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LOS ANGELES RIVER UPPER REACH 2 WATERSHED MANGEMENT AREA

STATUS OF THE DEVELOPMENT OF A LOW IMPACT DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE AND GREEN STREET POLICY

Dear Ms. Vitale:

In the past, the City of Bell had implemented Standard Urban Stormwater Mitigation Plan (SUSMP) to improve the quality of stormwater and urban runoff under the old MS4 permit. The new MS4 permit requires the City to jointly working with neighboring cities in the development of a Watershed Management Program (WMP) to have a LID Ordinance and Green Street policy in place at the time of submittal of the draft WMP.

This letter is to serve to confirm that an adopted LID Ordinance and a draft Green Street policy were prepared in place. The City of Bell LID Ordinance 1197 became effective as of November 13, 2013 (see attached). Similarly, a draft Green Street policy based on the EPA's Green Street Municipal Handbook as referenced in the MS4 permit has been developed in conjunction with the Gateway Water Management Authority (GWMA). The draft policy with resolution is also attached. The policy with resolution will be taken to the City Council for approval in January, 2014.

If you have any further question, please contact Young Park at (323) 588-6211 Ext. 206 or e-mail ypark@cityofbell.org.

Sincerely.

Terry Rodrigue, P.E

City Engineer

Attachment: A copy of adopted LID Ordinance

A copy of draft Green Street Policy Resolution

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BELL, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING A GREEN STREETS POLICY

The City Council of the City of Bell, California, hereby resolves, determines and orders as follows:

Section 1. The Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) Permit (Order No. R-2012-0175) was adopted by the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Los Angeles Region on November 8, 2012. Municipalities electing to prepare a Watershed Management Program or an Enhanced Watershed Management Program under this Permit are required to demonstrate that Green Street policies are in place that specify the use of green street strategies for transportation corridors.

Section 2. Green Streets are enhancements to street and road projects to improve the quality of storm water and urban runoff through the implementation of infiltration, bio-treatment, xeriscaping parkways and tree lined streets. Green streets are also an amenity that provide many benefits including groundwater replenishment, creation of attractive streetscapes, and pedestrian and bicycle accessibility. Green streets are defined as right-of-way areas that incorporate infiltration, bio-infiltration, and/or storage.

<u>Section 3.</u> That the City Council of the City of Bell, California, hereby directs the Community Director to implement Green Streets for transportation corridors for publicly owned street and road projects that add 10,000 square feet or more of impervious surface.

<u>Section 4.</u> Routine maintenance including but not limited to: slurry seals, grind and overlay and reconstruction to maintain original line and grade are excluded from the Green Street Policy.

Section 5. At its regular meeting held on _______, 2013, after holding a duly noticed Public Hearing and passing upon all protests, the City Council determined that the public interest and necessity justify the adoption of the Green Street Policy.

Section 6. This resolution was posted in public places in the City of Bell, California.

<u>Section 7.</u> The Community Development Department shall incorporate aspects of green streets into internal annual staff trainings.

NOW, THEREFORE, TE CITY COUNILOF THE CITY OF BELL DOES HREBY

CERTICATE OF ATTESTATION ADN ORIGINALIY

foregoing resolution No. 2013	 was duly adopted by 	hereby certify that the above ad the Bell City Council at its regular , 2013, by the following vote:
AYES:		
NOES:		
ABSENT:		
ABSTAIN:		
		Jose Luis Valdez, City Clerk

Violeta Alvarez - *Mayor*Ana Maria Quintana - *Mayor Pro Tem*Alicia Romero - *Councilmember*Ali Saleh - *Councilmember*Nestor Enrique Valencia - *Councilmember*



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CERTIFICATION

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES) SS
CITY OF BELL)

I, JANET MARTINEZ, INTERIM CITY CLERK OF THE CITY OF BELL, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the attached Ordinance No. 1197 is a true and correct copy approved by the City Council at the Bell City Council Meeting held on November 13, 2013

Janet Martinez Interim City Clerk Date Certified

