RESOLUTION NO. RES-08-0149

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LONG BEACH APPROVING THE TERMINO AVENUE DRAIN PROJECT AND IMPLEMENTING AGREEMENT, AND ADOPTING RESPONSIBLE AGENCY ENVIRONMENTAL FINDINGS PURSUANT TO THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT

WHEREAS, the Termino Avenue Drain Project (the "Project") would involve the construction of a storm drain mainline, six (6) lateral drains, low-flow treatment diversion berm, catch basin screens, and an outlet to Marine Stadium, in order to alleviate flooding problems in the area by collecting stormwater flows; and

WHEREAS, the County of Los Angeles ("County") is the lead agency pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") (Public Res. Code, § 21000, et seq.) and the State CEQA Guidelines (14 CCR § 15000, et seq.); and

WHEREAS, the County determined that an Environmental Impact
Report/Environmental Impact ("EIR") should be prepared pursuant to the CEQA in order
to analyze all potential adverse environmental impacts of the Project; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles, at its regularly scheduled public meeting on July 29, 2008, reviewed and considered the Initial Study, Draft EIR, Final EIR and other related documents in the record before it and by their action, certified the Final EIR and adopted environmental findings; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines sections 15091 and 15096(h) and CEQA, the City of Long Beach ("City") is a responsible agency for the Project and must therefore make certain finding prior to the approval of the Project; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City, at its regularly scheduled public meeting on November 18, 2008, reviewed and considered the Final EIR and other related

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documents in the record before it; and

WHEREAS, all procedures of CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines have been met, and the Final EIR, prepared in connection with the Project, is sufficiently detailed so that all the potentially significant effects of the Project on the environment and measures necessary to avoid or substantially lessen such effects have been evaluated in accordance with the above-referenced Act and Guidelines; and

WHEREAS, as contained herein, the City has endeavored in good faith to set forth the basis for its decision on the Project; and

WHEREAS, all of the findings and conclusions made by the City Council pursuant to this Resolution are based upon the oral and written evidence presented to it as a whole and not based solely on the information provided in this Resolution; and

WHEREAS, prior to taking action, the City Council has heard, been presented with, reviewed and considered all of the information and data presented to it, including the Draft EIR, Final EIR and other documentation relating to the Project, all on file with the City Clerk's office, and all oral and written evidence presented to it; and

WHEREAS, all other prerequisites to the adoption of this Resolution have occurred;

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Long Beach resolves as follows:

Section 1. The Final EIR prepared for the Project is hereby received by the City Council in the form on file in the City Clerk's office and incorporated herein by this reference.

Section 2. The City Council hereby finds and determines that the Final EIR has been completed in compliance with CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines, and as the decision-making body for the City of Long Beach, the City Council has reviewed and considered the information contained in the Final EIR and related documents before it and all of the environmental effects of the Project.

> Section 3. The City Council concurs with the environmental

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findings in County action dated July 29, 2008 and adopts these findings, on file in the City Clerk's office and incorporated herein by this reference. The City Council also finds that there are no additional feasible mitigation measures or alternatives within its powers that would substantially lessen or avoid any significant effects that the Project would have on the environment.

Section 4. The City Council hereby approves the Project and authorizes the City Manager to execute the City-County Cooperative Agreement, which Agreement is found by the City Council to be within the scope of the Project as the Project was defined and described in the EIR certified by the County on July 29, 2008.

Section 5. The City Council concurs with the statement of overriding considerations in County action dated July 29, 2008 and adopts the statement, and finds that the benefits of the Project outweigh the adverse environmental impacts not reduced to below a level of significance.

Section 6. The City Council hereby authorizes and directs that a Notice of Determination shall be filed with the Clerk of the County of Los Angeles within five (5) working days of approval of the Project.

Section 7. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption by the City Council, and the City Clerk shall certify the vote adopting this resolution.

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I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the City		
Council of the City of Long Beach at its meeting of <u>November 18</u> , 20 08 by the		
following vote:		
Ayes:	Councilmembers:	S. Lowenthal, DeLong, O'Donnell,
		Schipske, Andrews, Reyes Uranga,
		Gabelich, Lerch.
Noes:	Councilmembers:	None.
Absent:	Councilmembers:	B. Lowenthal.
		City Clark
		City Clerk