

MOTION BY SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS

November 22, 2016

Supporting the EDA Grant Application for LA BioMed

On September 30, 2014, the Los Angeles County (County) Board of Supervisors (Board) approved a new Master Ground Lease (Lease) at Harbor-UCLA Medical Center with Los Angeles Biomedical Research Institute (LA BioMed). The 11.4-acre campus located on the Harbor-UCLA Medical Campus will provide for the continued operation and expansion of LA BioMed, a non-profit research institute founded in 1952.

LA BioMed plans on constructing a 78,000 gross square foot research facility. The new research facility will house several support functions for biomedical research including dedicated space for the Institutes for Translational Genomics and Infectious Diseases; an 18,000 gross square foot bioscience incubator; meeting and conference rooms; a large 160-seat, multipurpose lecture hall; and administrative space for LA BioMed.

LA BioMed intends to submit a \$3.0 million grant application to the U.S. Department of Commerce, Economic Development Administration (EDA) to cover a portion of the cost of constructing off-site improvements needed for the new research facility. Since the proposed project and off-site improvements will be on County-owned property, EDA requires that the County be a co-applicant for the EDA grant. The off-site improvements are estimated to cost a total of \$6,154,105, with \$3 million provided by EDA and the balance provided by LA BioMed. No County funds are required for the construction of the off-site improvements.

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**I THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:**

1. Find that: (a) the proposed actions and the construction of the research facility are within the scope of the Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) that was adopted by the Board on September 30, 2014; (b) there are no changes to the project or to the circumstances under which the project is undertaken since the approval of the MND that would result in new effects or the need for new mitigation; and (c) no new environmental document is required; and
2. Approve the attached resolution authorizing Los Angeles County to submit a grant application with LA BioMed to the U. S. Department of Commerce Economic Development Administration (EDA) for \$3.0 million to fund a portion of the cost of off-site improvement required for the construction of a new 78,000 gross square foot research and incubator facility on the LA BioMed campus located at the Harbor-UCLA Medical Campus; and
3. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer, or designee, to sign the EDA application as co-applicant with LA BioMed and any other documents required by the EDA to evidence Los Angeles County support for the project.

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RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMITTAL OF AN APPLICATION TO THE U.S DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION FOR FUNDING OF OFF-SITE IMPROVEMENTS REQUIRED FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A 78,000 SF RESEARCH AND INCUBATOR FACILITY BY THE LOS ANGELES BIOMEDICAL RESEARCH INSTITUTE AT HARBOR-UCLA MEDICAL CENTER (LA BIOMED)**

**WHEREAS**, LA BioMed is constructing a new research and incubator facility in accordance with the Amended and Restated Master Ground Lease (“Lease”) between LA BioMed and Los Angeles County, approved by the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors on September 30, 2014; and

**WHEREAS**, the new research and incubator facility will be located on the LA BioMed campus; and

**WHEREAS**, the construction of the new research and incubator facility will require the construction of off-site improvements that includes new electrical service, sewer connections, construction of a dedicated fire lane, storm water treatment facilities and other utilities and site improvements at an estimated total cost of \$6,154,106; and

**WHEREAS**, the LA BioMed campus occupies land owned by the County of Los Angeles (County) and is leased from the County under the provisions of a 60-year Lease; and

**WHEREAS**, LA BioMed intends to submit a grant application to the U.S. Department of Commerce Economic Development Administration (EDA) requesting \$3,000,000 towards the cost of the off-site improvements that will support the new research and incubator facility; and

**WHEREAS**, since the proposed project and off-site improvements will be on County-owned property, EDA requires that the County be a co-applicant for the EDA grant; and

**WHEREAS**, the County desires to be a co-applicant with LA BioMed to request a grant of \$3,000,000 in EDA funds towards the cost of the off-site improvements that will support the new research and incubator facility; and

**WHEREAS**, LA BioMed will fund the balance of all costs for the off-site improvements needed for the project.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HEREBY:**

1. Authorizes the Chief Executive Officer, or designee, in the name of the County as co-applicant with LA BioMed, to submit an application in the amount of \$3,000,000 to the U.S. Economic Development Administration (EDA) for the construction off-site improvements required for the construction of an approximately 78,000 gross square foot research and incubator facility to be located on the LA BioMed campus at the Harbor-UCLA Medial Campus; and
2. Authorizes the Chief Executive Officer, or designee, to execute, in the name of the County, the application and any documents required by EDA to evidence the support of the County for LA BioMed's proposed research and incubator facility and the construction of off-site improvements partially paid for by EDA.

The foregoing resolution was passed on this 22nd day of November, 2016, adopted by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles and ex-officio the governing body of all other special assessment and taxing districts, agencies and authorities for which said Board so acts.



**LORI GLASGOW**, Executive Officer-  
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors  
Of the County of Los Angeles

By Lachelle Smithman  
Deputy

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Mary C. Wickham  
County Counsel

By [Signature]  
Deputy