




City of Long Beach
Working Together to Serve

Office of Gerrie Schipske, R.N.P., J.D.
Councilwoman, Fifth District
Memorandum

R-8

Date: February 11, 2014

To: Honorable Mayor and City Council

From: Councilmember Gerrie Schipske, 5th District 

Subject: **AGENDA ITEM:** Direct the City Manager to Suspend the Contract of Arup North American Until the 2014 Mayor and Council are Seated

Background: On December 3, 2013, the City Council on a vote of 8-1, approved a contract with Arup North American Limited, of Los Angeles, California (team members include WBE/DBE/SBE and Local), in the annual amount of \$987,798, plus a ten percent contingency of \$98,780, for a total of \$1,086,578 for financial, architectural and community outreach consultant services related to the preparation and issuance of a Request for Proposals for a new Civic Center, review and analysis of submittals and assistance in the selection of a preferred proposer; with two optional one-year renewals; and Increase appropriations in the Civic Center Fund (IS 380) in the Public Works Department (PW) by \$1,086,578 from fund balance.

Because the Mayor and majority of the current City Council will not be in office when the selection of a preferred proposer is completed, the process needs to be suspended to allow the newly elected officials to review and to decide whether or not they want to go forward on a new Civic Center or alternatively to retrofit and repurpose the current buildings.

Recommendation: By motion of the City Council, direct the City Manager to suspend the contract of Arup North American Limited until the next City Council and Mayor assume office in July 2014.

Fiscal Impact: To be determined.