December 14, 2016

Holly L. Wolcott, City Clerk Office of the City Clerk 200 North Spring Street, Room 224 Los Angeles, CA. 90012

Subject: Hollywood Media District PBID 2017 Annual Planning Report

Dear Ms. Wolcott:

As required by the Property and Business Improvement District Law of 1994, California Streets and Highways Code Section 36650, the Board of Directors of the Hollywood Media District Business Improvement District has caused this Hollywood Media District Business Improvement District Annual Planning Report to be prepared at its meeting on October 27, 2016.

This report covers proposed activities of the Hollywood Media District BID from January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2017

Sincerely,

Lisa Schechter

Lisa Schechter Executive Director Hollywood Media District Property Owners

# Hollywood Media District Business Improvement District

2017 Annual Planning Report

## **District Name**

This report is for the Hollywood Media District Business Improvement District (District). It is operated by Hollywood Media District Property Owners Association, Inc., a private non-profit organization.

## Fiscal Year of Report

The report applies to the 2017 Fiscal Year. The District Board of Directors approved the 2017 Annual Planning Report at the October 27, 2016 Board of Director's meeting.

#### **Boundaries**

There are no changes to the District boundaries for 2017

#### **Benefit Zones**

There are no changes to the District's benefit zone(s) for 2017

## 2017 IMPROVEMENTS, ACTIVITIES AND SERVICES

#### **Streetscape Services: \$323.011.00 (21.84%)**

The streetscape service program involves a contract with the District's maintenance vendor, Hollywood Beautification Team. Services and priorities are guided by the Board and the Clean & Green Committee. Uniformed clean teams will provide enhanced maintenance services, including sidewalk/gutter sweeping and litter removal, bus stop cleaning, sidewalk washing, graffiti removal and "Rapid Response Team" for cleanup of unusual maintenance problems, ranging from illegal dumping to graffiti tagging. The core services contract amounts to \$323,011 annually

A higher frequency of maintenance service is proposed for the "Premium Service Areas" since these areas have higher traffic counts, public bus service and significantly more usage by pedestrians. The premium service areas include Highland Avenue, Santa Monica Boulevard, and La Brea Avenue.

In addition, this year, funds will be allocated for maintenance and landscaping related services, apart from the core maintenance contract. The board along with the Clean & Green Committee will be looking at refurbishing the Highland Medians with California friendly drought tolerant plants and upgraded irrigation system. Other expenditures anticipated include tree trimming, purchase of additional trash receptacles, and other similar projects to beautify the District in accordance with the approved Management District Plan.

# Security: \$866,259.00 (58.58%)

The security program funds the following service: Bike patrols and vehicle patrols. The security vendor is Universal Protection Services. The Safe Committee recently updated the existing security contract (effective 8/1/2016) to increase the hourly rate for the patrol staff to be more competitive and create job retention in the District.

The contract calls for the following:

- 24/7 patrol service (Full Deployment 12 officers/1 captain)
- Deployment schedule is subject to change at the discretion of the Board and Safe Committee

The security headquarters continues to be housed at 7000 Romaine Street with the rent donated.

This past year, the Safe Committee made the determination to cancel the existing maintenance contract with Metro Video Systems in El Segundo for the five (5) surveillance cameras, donated to the Los Angeles Police Department, to provide enhanced public safety services. The determination was made to cancel the existing contract due to the function obsolesce of the camera system. A net savings of \$14,488. Additionally, the security team did not have full deployment of officers during calendar year 2016 resulting in a savings at year end.

Safe Committee meetings address a full range of issues: loitering, public urination, drinking in public, prostitution, vandalism, graffiti, and quality of life issues.

# <u>Improvements and Marketing: \$71,319.40 (04.82%)</u>

Improvements and marketing activities will aim to improve the overall business image of the district with the goal of attracting and retaining businesses, jobs and investment. Initiatives must be designed to provide collective benefits to businesses and property owners. This budget category allows for the funding of general consulting, marketing, and special improvements within the District. While annual work programs and budgets will be developed in collaboration with targeted stakeholders and approved by the owner's association, programs will be selected from a variety of options that may include the following:

- The production and distribution of a quarterly newsletter, intended primarily for District assessment paying stakeholders and interested community members;
- The hosting, maintenance and enhancement of the Hollywood Media District's website, www.mediadistrict.org which is in development with anticipated launch in 1st quarter 2017;
- Distribution of collateral materials developed in 2016/2017;

- Non profit community participation, working initiatives; or
- District promotion at the discretion of the board of directors.

## BID Management & Administration: \$218,209.00 (14.76%)

The Hollywood Media District Property Owners' Association will be the manager for the Business Improvement District activities and improvements. The Owners' Association shall implement programs, including coordination of sub-contracts with vendors as deemed appropriate. The BID will comply with the Ralph M. Brown Act, Sec 54950 et seq, California Government Code, the California Public Records Act, and all other applicable Codes and Regulations related to BIDs.

#### **Total Estimate of Cost for 2017**

A breakdown of the total estimated 2017 budget is attached to this report as Appendix A.

## Method and Basis of Levying the Assessment

The assessment rates are based on the anticipated benefit to be derived by each individual parcel within the boundary of the District. The rates for the Premium Area are: street frontage = \$5.50 per linear ft., land area = \$0.06715 per sq. ft., and building area = \$0.06715 per sq. ft., standard area: street frontage = \$2.75 per linear ft., land area = \$0.06715 per sq. ft., and building area = \$0.06715 per sq. ft.

## (There is No CPI increase for 2017)

## Surplus Revenues: \$410,000.00

Anticipated cash on hand at year end 12/31/2016 is \$410,000 consists of \$173,000 rollover monies, \$166,000 past due state special assessment collection, and \$71,000 for the Theatre Row Medallion Project. The estimated roll over of \$173,000 is a result of security staff not in full deployment during calendar year 2016.

## **Anticipated Deficit Revenues**

There are no deficit revenues that will be carried over to 2017

Contribution from Sources other than assessments: \$0.00

# APPENDIX A- TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUES/EXPENDITURES FOR THE Hollywood Media District BID- FY 2017

2017 Assessments	\$1,068,798.40	
Estimated Carryover from 2016	\$410,000.00	
Other Income	\$0.00	
Total Estimated Revenues	\$1,478,798.40	
2017 Estimated Expenditures		Pct.
Streetscape Services	\$323,011.00	21.84%
Security	\$866,259.00	58.58%
Improvements and Marketing	\$71,319.40	04.82%
BID Management & Administration	\$218,209.00	14.76%
Total Estimated Expenditures	\$1,478,798.40	100%