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RESOLUTION NO. RES-13-0039

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A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LONG BEACH, CALIFORNIA AUTHORIZING SUBMITTAL OF THE RENEWAL APPLICATION TO CALRECYCLE OF THE LONG BEACH RECYCLING MARKET DEVELOPMENT ZONE AND ADOPT NEGATIVE DECLARATION ND-43-02

WHEREAS, California Public Resources Code Section 42010 provides for the establishment of the Recycling Market Development Zone ("RMDZ") program throughout the State to provide incentives to stimulate development of post-consumer and secondary materials markets for recyclables, to stimulate recycling based manufacturing businesses, and create jobs; and

WHEREAS, the State of California's Department of Resources Recovery and Recycling ("CalRecycle") succeeded the administration of the RMDZ when the California Integrated Waste Management Board ("CIWMB") was eliminated in 2009, and CalRecycle is soliciting applications to renew Zone designations, including from the City of Long Beach; and

WHEREAS, CalRecycle, in its Strategic Plan, has adopted a goal to continuously integrate environmental justice concerns into all of its programs and activities; and

WHEREAS, cities and counties must meet a 50 percent (50%) reduction in landfill waste disposal as mandated in the California Integrated Waste Management Act; and

WHEREAS, on March 10, 1992, the City Council of the City of Long Beach adopted a resolution to create a Recycling Market Development Zone; and

WHEREAS, on December 17, 2002, the City Council of the City of Long

1 Beach adopted a resolution to renew the RMDZ designation for another ten (10) years,
2 and the Long Beach RMDZ designation will expire in June 2013 unless re-designated by
3 CalRecycle; and

4 WHEREAS, on November 7, 2002, the Planning Commission approved a
5 Negative Declaration (ND-43-02), in support of the renewal of the Long Beach RMDZ
6 pursuant to the provisions of State CEQA Guidelines, and the Department of
7 Development Services; and

8 WHEREAS, the City Council has reviewed ND-43-02 and determined that
9 no new significant environmental effects would occur as a result of this re-designation
10 that were not already identified in ND-43-02, and finds that there is no substantial
11 evidence that the requested re-designation as a RMDZ will have a significant effect on
12 the environment; and

13 WHEREAS, the Long Beach RMDZ is dedicated to establishing, sustaining
14 and expanding recycling-based manufacturing businesses, which is essential for market
15 development, creating jobs, and assisting the City of Long Beach in complying with the
16 State's established landfill waste disposal reduction requirements; and

17 WHEREAS, the renewal of the City of Long Beach RMDZ as a RMDZ is still
18 necessary to facilitate and support existing recycling-based manufacturing businesses,
19 as well as attract private sector recycling investments to the RMDZ; and

20 WHEREAS, the City of Long Beach has participated in the RMDZ program
21 as part of its waste reduction efforts since 1992; and, the Long Beach RMDZ has
22 administered almost four million dollars (\$4,000,000) in loans to recycling based
23 businesses in the City of Long Beach; and

24 WHEREAS, the City of Long Beach still desires existing and new recycling-
25 based manufacturing businesses who wish to locate within the Zone to be eligible for the
26 technical and financial incentives associated with the RMDZ program;

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

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Section 1. Adopts Negative Declaration ND-43-02.

Section 2. Approves the submittal of a Recycling Market Development Zone renewal application to CalRecycle and authorizes the City Manager or his designee to execute all necessary related documents.

Section 3. Agrees to administer the RMDZ program in accordance with all applicable State and Federal laws and regulations.


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.

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the City Council of the City of Long Beach at its meeting of May 21, 2013, by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers: Garcia, Lowenthal, O'Donnell, Schipske,
Andrews, Johnson, Austin, Neal.

Noes: Councilmembers: None.

Absent: Councilmembers: DeLong.



City Clerk