

CITY OF LOS ANGELES
INTER-DEPARTMENTAL CORRESPONDENCE

**L.A. FOR KIDS STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING, JUNE 27, 2024
THE UNIVERSITY CORPORATION:
ABBOTT AND LINDA BROWN WESTERN CENTER FOR ADAPTIVE AQUATIC
THERAPY
AGENDA ITEM (5)
BUREAU OF ENGINEERING**

DATE: June 27, 2024

TO: Proposition K – L.A. for Kids Steering Committee

FROM: Ohaji Abdallah, Interim Proposition K Program Manager *Ohaji K. Abdallah, R.A.*
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Bureau of Engineering

**SUBJECT: RECOMMENDATION TO RESCIND PROPOSITION K FUNDS FROM
THE UNIVERSITY CORPORATION: ABBOTT AND LINDA BROWN
WESTERN CENTER FOR ADAPTIVE AQUATIC THERAPY (CD#12,
PROJECT ID# C267-10, C.F. 21-1145)**

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Bureau of Engineering (BOE) recommends that the L.A. for Kids Steering Committee (Steering Committee):

- (a) Recommend that the City Council approve The University Corporation: Abbott and Linda Brown Western Center for Adaptive Aquatic Therapy's (The University Corporation) request to rescind their award of Proposition K grant funding, in the amount of \$172,000, for the repair and installation of a moveable pool floor for adaptive and therapeutic exercises and sports for the disabled; and,
- (b) Authorize BOE to notify the University Corporation of the City Council's action.

BACKGROUND

The University Corporation - California State University, Northridge (CSUN), Abbott and Linda Brown Western Center for Adaptive Aquatic Therapy (The University Corporation) applied for Proposition K funding in the 10th Funding Cycle, for the repair and installation of a moveable pool floor for adaptive and therapeutic exercises for the disabled, for their Abbott and Linda Brown Western Center for Adaptive Aquatic Therapy (Project). The Project is located within the California State University, Northridge Center of

Achievement, located at 18111 Nordhoff Street, Northridge, CA 91330, in Council District 12 (Project ID# C267-10).

The University Corporation was awarded \$172,000 in Proposition K funds (Council File No. 21-1145) towards the cost of construction of their Project. A draft Proposition K Grant Agreement was prepared by the BOE, between the City (Bureau of Engineering, BOE) and The University Corporation.

The Project was to be comprised of the repair and installation of a moveable pool floor the adaptive and therapeutic exercise use for the disabled.

On June 14, 2023, the BOE received a letter from the University Corporation, California State University, Northridge (CSUN) that they wish to rescind their Proposition K Grant for the Project, as CSUN is not able to fulfill all the requirements needed to execute a Proposition K grant agreement (Attachment No. 1).

BOE has had several conversations with The University Corporation, and due to various restrictions on Proposition K grant funding and existing City requirements, has been unable to modify the grant terms sufficiently for The University Corporation to be able to enter into said Grant Agreement. To date, no funds have been disbursed to The University Corporation.

Therefore, the BOE recommends that the City accept the request of The University Corporation, and rescind the Proposition K grant award for the Project, and so notify The University Corporation upon City Council approval of this recommendation.

A subsequent report to the Steering Committee will recommend the reprogramming of these grant funds, subject to Council approval.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no additional impact to the General Fund as the report recommendations are funded by Special Fund monies.

FINANCIAL POLICIES

The actions recommended in this report comply with the City's Financial Policies.

Attachment:

Attachment No. 1 – Letter from The University Corporation, dated June 14, 2023

June 14, 2023

City of Los Angeles
200 North Spring Street, 3rd floor
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Jacob,

Please be advised that The University Corporation, California State University, Northridge (CSUN), had applied for Prop K funds in the 10th RFP Cycle, and was awarded \$172,000 to repair and maintain the Center of Achievement/Abbott and Linda Brown Western Center for Adaptive Aquatic therapy. Unfortunately, The University Corporation, California State University, Northridge/CSUN wishes to rescind the Prop K Grant as it is not able to fulfill all the requirements needed to execute a prop k grant agreement.

Please let us know if you have further questions.

Sincerely,

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Charlene Rosenda Manzueta, MA, CRA

Managing Director, Research and Sponsored Programs, AOR | IO