



Legislation Text

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Recommendation to adopt resolution approving the decision of the City of Long Beach, as the Successor Agency to the Redevelopment Agency of the City of Long Beach to: (1) transfer ownership of 5870 Atlantic Avenue, Assessor Parcel Numbers 7124-032-900 through -918, to the City of Long Beach; (2) authorize City Manager and Director of Development Services to execute any and all documents necessary to complete the transfer upon approval by the State of California Department of Finance; and (3) accept the Categorical Exemption CE 14-097.

The Successor Agency to the Redevelopment Agency of the City of Long Beach (Successor Agency) currently owns the property located at 5870 Atlantic Avenue, Assessor Parcel Numbers 7124-032-900 through 918 (Subject Property) (Exhibit A - Site Map). The Successor Agency assembled the Subject Property from 2005-2007 consistent with the goals of the North Long Beach Strategic Guide for Redevelopment, which identified the two-block area along Atlantic Avenue between 56th and 59th Streets as a Target Site for potential new development related to the creation of a strong Village Center in North Long Beach. The vision of the Guide was for the area around the intersection of Atlantic Avenue and South Street to be developed as the principal neighborhood center/town center for North Long Beach. Pedestrian-oriented retail uses would be expanded along street frontages, streetscape and parking improvements would be implemented, and public uses, arts and cultural facilities and pocket parks be developed as appropriate. Under the Guide, the property at 59th Street and Atlantic Avenue has been identified as the site for the new North Library, which is currently proceeding to construction. An Environmental Impact Report for this project was completed in November 2009. This project was identified in the scope of public projects for which Recovery Zone Economic Development bonds were issued in late 2010, which remains an ongoing obligation.

In compliance with AB1484, the Successor Agency submitted its Long Range Property Management Plan (LRPMP) to the California State Department of Finance (DOF) for review in October 2013. The LRPMP categorizes the Subject Property as a Government Use parcel, as the Subject Property is currently being constructed as a public library. Section 34181 (a) and Section 34191.3 of the Health and Safety Code allow for the transfer of properties categorized as Government Use prior to the DOF's approval of the LRPMP. Successor Agency staff would like to proceed with conveying fee title to the Subject Property to the City.

Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act, Categorical Exemption, CE 14-097 was completed related to the proposed transfer of title to the City.

This matter will be considered by the Successor Agency to the Redevelopment Agency of the City of Long Beach on September 16, 2014.

A RESOLUTION OF THE OVERSIGHT BOARD OF THE CITY OF LONG BEACH AS THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF THE CITY OF LONG BEACH

APPROVING THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY'S ACTION TO 1) TRANSFER OWNERSHIP OF PROPERTY LOCATED AT 5870 ATLANTIC AVENUE, ASSESSOR PARCEL NUMBERS 7124-032-900 THROUGH -918, TO THE CITY OF LONG BEACH; 2) AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER AND DIRECTOR OF DEVELOPMENT SERVICES TO EXECUTE ANY AND ALL DOCUMENTS NECESSARY TO COMPLETE THE TRANSFER UPON APPROVAL BY THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE; AND 3) ACCEPT THE CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION CE 14-097

Approve recommendation.

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APPROVED:

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