

CITY OF LONG BEACH

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

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September 21, 2010

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL City of Long Beach California

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt the attached Resolution approving the Annual Assessment Report from October 1, 2010 to September 30, 2011 for the East Anaheim Street Parking and Business Improvement Area, declaring its intention to levy the annual assessment, and setting the date of hearing for October 19, 2010. (Districts 3 and 4)

DISCUSSION

The East Anaheim Business Association promotes and markets the East Anaheim Street commercial area, using funds generated through the assessment of area businesses located in the East Anaheim Street Parking and Business Improvement Area (EASPBIA). State law governing Parking and Business Improvement Areas require that an annual assessment report be submitted to the City Council by the Advisory Commission designated for the Assessment District. At its July 27, 2010 meeting, the EASPBIA Advisory Board voted to adopt the Fiscal Year 2011 EASPBIA Assessment Report (attached).

The Assessment Report describes the boundaries, proposed activities and budgetary information, as well as the method and basis for continuation of the assessment. The report proposes no change in the method of levying the assessment and no significant changes to proposed activities.

The recommended Resolution of Intention grants approval of the assessment report, declares the intention of the City Council to levy the assessment for proposed activities and sets the date of a public hearing for October 19, 2010.

This letter was reviewed by Chief Assistant City Attorney Heather Mahood on August 31, 2010, City Treasurer David Nakamoto and Budget Performance Officer Victoria Bell on August 31, 2010.

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TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

The EASPBIA contract year begins October 1, 2010. City Council action is requested following public hearing on October 19, 2010 to allow purchase order and contract modifications to be completed so that Fiscal Year 2011 (FY 11) assessment transfers may be made as required by the Agreement for Funding with the EASPBIA.

FISCAL IMPACT

It is estimated that the EASPBIA will generate \$140,980 in FY 11 through the proposed continuation of the existing assessment. Assessment funds are collected through additional fees attached to EASPBIA business licenses and passed directly through to the East Anaheim Street Business Association for implementation of annual programs. Funding for this activity in the amount of \$132,710 is included in the FY 11 Proposed budget in the Parking and Business Area Improvement Fund (SR 132) in the Department of Community Development (CD). The remainder of \$8,270 will be requested via the FY 11 quarterly budget adjustment process. There is no fiscal impact to the General Fund and no local job impact associated with this action.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

DENNIS J. THYS

DIRECTOR

DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

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Attachments:

East Anaheim Street Improvement Association Annual Report

Resolution of Intention Approving Annual Report and Levy with East Anaheim Street Business

Association

APPROVED:

RICK H. WEST

East Anaheim Street Parking and Business Improvement Area

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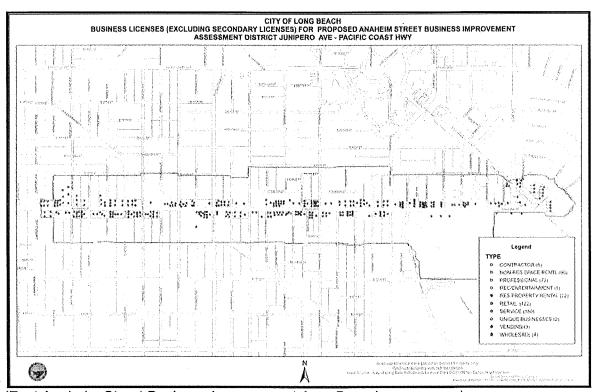
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- (6) The amount of any contributions to be made from sources other than assessments levied pursuant to this part.
- (c) The City Council may approve the report as filed by the Advisory Board or may modify any particular contained in the report and approve it as modified. The City Council shall not approve a change in the basis and method of levying assessments that would impair an authorized or executed contract to be paid from the revenues derived from the levy of assessments.
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According to State law, any district where there is no outstanding indebtedness may be disestablished by resolution of the City Council. This may occur if the City Council finds that funds have been improperly used or if the assessees request disestablishment.

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REVIEWED BY: DATE:

APPROVED BY: DATE:

RESOLUTION NO.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LONG BEACH APPROVING AN ANNUAL REPORT FOR OCTOBER 1, 2010 TO SEPTEMBER 30, 2011 FOR THE EAST ANAHEIM STREET PARKING AND BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT AREA ("EASPBIA") AND DECLARING ITS INTENTION TO LEVY THE ANNUAL ASSESSMENT FOR THAT FISCAL YEAR

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 36533 of the California Streets and Highways Code, the East Anaheim Street Parking and Business Improvement Area Advisory Board has caused a Report to be prepared for October 1, 2010 to September 30, 2011 relating to the East Anaheim Street Parking and Business Improvement Area ("EASPBIA"); and

WHEREAS, said Report contains, among other things, with respect to October 1, 2010 to September 30, 2011 all matters required to be included by the above cited Section 36533; and

WHEREAS, having approved such Report, the City Council hereby declares its intention to:

- A. Confirm levy of and direct collecting within the Area, assessments for the EASPBIA for October 1, 2010 to September 30, 2011. Said assessments are proposed to be levied on such classifications and at such rates as are set forth in Exhibit "A" attached hereto and incorporated herein. These assessments are not proposed to be levied on owners of commercial or residential property;
- B. Provide that each business shall pay the assessment annually, at the same time the business license is due. This is the same collection procedure which occurred in the previous fiscal year; and

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WHEREAS, to this end, the proposed activities and improvements undertaken by the Area include those generally specified in the establishing Ordinance ORD-10-0012, as adopted by the City Council on May 4, 2010; and

WHEREAS, a copy of the Report is on file with the City Clerk and includes a full description of the activities and improvements to be provided from October 1, 2010 to September 30, 2011, the boundaries of the area, and the proposed assessments to be levied on the businesses that fiscal year and all other information required by law; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of this City Council to fix a time and place for a public hearing to be held in the City Council Chamber of the City of Long Beach on October 19, 2010 at 5:00 p.m., regarding the Report, the levy and the proposed program for October 1, 2010 to September 30, 2011;

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

Section 1. That certain Report entitled "Assessment Report for October 1, 2010 to September 30, 2011, East Anaheim Street Parking and Business Improvement Area" as filed with the City Clerk is hereby approved.

Section 2. On October 19, 2010 at 5:00 p.m., in City Council Chamber, City Hall, 333 West Ocean Boulevard, Long Beach, California 90802, the City Council of the City of Long Beach will conduct a public hearing on the levy of proposed assessments for October 1, 2010 to September 30, 2011 for the EASPBIA. All concerned persons are invited to attend and be heard, and oral or written protests may be made, in accordance with the following procedures:

- At the public hearing, the City Council shall hear and consider all protests. A protest may be made orally or in writing by any interested person. Any protest pertaining to the regularity or sufficiency of the proceedings shall be in writing and shall clearly set forth the irregularity or defect to which the objection is made.
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before the time fixed for the public hearing. The City Council may waive any irregularity in the form or content of any written protest and at the public hearing may correct minor defects in the proceedings. A written protest may be withdrawn in writing at any time before the conclusion of the public hearing.

- C. Each written protest shall contain a description of the business in which the person subscribing the protest is interested sufficient to identify the business and, if a person subscribing is not shown on the official records of the City as the owner of the business, the protest shall contain or be accompanied by written evidence that the person subscribing is the owner of the business. A written protest which does not comply with this section shall not be counted in determining a majority protest.
- D. Testimony is also invited relating to any perceived irregularities in or protests to previous years' proceedings/assessments.

Section 3. The City Clerk shall give notice of the public hearing called for in Section 2 by causing this Resolution of Intention to be published once in a newspaper of general circulation in the City not less than seven days before the public hearing. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption by the City Council, and the City Clerk shall certify the vote adopting this resolution.

Section 4. 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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OFFICE OF THE CITY ATTORNEY ROBERT E. SHANNON, City Attorney 333 West Ocean Boulevard, 11th Floor Long Beach, CA 90802-4664

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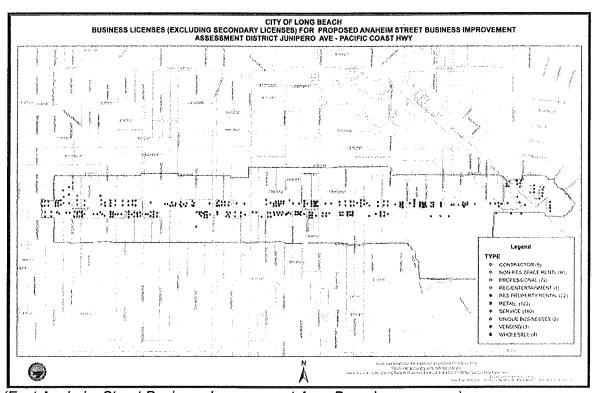
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