

CITY OF LONG BEACH

DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

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July 7, 2009

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL City of Long Beach California

RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize the City Manager to terminate the loan agreement between the City of Long Beach and Loft Developments, Inc. related to the Insurance Exchange Building at 201 East Broadway. (District 2)

DISCUSSION

On March 18, 2003, the City Council authorized a Loan Agreement and Secured Promissory Note with Loft Developments, Inc. (Loan Agreement) for the historic rehabilitation of the Insurance Exchange Building at 201 East Broadway. The project included the development of loft-style condominiums and ground floor retail. The purpose of the historic rehabilitation loan, totaling \$455,000, was to cover a projected financial gap for the project. The agreement was tied to the activation of the ground floor with retail uses and the profitability of the project.

At the conclusion of the project and pursuant to the provisions of the Loan Agreement, a financial audit was conducted to determine whether or not the project was profitable. The audit found that restoration of the Insurance Exchange Building was profitable in excess of \$455,000 and that no loan payments were warranted. While Loft Developments, Inc. has released and discharged the City from any demands or claims related to the Loan Agreement, Council action is necessary to formally terminate the loan.

This letter was reviewed by Chief Assistant City Attorney Heather Mahood on June 8, 2009 and by Performance Management Budget Manager David Wodynski on June 9, 2009.

TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action is requested on July 7, 2009, to resolve this matter.

FISCAL IMPACT

Termination of the loan agreement will have no fiscal impact.

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SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

CRAIG BECK DIRECTOR OF DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

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APPROVED:

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