



LONG BEACH REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY

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City of Long Beach
California

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt a Resolution making certain findings regarding the construction of certain public improvements with North Long Beach Redevelopment Project Area Funds. (Districts 8, 9)

DISCUSSION

Development and implementation of a one-way street couplet on 56th Street and Ellis Street between Long Beach Boulevard and Linden Avenue, as well as streetscape improvements along Atlantic Avenue will facilitate the removal of blight as well as help create safe, more cohesive and economically dynamic neighborhoods. The one-way couplet will improve and calm traffic flow, improve neighborhood access and circulation, and provide additional parking spaces. The proposed streetscape improvements will beautify public streets, promote business attraction and retention, and provide a feeling of community among project area neighborhoods.

Before the Agency may proceed with the aforementioned projects, California Redevelopment Law requires the Agency to adopt a Resolution making the following findings:

- That the construction of such public improvements are of benefit to the redevelopment project area or the immediate neighborhood in which the public improvement project is located;
- That no other reasonable means of financing the public improvements are available to the community; and
- That the payment of Agency funds for the construction of the public improvements will assist in the elimination of one or more blighting conditions within the project area.

The mission of the Long Beach Redevelopment Agency is to enhance the quality of life by improving blighted areas of Long Beach, revitalizing neighborhoods, promoting economic development, creating jobs, providing affordable housing and encouraging citizen participation.

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Full execution of the contract is contingent upon City Council action anticipated on Tuesday, October 3, 2006.

A resolution making the necessary findings regarding the construction of these public improvements with redevelopment funds in the North Long Beach Redevelopment Project Area is attached.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Adopt recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,



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APPROVED:


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Attachment: Redevelopment Agency Resolution