RESOLUTION 9363

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA IN SUPPORT OF ITS PROPOSAL FOR FUNDING UNDER THE WATERSMART: WATER AND ENERGY EFFICIENCY GRANTS FOR THE DIRECT INSTALL TURF REPLACEMENT PROGRAM FOR DISADVANTAGED COMMUNITIES

WHEREAS, the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation) is requesting proposals for water use efficiency activities from the WaterSMART: Water and Energy Efficiency Grants for FY 2024; and

WHEREAS, the submittal of a proposal for grant funding by Metropolitan has been determined to be exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) under Sections 15378 (b)(4) and 15061 (b)(3) of the State CEQA Guidelines.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California that the Board supports the proposal for the Direct Install Turf Replacement Program for Disadvantaged Communities under Reclamation's WaterSMART: Water and Energy Efficiency Grants for FY 2024.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Metropolitan's Board authorizes Metropolitan's General Manager to accept grant funding of up to \$250,000.00.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Metropolitan's Board delegates legal authority to Metropolitan's General Manager to enter into an agreement with Reclamation, subject to the approval of the General Counsel, relevant to receipt of the requested WaterSMART grant.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Metropolitan is capable of providing the amount of funding and/or in-kind contributions specified in the funding plan.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if selected for funding, Metropolitan will work with Reclamation to meet established program deadlines.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Directors of The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California at its meeting held October 8, 2024.

Secretary of the Board of Directors of The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California