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Recommendation to declare the property located at 339 Pacific Avenue, Assessor Parcel Number 7280-015-900 (Subject Property) as surplus; authorize City Manager, or designee, to execute any and all documents, including the Standard Offer, Agreement and Escrow Instructions for Purchase of Real Estate with Urban Hotel Group, LLC, a California limited liability company (Buyer), for the sale of the Subject Property in the amount of \$112,000; and accept Categorical Exemption CE 15-063. (District 1)

The City of Long Beach, as Successor Agency to the Redevelopment Agency of the City of Long Beach (Successor Agency) currently owns the property located at 339 Pacific Avenue (Subject Property) (Exhibit A). The Subject Property is approximately 7,500 square feet and is improved with a public parking lot that has largely been utilized by patrons of the adjacent Dolly Varden Hotel (Hotel). The Subject Property is included in the Successor Agency's Long Range Property Management Plan (LRPMP), which was approved by the State of California Department of Finance (DOF) on March 10, 2015. The Subject Property has been categorized with a permissible use of "Sale of Property" allowing for the Subject Property to be sold and proceeds distributed as property tax to the local taxing agencies.

The former Redevelopment Agency was in pre-existing and near-final discussions with the Buyer for the purchase of the Subject Property for use as dedicated parking for the Hotel. Subsequent to the LRPMP's approval, the Subject Property was assigned to Coldwell Banker Commercial WestMac, who worked with the Buyer to present the Successor Agency with an offer to purchase the property for \$112,000, which is fair market value as determined by an independent appraisal. The sale of the Subject Property is consistent with the LRPMP and dissolution activities.

In compliance with Government Code Section 54220 (Chapter 621, Statutes of 1968), on June 1, 2015, staff notified the State of California (State) that the Successor Agency was declaring all Future Development and Sale of Property parcels as surplus. Further, in accordance with past practice, a memorandum was circulated to all City Departments to determine their interest in or objection to declaring any parcel surplus. To date, neither the State nor any City Department has expressed an interest or objection in the Subject Property. A Categorical Exemption, CE 15-063 (Exhibit B), was completed related to the proposed transaction on June 4, 2015.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Richard Anthony on May 28, 2015, and by Budget Management Officer Victoria Bell on June 4, 2015.

Successor Agency action is requested on June 23, 2015, so the sale of 339 Pacific Avenue

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may be considered by the Oversight Board on July 6, 2015, and promptly submitted to the DOF for review.

Sale proceeds of \$112,000, less escrow and closing fees, will be remitted to the Los Angeles County Auditor-Controller for distribution to the affected taxing agencies. After escrow and closing fees, the amount available for remittance is estimated to be \$97,680. The County will distribute the revenue to the affected taxing agencies based on their share of the \$1 tax rate. The City's share is approximately 21 percent, resulting in roughly \$20,500.

Approve recommendation.

AMY J. BODEK, AICP DIRECTOR OF DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

APPROVED:

PATRICK H. WEST CITY MANAGER