is exercised, LAWA's annual revenue would actually increase to \$1,071,673. This project complies with LAWA's adopted Financial Policies. Approval of the amendment will have no impact on the City's General Fund.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

## TIME LIMIT FILE - NOVEMBER 6, 2015

(LAST DAY FOR COUNCIL ACTION - OCTOBER 30, 2015)

## SUMMARY

At the meeting held on October 20, 2015, your Trade, Commerce and Technology Committee considered a LAWA transmittal relative to the first amendment to a 10-year Ground Lease with ATS for the management of taxicab operations at LAX. The CAO reports that the first amendment incorporates a substitute premises in order to relocate the existing taxicab holding lot to accommodate the reconfiguration of Runway 6R-24L, the adjoining service road, and the Air Operations Area fencing to enable compliance with federal safety regulations. If approved, the proposed lease modification would become effective shortly after Council approval and in time to meet the project construction schedule for runway reconfiguration. The March 31, 2021 lease expiration would not change; therefore, the lease modification and taxicab holding area relocation would be in effect for the remaining six years of the lease term. An opportunity for public comment was held. After a brief discussion, the Committee moved to approve the

recommendations contained in the transmittal. This matter is now forwarded to the Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

TRADE, COMMERCE, AND TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE

**MEMBER** 

**VOTE** 

**BLUMENFIELD: YES** 

BONIN:

YES

KREKORIAN:

YES

BUSCAINO:

MARTINEZ:

YES YES

ME

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