

PROPOSITION K:  
L.A. FOR KIDS STEERING COMMITTEE  
Minutes from the Meeting of October 31, 2024

**MEMBERS:** Yolanda Chavez, City Administrative Officer, Chair (CAO)  
Matias Farfan, Chief Legislative Analyst (CLA)  
Bernyce Hollins, Office of the Mayor (Mayor)

The meeting was called to order at 9:32 A.M.

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General Public Comment, Multiple Agenda Item Comment.

Patricia Lepresi, resident of Northridge, expressed interest in the Oakridge estate project.

General Public Comment, Multiple Agenda Item Comment, comment period closed.

Item 1 Minutes of the September 26, 2024 Regular Meeting.

**DISPOSITION** Approved on consent.

Item 2 Bureau of Engineering (BOE) report to request approval and authority to release the Proposition K Maintenance Funding Application for 2024-25 Proposition K Maintenance Funds (July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025). (Proposition K; All CDs). Action by Committee. Direction to staff and related actions.

**DISPOSITION** Approved.

Ohaji Abdallah, BOE, provided an overview of the Proposition K Maintenance Funding Application instructions and timeline.

Item 3 Bureau of Engineering report supporting findings of infeasibility for the Ardmore Recreation Center project (Proposition K Project ID No. S87). (Proposition K; Council District 10). Action by Committee. Direction to staff and related actions.

**DISPOSITION** Approved.

Ohaji Abdallah, BOE, presented the findings of the alternative delivery methods to support the infeasibility of the Ardmore Recreation Center. BOE was unable to identify any alternative delivery method that would not negatively impact the Department of Recreation and Parks (RAP)'s ability to operate utilizing current staff.

Bernyce Hollins, Mayor, stated that there was equitable consideration for alternative project delivery options consistent with past actions taken for other projects.

- Item 4 The Office of the City Administrative Officer report on the Proposition K Program Reconciliation for Fiscal Years 1997-98 through 2026-27, including status of active projects, recommended funding adjustments, and strategic plan to complete program requirements. Action by Committee. (Proposition K; All CDs). Direction to staff and related actions.

**DISPOSITION** Approved as amended.

Melinda Gejer, CAO, presented the report on the reconciliation of the Proposition K program and plan for the successful conclusion of the program while minimizing impact to the General Fund.

Bernyce Hollins, Mayor, asked if the CTIEP recommendations are based on the award assumptions and cash flow needs for the project. Ms. Gejer responded that the projects have very large funding needs and it has been past practice to spread out the funding requests across various years out of respect for the numerous projects funded through CTIEP. Ms. Gejer added that the CTIEP award assumptions for future years was limited to projects that have received CTIEP funding in prior years.

Ms. Hollins requested further clarification between the two CTIEP funding columns and the shortfall columns in the Attachment 8. Ms. Gejer responded that the CTIEP columns include the anticipated funding requests for fiscal years 2025-26 and 2026-27. The shortfall column includes the difference between the City Engineer's Estimate and the projected funding awards for each remaining specified project.

Ms. Hollins stated that once program savings are recognized, there is an obligation to commit them by the end of the fiscal year. Ms. Gejer clarified that the report identifies anticipated savings and will be confirmed upon the administrative closeout of the projects.

Ms. Hollins expressed concern that the Proposition K Ballot Measure requires deposits to be obligated within the same fiscal year and these funds are currently earmarked for projects that are not anticipated to be awarded by the end of the fiscal year. Ms. Hollins asked if the program management team is requesting the authority to move the remnant funds this fiscal year. Ms. Gejer responded that the request is the authority to move the remnant funds as they are recognized in order to consolidate the funding for reprogramming.

Yolanda Chavez, CAO, requested the advice of the City Attorney on the language of the report recommendation to authorize staff to identify and

transfer unspent funds for completed projects as identified in Attachments 2 and 3 to new accounts within the Proposition capital program entitled “Unspent Capital Funds” with specific use of these monies to be presented for Council and Mayor approval in a forthcoming report. Ms. Gejer added that the footnote of Attachment 8 indicates that these funds are estimated amounts subject to administrative closeout.

Steven Hong, City Attorney, asked for clarification on the term “unspent funds” in Attachment 8 of the report. Ms. Gejer responded that the unspent funds include remnant funding from completed projects, funding from competitive rescinded projects, and funding from projects found to be wholly or in part infeasible. Ms. Chavez clarified that the program management team would seek approval from Council and Mayor in order to use the unspent funds.

Ms. Gejer noted that some rescinded projects with funds pending reprogramming are from earlier competitive cycles. Ms. Hollins clarified that the distinction between these funds and the estimated unspent funds identified in Attachment 8 is that no administrative closeout had been performed. Ms. Hollins added that the verification of the status of projects by BOE and the reconciliation served as a validation of the tentative funding remaining. Ms. Hollins also stated that the City Attorney had previously advised that once the funds are recognized, they must be fully committed by the end of the fiscal year.

Ms. Hollins recommended that the program management team perform an analysis of existing Sites and Facilities and CTIEP commitments on active Proposition K projects and exchange the funding with the recognized Proposition K unspent funds. The de-obligated Sites and Facilities and CTIEP funds can be held for the projects to use in the future years.

Ms. Gejer asked for clarification on modifying the report to incorporate Ms. Hollins’ recommendation. Ms. Hollins responded that the recommendation could be incorporated with a revised Attachment 8 with a review of funding that can be exchanged with CTIEP or Sites and Facilities funds.

Ms. Gejer asked if the report should come back at the next meeting and expressed concern that delaying the report would affect the reopening of the 11<sup>th</sup> Cycle RFP. Ms. Chavez recommended to amend the attachment before transmitting to Council and Mayor.

Ms. Hollins suggested revising the recommendation referring to Attachment 8 and amending the attachment to be sent to Council separately. Mr. Hong suggested that the recommendations be passed as is and a motion from the Committee to make an additional recommendation to staff to revise Attachment 8.

Ms. Gejer asked whether the revised Attachment 8 would no longer estimate the reprogrammable funding amounts and could the fiscal impact statement as there may not be sufficient funding showing for the funding exchange. Ms. Hollins responded that the analysis for the funding exchange should be conducted over a five year period to ensure sufficient funds for an exchange.

Ms. Hollins requested that the program management team provide revised recommendations in Attachment 8 for use of the Proposition K reprogramming balances to effectuate a funding exchange with eligible committed project funds that would enable the full commitment of Proposition K funds to occur within the current fiscal year prior to June 30, 2025. Ms. Hollins then moved to amend recommendation two in the report. All committee members were in favor.

Matias Farfan, CLA, moved to approve the full recommendations of the report. All committee members were in favor.

The LAFKSC Chair adjourned the meeting at 10:04 A.M.