

Providing Space to Facilitate the MLK Community Hospital's Opening

The County of Los Angeles (County) is fast approaching a significant milestone in its effort to return medical services to South Los Angeles. The Martin Luther King, Jr.-Los Angeles Healthcare Corporation (MLK-LA), a non-profit entity, was formed to lead the effort and, upon Board of Supervisors approval of appropriate legal documentation, will operate the new Martin Luther King, Jr. Community Hospital (MLK Community Hospital). MLK-LA is currently engaged in many start-up activities in preparation for the opening of MLK Community Hospital.

MLK-LA and the County's Chief Executive Officer are in the process of developing a lease agreement for occupancy of the new inpatient tower and other ancillary spaces required for operation of the future MLK Community Hospital. MLK-LA requires access to its designated warehouse space in the South Support Building (the Property) on the Martin Luther King Jr. Medical Center campus prior to the completion of the lease agreement to allow MLK-LA to store certain equipment items that must be ordered and received for installation prior to completion of the construction project which will be the subject of the proposed lease. MLK-LA has requested approval to begin utilizing approximately 5,363 square feet of available warehouse space in the Property within the next 60 days on a gratis basis.

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MOTION BY SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS
MARCH 5, 2013
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THEREFORE, I MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS as authorized by Government Code 26227:

1. Find that the portion of the South Support Building in question (5,363 square feet) is not needed for any present or foreseeable County purposes;
2. Find that use of the space in the South Support Building by the Martin Luther King, Jr.-Los Angeles Healthcare Corporation (MLK-LA) is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Sections 15301 (Existing Facilities) and Class 1 of the County's Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines;
3. Find that the proposed services to be provided by MLK-LA to the local community are beneficial and serve public purpose, which benefit the County and its residents; and
4. Approve and authorize the Chief Executive Officer, or his designee, to negotiate and execute a license agreement, approved as to form by County Counsel, with MLK-LA for the gratis use of approximately 5,363 square feet of warehouse space within the South Support Building for a term of 18 months commencing upon execution by the County, with one six-month renewal option.

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