## Report of the President & CEO

June 25, 2020

RESOLUTION DELEGATING AUTHORITY TO THE PRESIDENT AND CEO, OR HIS OR HER DESIGNEE, TO ACCEPT GRANT FUNDING FROM PRIVATE ENTITIES OR GOVERNMENT ENTITIES UP TO \$250,000 AND APPROVING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF RELATED DOCUMENTS AND AGREEMENTS RELATED TO SUCH FUNDING AND THE UNDERTAKING OF VARIOUS ACTIONS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH

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Purpose:

To allow HACLA to accept grant funding from private and government sources in amounts up to \$250,000 and obligate HACLA to comply with the terms and conditions of such grant funding without prior Board authorization for the particular grant.

Regarding:

The President and CEO, or his or her designee, is currently authorized by HACLA's Procurement Policy to execute contracts and increase any Board-approved contract in an amount up to \$250,000. This resolution provides the President and CEO, or his or her designee, explicit authority to also accept grant funding from private and government entities in amounts up to \$250,000.

Issues:

HACLA frequently receives offers of grant funding from government or private sources. Much of this funding is recurrent and anticipated, such as funding from the County of Los Angeles. Other grant funding is made available to HACLA on an emergency or timesensitive basis, with the understanding that HACLA will use the funds in an expedited manner and for particular purposes.

The Board has the power to "delegate to one or more of its agents or employees the powers or duties it deems proper." (Health and Safety Code Section 34280.) The Board has previously delegated authority to the President and CEO to enter into contracts and to increase Board-approved contracts in amounts up to the federal Simplified Acquisition Threshold (currently \$250,000). As of April 23, 2020, the President and CEO also has the authority to enter into contracts for the receipt of funds from private, local, state, or federal government sources for up to \$100,000,000, but only if such funds are for the acquisition of real property.

The proposed delegation allows the President and CEO, or his or her designee, to expeditiously accept other kinds of private or government grant funding and obligate HACLA to comply with the terms and conditions of such grant funding, while maintaining the general Board authorization requirement (except for real property acquisition grants) for grant contracts over \$250,000. This amount was selected as a reasonable limit beyond which the receipt of funds could impact HACLA's activities significantly enough so as to make Board consideration and action prudent.

## Vision Plan: PATHWAYS Strategy #7: Identify opportunities to reduce operating and administrative costs so that scarce resources are maximized

The proposed delegation will expedite contracting for the receipt of grant funding from private or government sources. Often, such funds are recurrent and anticipated revenue streams from entities with which HACLA has longstanding relationships. At other times, such funds may be distributed on an emergency or time-sensitive basis. In either instance, delegation will allow for an efficient contracting process that will enable faster access to grant funding.

Funding: The proposed delegation should not have a significant impact on the overall quantity of

funding, nor should it have a significant budgetary or program impact.

Environmental Review: Not applicable

Section 3: Not applicable

**Attachment:** Resolution

RESOLUTION NO.
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**WHEREAS,** HACLA is authorized to accept funds from any public or private source, pursuant to California Health and Safety Code Section 34315.3; and

WHEREAS, HACLA receives grant funding from private and government entities; and

**WHEREAS**, such grant funding often represents recurrent and anticipated revenue streams supporting established programs; and

**WHEREAS**, such grant funding is also sometimes distributed on an emergency or time-sensitive basis; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Commissioners (the "Board") is authorized to delegate to the President and CEO such powers and duties as it deems proper pursuant to California Health and Safety Code Section 34280; and

**WHEREAS**, delegating authority to the President and CEO to accept funding grants from private and government entities will expedite contracting processes.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board delegates authority to the President & CEO, or his or designee, to (i) accept grant funding from private and government entities in amounts not exceeding \$250,000, (ii) obligate HACLA to the terms and conditions associated with the receipt of such funding, and (iii) to execute and deliver documents and agreements related to such funding and the undertaking of various actions in connection therewith, all with the advice of legal counsel.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

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	CITY OF LOS ANGELES
	By: Ben Besley, Chairperson
APPROVED AS TO FORM:	
BY: James Johnson, General Counsel	
DATE ADOPTED:	_