Los Angeles City Council, Journal/Council Proceeding Friday, January 31, 2025

JOHN FERRARO COUNCIL CHAMBER ROOM 340, CITY HALL 200 NORTH SPRING STREET, LOS ANGELES, CA 90012 - 10:00 AM

SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

(For further details see Official Council Files)

(For communications referred by the President see Referral Memorandum)

Special Agenda

Roll Call

Members Present: Blumenfield, Hernandez, Hutt, Jurado, Lee, McOsker, Nazarian, Padilla, Park, Price Jr., Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (13); Absent: Harris-Dawson, Raman (2)

An Opportunity for Public Comment will be Provided for All Items on the Agenda, Regardless of Whether a Public Hearing has been Previously Held

Items for which Public Hearings Have Been Held

(1) **17-0037-S2**

GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the installation of baby changing stations in all public restrooms.

Recommendations for Council action, pursuant to Motion (McOsker – Yaroslavsky):

1. INSTRUCT the Department of General Services (GSD) and Chief Legislative Analyst (CLA) to report to Council with an adaptable City policy for the installation of accessible, universally designed changing stations in all public restrooms, including but not limited to City-owned facilities such as recreation centers, parks, libraries, and transit hubs; and, exploring additional policy recommendations for privately-owned businesses open to the public, including restaurants, shopping centers, and entertainment venues, in compliance with updated building codes.

- 2. INSTRUCT the City Administrative Officer (CAO) to investigate the feasibility of establishing a grant or incentive program to assist small businesses in retrofitting restrooms with inclusive changing stations to ease the financial burden of compliance.
- 3. INSTRUCT the GSD and the Los Angeles Department of Building and Safety, in coordination with the Department on Disability and Department of Public Works bureaus, to develop clear guidelines, timelines, and enforcement mechanisms to implement said policy recommendations by 2027 to ensure the City's readiness for global events.

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement:</u> Neither the CAO nor the CLA has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

Adopted Item

Ayes: Blumenfield, Hernandez, Jurado, Hutt, Lee, Nazarian, Padilla, Park, Price Jr., Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (12); Nays: (0); Absent: Harris-Dawson, McOsker, Raman (3)

(2) **24-0009-S3**

GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the proposed updated records disposition schedules of the Los Angeles Department of Building and Safety (LADBS).

Recommendation for Council action:

APPROVE the updated records disposition schedules of the LADBS as detailed in the September 27, 2024 City Attorney report, attached to the Council file.

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement:</u> None submitted by the City Attorney. Neither the City Administrative Officer nor the Chief Legislative Anayst have completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

Adopted Item

Ayes: Blumenfield, Hernandez, Jurado, Hutt, Lee, Nazarian, Padilla, Park, Price Jr., Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (12); Nays: (0); Absent: Harris-Dawson, McOsker, Raman (3)

Items for which Public Hearings Have Not Been Held - (10 Votes Required for Consideration)

(3) **23-1264-S1 CD 2**

MOTION (NAZARIAN - McOSKER) relative to accepting payment by the developer of the District NoHo Sign District, to be used for improving the visual environment, use of public open spaces, and benefitting the public realm in Council District Two (CD 2).

Recommendations for Council action, SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR:

- 1. ACCEPT the payment of \$815,317 by the developer of the District NoHo Sign District (Ordinance No. 188196, Council file No. 23-1264-S1); and, INSTRUCT the City Clerk to deposit this amount into a new Account in the CD 2 Real Property Trust Fund No. 684/14, entitled "District NoHo Sign District Mitigation"; said funds to be used generally for improving the visual environment, use of public open spaces, and benefitting the public realm in CD 2.
- 2. AUTHORIZE the City Clerk to make any corrections, clarifications or revisions to the above fund transfer instructions, including any new instructions, in order to effectuate the intent of this Motion, and including any corrections and changes to fund or account numbers; said corrections / clarifications / changes may be made orally, electronically or by any other means.

Adopted Item

Ayes: Blumenfield, Harris-Dawson, Hernandez, Jurado, Hutt, Lee, Nazarian, Padilla, Park, Price Jr., Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (13); Nays: (0); Absent: McOsker, Raman (2)

(4) **25-0070**

MOTION (PRICE - HUTT) relative to funding for site security and Stormwater Water Pollution Prevention Plan Management in Council District Nine (CD 9).

Recommendations for Council action, SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR:

- 1. TRANSFER and APPROPRIATE \$300,000 from the Municipal Improvement Corporation of Los Angeles (MICLA) Lease Revenue Commercial Paper Notes Fund No. 298/50, Account No. 50WSWC (Slauson and Wall Concrete Removal) to the Department of General Services (GSD) Fund No. 100/40, for site security and Stormwater Water Pollution Prevention Plan management activities as follows, for a total of \$300,000:
 - a. Account No. 001014, Salaries Construction: \$50,000
 - b. Account No. 003180, Construction Materials: \$250,000
- 2. AUTHORIZE the GSD to make any corrections, clarifications, or revisions to the above fund transfer instructions, including any new instructions, in order to effectuate the intent of this Motion, and including any corrections and changes to fund or account numbers; said corrections / clarifications / changes may be made orally, electronically or by any other means.

Adopted Item

Ayes: Blumenfield, Harris-Dawson, Hernandez, Jurado, Hutt, Lee, Nazarian, Padilla, Park, Price Jr., Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (13); Nays: (0); Absent: McOsker, Raman (2)

(5) **25-0040**

MOTION (McOSKER - PARK) relative to amending the prior Council action of January 21, 2025, Council file No. (CF) 25-0040, relative to the donation of surplus N95 masks.

Recommendation for Council action:

AMEND the Council action of January 21, 2025 (CF 25-0040) relative to

the donation of surplus N95 masks to correctly reflect the donee organization and contact information as follows:

- 1. Find that NoHo Home Alliance and Office of Assemblymember Mark Gonzalez Chinatown Service Center are eligible to purchase 7,632 boxes of N95 masks below market value (\$1.00) in accordance with Los Angeles Administrative Code Section 22.547 (Donation of Surplus City Equipment), as the cost to discard, recycle, or transport the surplus equipment would otherwise impose a net financial cost to the City.
- 2. Request the City Attorney to expedite the preparation of appropriate documents to effectuate the sale and transfer.
- 3. Instruct the City Clerk to inform NoHo Home Alliance [Hannah Grigereit, phone: (314) 705-7600, 13103 Ventura Boulevard, Studio City, California 91604] and Office of Assemblymember Mark Gonzalez [Sebastian Loranzo, phone: (213) 020 4646, 320 4th 8t. #1050 Los Angeles, CA 90013] Chinatown Service Center [Daisy Ma, phone: 213-808-1703, 711 West College Street, No. 388, Los Angeles, California 90012] that the surplus equipment must be claimed within 90 days from the date of Council approval of the request or notification of the availability of the equipment, whichever occurs later, at which time the equipment will revert to the City's surplus equipment pool for disposal by the Department of General Services.

Adopted Item

Ayes: Blumenfield, Harris-Dawson, Hernandez, Jurado, Hutt, Lee, Nazarian, Padilla, Park, Price Jr., Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (13); Nays: (0); Absent: McOsker, Raman (2)

(6) **25-0071**

MOTION (McOSKER - HUTT) relative to coordinating a street banner campaign to honor Black History Month.

Recommendations for Council action:

- 1. APPROVE, in accordance with Los Angeles Municipal Code Section 62.132, the Street Banner program being coordinated by Council District 15 as a City of Los Angeles Non-Event Street Banner Program for the period of February 2025 March 2025.
- 2. APPROVE the content of the street banner design, attached to the Motion.

Adopted Item

Ayes: Blumenfield, Harris-Dawson, Hernandez, Jurado, Hutt, Lee, Nazarian, Padilla, Park, Price Jr., Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (13); Nays: (0); Absent: McOsker, Raman (2)

(7) **21-1394-S1 CD 14**

MOTION (JURADO - PADILLA) relative to funding for the installation of awnings along puestos and buildings at the El Pueblo de Los Angeles Historical Monument (El Pueblo) in Council District 14 (CD 14).

Recommendations for Council action, SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR:

- TRANSFER and APPROPRIATE \$73,385 from El Pueblo Cultural Improvement Trust Fund No. 44T/33, Available Cash Balance to El Pueblo Fund No. 100/33, Account No. 003040 (Contractual Services), for the installation of awnings along puestos and buildings at El Pueblo.
- 2. AUTHORIZE the City Administrative Officer to make any technical corrections or clarifications to the above fund transfer instructions in order to effectuate the intent of this Motion; and, authorize the Controller to implement these instructions.

Adopted Item

Ayes: Blumenfield, Harris-Dawson, Hernandez, Jurado, Hutt, Lee, Nazarian, Padilla, Park, Price Jr., Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (13); Nays: (0); Absent: McOsker, Raman (2)

(8)22-0617

CD 1, CD 9, CD 14MOTION (JURADO - HERNANDEZ) relative to amending the prior Council action of December 4, 2024, Council file No. (CF) 22-0617, to adopt the draft Ordinance amending the Zoning Map transmitted on January 21, 2025, inclusive of an Urgency Clause and related findings, for the implementation of the Downtown Community Plan.

> Recommendations for Council action, SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR:

> AMEND the Council action of December 4, 2024 relative to the Environmental Impact Report (EIR), State Clearinghouse No. 201702124, Addendum and related California Environmental Quality Act Findings; Planning and Land Use Management (PLUM) Committee report and Resolution relative to implementing the Downtown Community Plan and New Zoning Code ordinances, CF 22-0617, to approve the following revised language for Recommendation No. 13, in lieu of any prior language, to effectuate technical changes, as follow:

13. ADOPT and concur with the Los Angeles City Planning Commission's September 23, 2021 action to approve the draft ORDINANCE, amending the Zoning Map, transmitted to the City Council file by the Department City Planning on January 21, 2025, and inclusive of an Urgency Clause and related findings.

Adopted Item as Amended by Motion 8A (Jurado – Hernandez) Forthwith - SEE ATTACHED Ayes: Blumenfield, Harris-Dawson, Hernandez, Jurado, Hutt, Lee, Nazarian, Padilla,

Park, Price Jr., Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroślavsky (13); Nays: (0); Absent: McOsker, Raman (2)

(9)13-0487

MOTION (PADILLA - JURADO) relative to accepting the payment of \$12,000 made by Sun Valley Paper Stock, Inc., pursuant to an agreement with the City for the processing and marketing of residential single-stream commingled recyclable materials for the East Valley Watershed.

Recommendations for Council action, SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR:

1. ACCEPT the payment of \$12,000 made by Sun Valley Paper Stock, Inc., pursuant to an agreement with the City for the processing and marketing of residential single-stream commingled recyclable materials for the East Valley Watershed; and, INSTRUCT the City Clerk to deposit this amount into the CD 6 Public Benefits Trust Fund 50C/14.

2. AUTHORIZE the City Clerk to make any corrections, clarifications or revisions to the above fund transfer instructions, including any new instructions, in order to effectuate the intent of this Motion.

Adopted Item

Ayes: Blumenfield, Harris-Dawson, Hernandez, Jurado, Hutt, Lee, Nazarian, Padilla, Park, Price Jr., Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (13); Nays: (0); Absent: McOsker, Raman (2)

(10) **21-0100-S4 CD 5**

MOTION (YAROSLAVSKY - RODRIGUEZ) relative to coordinating a street banner campaign to invite constituents to work, play, shop, and dine.

Recommendations for Council action:

- 1. APPROVE, in accordance with Los Angeles Municipal Code Section 62.132, the Non-Event Street Banner Program being coordinated by the Century City Chamber, as a City of Los Angeles Non-Event Street Banner Program for the period of March 2025 to March 2026.
- 2. APPROVE the content of the street banner designs, attached to the Motion.

Adopted Item

Ayes: Blumenfield, Harris-Dawson, Hernandez, Jurado, Hutt, Lee, Nazarian, Padilla, Park, Price Jr., Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (13); Nays: (0); Absent: McOsker, Raman (2)

(11) 24-1572

MOTION (HUTT - YAROSLAVSKY) relative to amending the prior Council action of January 7, 2025, Council file No. (CF) 24-1572, for acceptance of

funds from the West Adams Business Improvement District (BID), and to update the total contract amount with Edward Henning & Associates and Duckworth Consulting for expenses related to the renewal of the West Adams BID.

Recommendations for Council action, SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR:

- 1. AMEND the Council action of January 7, 2025 relative to authorizing the City Clerk to provide the necessary assistance for the renewal of the West Adams BID (CF 24-1572), to authorize the City Clerk to accept \$19,600 from the West Adams Boulevard BID, and update the total contract amount of \$44,500 with Edward Henning & Associates and Duckworth Consulting for expenses related to the renewal of the West Adams BID.
- 2. AUTHORIZE the City Clerk to make any corrections, clarifications or revisions to the above fund transfer instructions, including any new instructions, in order to effectuate the intent of this Motion, and including any corrections and changes to fund or account numbers; said corrections / clarifications / changes may be made orally, electronically, or by any other means.

Adopted Item

Ayes: Blumenfield, Harris-Dawson, Hernandez, Jurado, Hutt, Lee, Nazarian, Padilla, Park, Price Jr., Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (13); Nays: (0); Absent: McOsker, Raman (2)

(12) **25-0006-S49**

MOTION (PARK - NAZARIAN - YAROSLAVSKY) relative to inviting air quality experts from the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health and the South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) to present the latest information on air quality conditions as a result of the 2025 wildfires and windstorms.

Recommendation for Council action:

REQUEST the leadership of the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health and the SCAQMD to present before Council the recent and most relevant data on air quality conditions and guidance for the public to protect itself from the harmful particulate matter that has been released into the environment from these destructive fires.

Adopted Item

Ayes: Blumenfield, Harris-Dawson, Hernandez, Jurado, Hutt, Lee, Nazarian, Padilla, Park, Price Jr., Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (13); Nays: (0); Absent: McOsker, Raman (2)

(13) **25-0006-S48**

MOTION (HARRIS-DAWSON - YAROSLAVSKY) relative to funding for the 2025 wildfire emergency response and recovery.

Recommendations for Council action, SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR:

- AUTHORIZE the Controller to transfer a \$50 million appropriation from Fund No. 48R/08, Building and Safety Permit Enterprise Fund, Account No. 08S204, Reserve for Future Cost, to a new line item, Fund No. 100/56, Account TBD, 2025 Wildfire Emergency Response and Recovery, with the understanding that these funds are a temporary loan to be repaid from future State and federal reimbursements, for the 2025 wildfire emergency response and recovery.
- 2. INSTRUCT the City Administrative Officer (CAO) to authorize expenditures from the 2025 Wildfire Emergency Response and Recovery Account for Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) reimbursable response and recovery activities, with reports to the Mayor, Council President, Chair of the Budget and Finance Committee, and Chair of the Ad Hoc Committee for L.A. Recovery; for the duration of the declared local emergency.
- AUTHORIZE the CAO to make technical changes and/or prepare any Controller instructions to order and effectuate the intent of this Motion; and authorize, the Controller to implement those instructions.

Adopted Item as Amended by Motion 13A (Rodriguez – Park) Forthwith - SEE ATTACHED

Ayes: Blumenfield, Harris-Dawson, Hernandez, Jurado, Hutt, Lee, Nazarian, Padilla, Park, Price Jr., Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (13); Nays: (0); Absent: McOsker, Raman (2)

(14) **23-0038-S9**

HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the proposed Amended and Restated Contract No. C-144769 (Agreement) between the City and Estolano Advisors for providing Interim Inspector General Services to the Measure ULA Citizen Oversight Committee (COC).

Recommendation for Council action:

AUTHORIZE the General Manager, Los Angeles Housing Department (LAHD), or designee, to amend and restate Contract No. C-144769 with Estolano Advisors. The First Amended and Restated Agreement will increase the contract by \$504,515.87, for a new total contract amount not to exceed \$754,515.87, to provide Interim Inspector General Services to the Measure ULA COC, in substantial conformance to the draft document, included as Attachment B contained in the LAHD report dated January 15, 2025, attached to Council file No. 23-0038-S9, subject to contractor's performance, funding availability and approval of the City Attorney as to form.

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement:</u> The LAHD reports that there is no impact on the General Fund. The actions recommended in the report will be funded by revenue collected from the Homelessness and Housing Solutions Tax established by Measure ULA, and will be within the amounts proscribed in the measure for operation of the COC.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

Adopted Item

Ayes: Blumenfield, Harris-Dawson, Hernandez, Jurado, Hutt, Lee, Nazarian, Padilla, Park, Price Jr., Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (13); Nays: (0); Absent: McOsker, Raman (2)

(15) **25-0092**

CONSIDERATION OF MOTION (HARRIS-DAWSON – PARK) relative to a conflict-of-interest waiver to Covington and Burling in its representation of

JPMorgan Chase and Co. in the case entitled <u>State of California ex rel.</u> <u>Edelweiss Fund, LLC v. JPMorgan Chase and Co. et al.</u>, Case No. CGC-14-540777; and, its representation of CalMatters relative to the case entitled <u>CalMatters vs. Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority</u>, Case No. 24STCP02836.

Recommendation for Council action:

AUTHORIZE the City Attorney, or designee, to execute a conflict-of-interest waiver to the law firm Covington & Burling, which is 1) representing JPMorgan Chase & Co. in the case captioned State of California ex rel. Edelweiss Fund, LLC v. JPMorgan Chase & Co., et al., Case No. CGC-14-540777, in the Superior Court of California, County of San Francisco, to which the City is not a party, but where the firm has served a third party subpoena on the Los Angeles Community Redevelopment Agency in connection with that matter; and, 2) representing CalMatters in pursuing a California Public Records Act requests against the City [Nos. 24-7149 (July 1, 2024) and 24-8304 (July 30, 2024)], and in connection with CalMatters' receipt of documents pursuant to a stipulation in CalMatters v. Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority, Case No. 24STCP02836.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

(Budget and Finance Committee waived consideration of the above matter)

Question Whether to Substitute

Ayes: Blumenfield, Harris-Dawson, Hernandez, Jurado, Hutt, Lee, Nazarian, Padilla, Park, Price Jr., Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (13); Nays: (0); Absent: McOsker, Raman (2)

Adopted Substitute Motion 15A (Blumenfield for Harris-Dawson – Park) - SEE ATTACHED

Ayes: Blumenfield, Harris-Dawson, Hernandez, Jurado, Hutt, Lee, Nazarian, Padilla, Park, Price Jr., Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (13); Nays: (0); Absent: McOsker, Raman (2)

Items Called Special

Motions have been Referred and will be Posted on the City Clerk's Website shortly after the Council Meeting

Council Adjournment

ENDING ROLL CALLBlumenfield, Harris-Dawson, Hernandez, Hutt, Jurado, Lee, Nazarian, Padilla, Park, Price Jr., Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (13); Absent: McOsker, Raman (2)

Whereupon the Council did adjourn.

ATTEST: Holly L. Wolcott, CITY CLERK

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Council Clerk

PRESIDENT OF THE CITY COUNCIL

COMMENDATORY RESOLUTIONS

MOVED BY	SECONDED BY	NAME
Park	Yaroslavsky	Scott D. Goldstein
Soto-Martinez	Padilla	National Earned Income Credit (EITC) Awareness Week

ADJOURNING MOTIONS

MOVED BY	SECONDED BY	NAME
Rodriguez	All Members	Ramona Machuca Chavira

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I MOVE that the matter of Motion (Jurado-Hernandez) relative to relative to amending the prior Council action of December 4, 2024, to adopt the draft Ordinance amending the Zoning Map transmitted on January 21, 2025, inclusive of an Urgency Clause and related findings, for the implementation of the Downtown Community Plan, Item 8 (Council File No. 22-0617) on today's Council Agenda, BE AMENDED to APPROVE the following technical correction, as reflected in strikethrough and bold:

13. ADOPT and concur with the Los Angeles City Planning Commission's September 23, 2021 action to approve the draft ORDINANCE, amending the Zoning Map, transmitted to the City Council file by the Department of City Planning on January 21, 2025 January 27, 2025, and inclusive of an Urgency Clause and related findings.

PRESENTED BY:

SABEL JURADO

Councilmember, 14th District

SECONDED BY:

January 31, 2025

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I MOVE that the matter of Motion (Harris-Dawson – Yaroslavsky) relative to funding for the 2025 wildfire emergency response and recovery, Item No. 13 on today's special agenda (Council File No. 25-0006-S48), BE AMENDED to delete Recommendation No. 2 and replace it with the following:

2. INSTRUCT the City Administrative Officer (CAO) to authorize expenditures from the 2025 Wildfire Emergency Response and Recovery Account for Federal Emergency Management (FEMA) reimbursable response and recovery activities, with monthly reports on expenditures made to the Mayor, Council President, Budget and Finance Committee and Ad Hoc Committee for L.A. Recovery, for the duration of the declared local emergency.

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MONICA RODRIGUEZ
Councilmember, 7th District

SECONDED BY:

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January 31, 2025



I MOVE that the City Council authorize the City Attorney, or designee, to execute conflict-of-interest waivers to the law firm Covington & Burling, which currently include: 1) representing JPMorgan Chase & Co. in the case captioned *State of California ex rel. Edelweiss Fund, LLC v. JPMorgan Chase & Co., et al.*, Case No. CGC-14-540777, in the Superior Court of California, County of San Francisco, to which the City is not a party, but where the firm has served a third-party subpoena on the Los Angeles Community Redevelopment Agency in connection with that matter; and 2) representing CalMatters in pursuing a California Public Records Act requests against the City (Nos. 24-7149 (July 1, 2024) and 24-8304 (July 30, 2024)), and in connection with CalMatters' receipt of documents pursuant to a stipulation in *CalMatters v. Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority*, Case No. 24STCP02836.

PRESENTED BY:

SECONDED BY:

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for Harris-Dawson



TO CITY CLERK FOR PLACEMENT ON NEXT REGULAR COUNCIL AGENDA TO BE POSTED

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MOTION

Action is needed to provide assistance to Council District 7 (CD 7) residents who work in the informal service sector. Due to the Palisades Fire and other fires, these workers will now be at a loss for that stream of income. These constituents will need help, and may not be able to access emergency resources such as the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and other Federal or State Aid programs.

Although FEMA has authorized the use of federal funds to assist those affected by the Palisades and LA County fires, certain community members from CD7 such as housekeepers, pool cleaners, gardeners, personal chefs, caretakers, drivers, and other informal service workers may struggle to access this support. A stark reminder that our local economy is interconnected, means a disaster in one part of the City still affects the most vulnerable in others. For that reason, it is necessary to develop an alternative relief fund to support CD 7 constituents with micro-enterprises, sole proprietorship, and self employment situations. Failing to support this critical sector can lead to CD7 residents being unable to pay for expenses that can lead to homelessness, evictions, or food insecurity.

ICON CDC operates the City of Los Angeles Business Source Centers of the Northeast and South valley regions. They have continuously provided resources to help diverse entrepreneurs and small business owners succeed, including helping businesses legitimize themselves by acquiring proper permits and licenses. Their experience and success working with micro-entrepreneurs and street vendors in CD 7 has proven to be an asset to the economic growth of the Northeast San Fernando Valley.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Council instruct the City Clerk, with the assistance of the Chief Legislative Analyst, transfer \$25,000 in Council District 7 discretionary funds (AB 1290) to ICON CDC in order to create and administer a temporary relief fund program that would help constituents of Council District 7 who work in Palisades and other communities that have been burned by the wildfires in January 2025 suffering income losses.

I FURTHER MOVE that the City Clerk be instructed and authorized to prepare, process and execute the necessary documents with and/or payments to ICON CDC, or any other agency or organization, as appropriate, utilizing the above amount, for the above purpose, subject to the approval of the City Attorney as to form.

I FURTHER MOVE that the City Clerk be authorized to make any corrections, clarifications or revisions to the above fund transfer instructions, including any new instructions, in order to effectuate the intent of this Motion, and including any corrections and changes to fund or account numbers; said corrections / clarifications / changes may be made orally, electronically or by any other means.

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PRESENTED

MONICA RODRIGUEZ

Councilwoman, 7th District



The Los Angeles Fire Department (LAFD) maintains a relentless commitment to operational effectiveness. In 2023, a Standards of Cover (SOC) analysis (Board of Fire Commissioners Report 23-055) that was requested to be analyzed in the context of the City's budget (Council File 23-0332) was presented to the Council to measure the effectiveness of the LAFD deployment model. This SOC focused on Emergency Medical Service (EMS) deployment through the years 2018-2020.

A second SOC was recently completed in partnership with the International Association of Fire Fighters (IAFF). This SOC provides a broad analysis of LAFD response during 2018-2022 in comparison to National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) standard 1710 and offers incremental steps to improve the effectiveness of resource deployment.

Given the recent emergency due to the firestorm, the City must push towards compliance with the SOCs and the guidance in the studies when it comes to focusing on the optimization of sworn resource deployment and addressing Citywide fire suppression and emergency medical needs.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Los Angeles Fire Department (LAFD) be instructed to report with an update on the City's compliance with the Standards of Cover analysis, and the City meeting the guidance and specifications under the International Association of Fire Fighters Standards of Cover.

I FURTHER MOVE that the LAFD and the City Administrative Officer (CAO) report on available county, state, or federal funding that may be available for the restoration of fire stations or services.

PRESENTED BY:

TIM McOSKER

Councilmember, 15th District

SECONDED BY: Hair Par



The recent wildfires around the Los Angeles region have killed at least 28 people, destroyed more than 15,000 structures, and burned around 63 square miles of land. The largest of them, the Palisades Fire and the Eaton Fire continue to burn today. Wildfire mitigation measures generally involve reducing the risk of fire and managing vegetation. Risk reduction is generally accomplished by building or renovating with the use of non-combustible materials and designing landscapes that are defensible against wildfires.

Vegetation management involves tree pruning and removal, brush removal, and weed abatement. This is commonly done around electrical infrastructure, though clearings in vegetation are also made in the wilderness in what are called "fire breaks," to slow—or ideally halt—an active wildfire by denying it fuel to burn. Another form of vegetation management is "prescribed fires" (also known as "controlled burns") to clear an area of fuel ahead of anticipated wildfire conditions, such as the Santa Ana winds.

Under Los Angeles Municipal Code Section 57.322, the presence of uncontrolled hazardous vegetation presents an increased danger of fire and thus constitutes a public nuisance. Where such a condition exists, the Los Angeles Fire Department (LAFD), after notifying the property owner, may enter the property to remove or otherwise eliminate the nuisance. Annually, the Los Angeles Fire Department and Board of Fire Commissioners propose decisions and recommendations for brush clearance assessment appeals. Appellants may appeal decisions by the Board of Fire Commissioners to the City Council, and they have been notified of their right to appear before the Public Safety Committee.

The extent to which the City can undergo a more proactive approach to brush clearance throughout the year, ensuring more aggressive vegetation management, would greatly enhance our fire mitigation efforts.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the City Council instruct the Los Angeles Fire Department (LAFD) to report on the feasibility of developing and implementing a proactive, semi-annual brush clearance program or process that goes beyond the established procedures, complies with State law, and meets local needs to mitigate the impact of future wildfires. This program or process would need to include brush clearance compliance for both private and public properties.

I FURTHER MOVE that the City Council instruct the LAFD and the City Administrative Officer to report on additional resources needed that would ensure timeliness and consistent enforcement of brush clearance rules.

11. M/E

TIM McOSKER

Councilmember, 15th District

JOHN LEE

Councilmember, 12th District

SECONDED BY:

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As the City faces significant fiscal challenges, with shortfalls that are projected to continue through 2028, it is crucial to explore any and all solutions that can alleviate some of the budgetary pressures, including reassessing existing revenue generating programs.

Since 2006, the Department of Transportation (LADOT) has contracted for transit vehicle advertising services to provide additional revenue for the Department's operations. In March 2017, Council approved a five-year contract, and in April 2022, an amendment was approved to extend the term. In December 2023, LADOT released a new Request for Proposals (RFP) to procure advertising services; the deadline to receive responses was February 2024. In August 2024, the current contract was extended for a period not to exceed March 2025 (CF 11-2007-S1).

Given that Los Angeles is the second largest media market in the nation, the City should review its existing transit vehicle advertising services to ensure that all opportunities to generate and increase revenue are considered, as well as explore new and innovative advertising options.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the City Council instruct the Department of Transportation to report on the current transit vehicle advertising contract, including:

- The status of the current contract and the Request for Proposals that was issued in 2023;
- The current number of transit vehicles with advertising, the types of advertising on these vehicles (interior/exterior), and the amount of revenue generated over the past the last five years;
- A comparison of the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority's bus advertising program and potential partnership opportunities; and
- An evaluation of transit vehicle advertising programs in other comparable jurisdictions that could be applied to the City.

PRESENTED BY:

HEATHER HUTT

Councilmember, 10th District

SECONDED BY:

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Horse keeping has a long and storied tradition in the city of Los Angeles, from the Vaquero (cowboy) traditions of the San Fernando Valley's early rancho days, to the Western movies and Television shows that were filmed on location throughout the San Fernando Valley; particularly in the communities of Chatsworth, Lake View Terrace, Shadow Hills, and Sylmar. It is a way of life that must be protected and preserved. The rights of property owners to keep horses in these historic areas has been facilitated through 'K' Overlay zones, which reserve development in the rear portion of properties for animal keeping in order to keep them a distance from habitable structures. Previous City policies that aimed to balance preservation of equestrian areas have now been impeded by certain state housing laws. The goal of protecting property owners in abutting properties who keep horses and those constructing additional housing requires consistent and nonconflicting policies.

Responsive to state law, the City Council adopted Ordinance No. 186481 regulating Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs) and Junior Accessory Dwelling Units (Council File No. 16-1468), as most recently clarified by Zoning Administrator Memorandum No. 143 (together, ADU Ordinance). The ADU Ordinance permits ADUs in all zones where residential uses are permitted by-right—wherein no discretionary approval is allowed. The Development Standards of the ADU Ordinance include specific setback requirements of no more than 4 feet from the side and rear lot lines be required for ADUs. The reduced setbacks for ADUs can often bring them within the required 75-foot buffer from neighboring equine structures, put in place to regulate residential proximity to animal structures. Community members have been fined because of these series of inconsistent policy changes. These policies need to be reconciled to allow for the continued ability for the equestrian community to thrive, while also prioritizing the construction of much needed housing.

State law prevents making ADU ordinances more restrictive than state guidelines, which focus on increasing the supply of housing stock. However, the long established horse keeping areas are a driving reason people have located there, requiring a resolution that enables equine structures and ADUs to safely coexist.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Council instruct the Department of City Planning and the Department of Building and Safety, in consultation with the City Attorney, and Animal Services to prepare a report with recommendations to revise Los Angeles Municipal Code sections, including but not limited to, Sections 11.5.7, 12.21, 12.22, 12.24, 13.05, and their respective Ch1A sections, as needed and as necessary to address the following:

- Amending the existing 75-foot buffer to 35-feet. This is supported by a 35-foot health and safety barrier established by Los Angeles County.
- Establishing a Conditional Use Permit process for new animal keeping structures on properties unable to comply with distancing requirements where ADUs are present.
- Grandfathering equine structures in Equine-Keeping 'K' Overlay districts.
- Clarifying the enforcement responsibilities of the relevant departments.

PRESENTED BY

MONICA RODRIGUEZ

Councilwoman, 7th District



Horse keeping areas in the city of Los Angeles follow many specific practices and ordinances tailored to ensuring the wellbeing of their horses and copacetic relationship to the community they are located in. Land use regulations governing where horse stables are located within a property have been outlined clearly with the creation of 'K' Overlay Zones. The large quantity of equipment associated with horsekeeping has led to different types of storage containers being used in the field. However, existing City Code does not allow for these types of storage containers anywhere citywide. Equestrian property owners have expressed a need to enable this type of storage on their property. The 'K' Overlay Zone, and its unique characteristics as horse keeping area, make it an appropriate geographic limitation for allowing these containers.

It is of the utmost importance that the City adopt development standards that include land use regulatory controls for horse keeping storage facilities, inasmuch as there are no existing permitting pathways.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Council instruct the Planning Department, with the assistance of the Department of Building and Safety, and in consultation with the City Attorney, to prepare and present a report with recommendations, and corresponding proposed ordinance to establish development standards that enable the use of storage containers for the purposes of equestrian equipment storage in the 'K' Overlay Zones. The ordinance should include, but not limited to, the definition of Equestrian Equipment Storage Container, setback requirements, a prohibition of stacking containers, and standards for locating them on properties.

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MONICA RODRIGUEZ

Councilwoman, 7th District



The scale of the devastation caused by the January 2025 Windstorm and Wildfire events requires a well-coordinated and strategic involvement of all levels of government to ensure the most expedient and efficient deployment of services.

Wildfires can dramatically alter the landscape, destroying homes, infrastructure, and natural features that make property boundaries more noticeable. Land surveying will be an important step in beginning to rebuild after cleanup takes place. However, various public agencies currently collaborating on fire response and recovery have a role in the process and the capable specialists that can complete the task. Without clear procedures, confusion could arise among surveyors, emergency responders, and property owners about what needs to be surveyed, who is responsible for each task, and how to handle the large scale of affected areas. Defined roles and protocols will help streamline the process, ensuring that critical areas are prioritized, and that resources are used efficiently.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Bureau of Engineering, in consultation with the Los Angeles County Department of Public Works, be directed to establish roles and protocols as it relates to providing land surveys of the properties affected by the January 2025 Windstorm and Wildfire event and report back to Council. This report should also include associated costs for staffing and/or contractual services necessary to execute the City's responsibilities in this process.

I FURTHER MOVE that the City Administrative Officer be instructed to include the costs associated with these processes for reimbursements from FEMA.

PRESENTE

MONICA RODRIGUEZ

Councilwoman, 7th District

RULES, ELECTIONS, INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS



RESOLUTION

ADHOC RECOVERY

WHEREAS, the recent wildfires in California have destroyed thousands of homes, leaving many residents without shelter while still responsible for mortgage payments, taxes, land rent, and other costs associated with properties that may take years to repair or rebuild; and

WHEREAS, many of these individuals, despite being displaced, are still tied to their communities by employment or other ties, and now face the additional hardship of finding housing in one of the tightest housing markets in the nation; and

WHEREAS, following other natural disasters, corporate investors, with deep financial resources, are taking or could take advantage of this crisis by purchasing multiple fire-damaged properties, capturing long-term profits while fire victims struggle to rebuild their lives; and

WHEREAS, homeowners, unable to return to their properties, may be forced to sell their homes, often at a loss, to escape the mounting expenses, leaving them further vulnerable to being exploited by these investors; and

WHEREAS, large equity firms that acquire these properties have an incentive to renovate and either rent them at exorbitant prices or sell them at inflated rates, worsening the housing affordability crisis by reducing competition in an already strained housing market; and

WHEREAS, similar circumstances have arisen in other disaster-impacted areas, such as Maui following the 2023 wildfires, where the concentration of homeownership by corporate investors raised concerns about long-term housing affordability, prompting consideration of legislative actions to curb such practices; and

WHEREAS, the City Council believes it is essential that the State of California act decisively to prevent predatory interests from profiting off victims of natural disasters and exploiting tragic circumstances for profit which further victimizes those that have already suffered unimaginable loss; and

WHEREAS, the City Council expresses its sincere appreciation to Governor Gavin Newsom for his leadership and prompt action to protect fire victims from predatory real estate practices, ensuring that vulnerable residents are not taken advantage of by corporate investors seeking to profit from the devastation caused by wildfires; and

WHEREAS, the City of Los Angeles recognizes the importance of this action and the need for continued efforts to implement long-term solutions to prevent the monopolistic concentration of nomecomparship in fire-impacted areas:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that by the adoption of this Resolution, the City of Los Angeles hereby includes in its 2025-2026 State Legislative Program SUPPORT and/or SPONSORSHIP for any legislation that prevents the monopolistic concentration of homeownership in fire-damaged areas and encourages recovery efforts that prioritize the needs of families over the interests of large investors.

PRESENTED BY:

ADRIN NAZARIAN

Councilmember, 2nd District

TRACI PARK

Councilwoman, 11th District