



# CITY OF LONG BEACH

# R-24

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February 3, 2009

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL  
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## RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize the City Manager to sign all documents necessary to execute the City-County Cooperative Agreement with Los Angeles County for construction of the Termino Avenue Drain Project (TADP) as designed by Los Angeles County for an estimated amount of \$2,910,000. (Districts 3 and 4)

## DISCUSSION

The City of Long Beach (City) and the Los Angeles County Department of Public Works (LACDPW) have been working together since 1993 to alleviate flooding problems by construction of a storm drain in an area that extends from the intersection of Redondo Avenue and Anaheim Street southerly to the Colorado Lagoon. This proposed storm drain is referred to as the Termino Avenue Drain Project (TADP).

On November 18, 2008, the City Council adopted a resolution approving the TADP as designed by Los Angeles County, authorizing the City Manager to sign all documents necessary to execute the City-County Cooperative Agreement (Agreement) with Los Angeles County for construction of the TADP, and adopting a responsible agency environmental finding pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). In the Council letter attached to that resolution, staff indicated that the total project cost is estimated at \$26,400,000 and under the agreement the City would be contributing \$2,000,000, which is primarily being used to offset the costs of water quality enhancements such as catch basin inserts and low-flow sewer diversions. The LACDPW will be funding a majority of the remainder of the project.

The Council letter also indicated that the project includes some water main work, at an estimated cost of \$910,000, which is anticipated to be funded by the Long Beach Water Department. This funding proposal is expected to be presented to the Board of Water Commissioners for their consideration on February 5, 2009. The Agreement aggregates the cost for water main work into the City's contribution. Therefore, staff seeks to ensure that Council understand that the City's monetary commitment under the Agreement will be \$2,910,000 rather than the \$2,000,000 mentioned in the previous Council letter. The Agreement will not be executed by the City Manager until such time as the Board of Water Commissioners have approved the funding for the water main work.

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This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Amy Burton on January 23, 2009 and Budget Management Officer Victoria Bell on January 22, 2009.

SUSTAINABILITY

The water quality mitigation improvements in the project will significantly reduce trash, debris green waste, sediment, bacteria and pollutants, by including AbTech Ultra Urban Filter with Smart Sponge catch basin screens, and low-flow sanitary sewer diversion in the County-owned pump station.

TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action on this item is requested on February 3, 2009 to allow the LACDPW to proceed with soliciting bids and proceeding with the award and construction of the project by the end of their fiscal year.

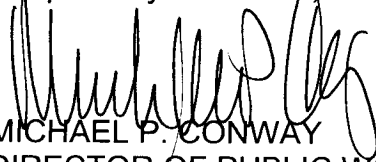
FISCAL IMPACT

The total estimated cost of the project is \$26,400,000. The City's portion is \$2,000,000 and sufficient funds are budgeted in the General Capital Projects Fund (CP), Gas Tax Street Improvement Fund (SR 181), and the Tidelands Operating Fund (TF) in the Department of Public Works (PW). Funding for the ongoing maintenance of the catch basin inserts and low-flow sewer diversion is located Public Works' existing General Fund budget. The Water Department's water relocation costs are \$910,000 and will be funded by the Water Department.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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