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HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL City of Long Beach California

RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize the City Manager to accept an easement deed for the installation of a double check detector valve as part of the improvement plans to the commercial building located at 3705 East South Street; and adopt and accept Categorical Exemption CE-14-021. (District 9)

DISCUSSION

When significant new development is proposed, the Long Beach Water Department (LBWD) evaluates its facilities for sufficiency. For the renovation of a retail commercial property located at 3705 East South Street, the LBWD requires the installation of a double check detector valve to accommodate the proposed new use of this facility. It is necessary that the LBWD receive an easement on the property, as indicated on the attachment, in order to allow for the installation of this LBWD detector valve. This assembly is a backflow prevention device designed to protect water supplies from contamination. Improvements to the exterior and interior of the 127,337 square-foot building, for an anchor tenant, were recently completed. An additional 8,144 square feet of retail commercial space for other tenants, and additional parking spaces, are under construction.

The customary investigation was conducted involving public utilities and interested City of Long Beach (City) departments, and there were no objections to the proposed Grant of Easement. In conformance with the California Environmental Quality Act, Categorical Exemption CE-14-021 was issued for this project on March 7, 2014.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Linda Vu on May 6, 2015, and by Budget Management Officer Victoria Bell on September 11, 2015.

TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action on this matter is not time critical.

FISCAL IMPACT

A grant of easement processing fee in the amount of \$2,044 was deposited into the General Fund (GF) in the Public Works Department (PW). Approval of this matter will provide continued support to the local economy.

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SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

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DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS

AM:SC:sj

P: 3705 E. South Street Attachments: Sketch

APPROVED:

PATRICK H. WEST CITY MANAGER

