



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 1195 E. 15th Street, Assessor Parcel Number 7268-022-910, 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 14-089.

The Successor Agency to the Redevelopment Agency of the City of Long Beach (Successor Agency) currently owns the property located at 1195 E. 15th Street, Assessor Parcel Number 7268-022-910 (Subject Property) (Exhibit A - Site Map). The Successor Agency acquired the Subject Property in 2006 consistent with the goals of the Central Long Beach Strategic Guide for Development, which identified the Central Long Beach Redevelopment Project Area (Area) as being far underserved in terms of recreational and open space opportunities. The Successor Agency, in conjunction with the City's Department of Parks, Recreation and Marine, identified several opportunities for open space development throughout the Area, one of which included the Subject Property. The Subject Property includes approximately 11,451 square feet of land area and, subsequent to acquisition, has been developed as Rosa Parks Park, which includes a walkway surrounded by native plants, water friendly landscaping and a commemorative art piece of Rosa Parks. In addition, several traffic improvements, including a bus stop and benches, were installed allowing better traffic circulation while creating a more pedestrian friendly environment along two major avenues in Long Beach, Orange and Alamitos.

In compliance with AB1484, the Successor Agency submitted its Long Range Property Management Plan (LRPMP) to the California State Department of Finance (OaF) for review in October 2013. The LRPMP categorizes the Subject Property as a Government Use parcel, as the Subject Property is currently utilized as a public park. 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 OaF'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 14-089 was completed related to the proposed transaction.

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 1195 E. 15TH STREET, ASSESSOR PARCEL NUMBER 7268-022-910, 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 14-089

Approve recommendation.

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APPROVED:

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