

**Los Angeles City Council, Journal/Council Proceeding  
Friday, September 19, 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: Harris-Dawson, Hernandez, Hutt, Lee, Jurado, McOsker, Nazarian, Padilla, Park, Price Jr., Raman, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (13); Absent: Blumenfield, Rodriguez (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) **15-1207-S1  
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ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT (EIR), ADDENDA, and CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) FINDINGS; ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND JOBS and BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEES' REPORTS relative to the Los Angeles Convention Center (LACC) Expansion and Modernization Project.

A. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND JOBS COMMITTEE  
REPORT

SUBMITS WITHOUT RECOMMENDATION the following  
recommendations of the City Administrative Officer (CAO)

reports dated August 22, 2025 and August 29, 2025, attached to the Council file:

1. To move forward with an Expansion and Modernization of the Los Angeles Convention Center, the Council should:
  - a. FIND that, based on the independent judgment of the decision-maker, after consideration of the whole of the administrative record, the project was assessed in the previously certified Convention and Event Center Project EIR No. ENV-2011-585-EIR, certified in October 2012; and, pursuant to CEQA Guidelines, Sections 15162 and 15164 and the First Addendum and Joint Analysis, dated December 2021, and Second Addendum, dated August 2025, that no major revisions to the EIR are required and no subsequent EIR is required for approval of the project.
  - b. APPROVE total Project Costs of up to \$2.72 billion, inclusive of up to \$82.4 million for preconstruction costs, up to \$2,035 billion for design and construction, a Developer Fee of up to \$35 million, and up to \$566 million for City-Retained Costs.
  - c. ACCEPT the August 16, 2025 Committed Proposals received from AEG Plenary Conventions Los Angeles, LLC (APCLA), including the Firm Fixed Price (FFP) and Baseline Project Schedule (Schedule), as revised by APCLA's submission on August 28, 2025, including the Olympic Readiness Deadline of March 31, 2028; and, INSTRUCT, REQUEST, and AUTHORIZE the necessary City departments to take any and all actions in furtherance of the LACC Expansion and Modernization Project, including without limitation the negotiation and execution of any document necessary to implement the partial release/modification of Anschutz Entertainment Group Rights referenced in the CAO Addendum report dated August 29, 2025, attached to the Council file.

d. AUTHORIZE by Resolution, subject to allocation by the Board of Civil Service Commissioners and pay grade determination by the CAO, Employee Relations Division, the following 25 positions, to be employed in the Bureau of Engineering (BOE), Bureau of Contract Administration (BCA), Los Angeles Fire Department (LAFD), Board of Public Works (BPW), Office of Accounting (OOA), and CAO for technical, administrative, and other support staff for the Los Angeles Convention Center Expansion and Modernization Project, for the period of September 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026, to be funded from the Municipal Improvement Corporation of Los Angeles (MICLA) Lease Revenue Bonds to finance this Project, identified below by department, number of position(s), Class Code, and Class Title:

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BOE; 1; 1116-0; Secretary  
BOE; 1; 7927-0; Senior Architect  
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CAO; 1; 1541-2; Senior Administrative Analyst II

e. AUTHORIZE City Administrative Officer to activate Substitute Authorities as needed for positions

authorized upon the adoption of the 2025-26 budget and the positions recommended within said CAO report dated August 22, 2025 for the BOE and the BPW, OOA to expedite hiring for positions which have not been allocated by the Civil Service Commission and the new positions approved in this report, as necessary for technical, administrative, and other support staff for the LACC Expansion and Modernization Project, for the period of September 1, 2025 through January 30, 2026, to be funded from the Municipal Improvement Corporation of Los Angeles (MICLA) Lease Revenue Bonds to finance this Project.

f. AUTHORIZE the CAO to make technical corrections as necessary to those transactions included in this report to implement Council and Mayor intentions.

2. Should the Council decide to not proceed with an Expansion and Modernization of the LACC, the Council should:

a. INSTRUCT the CAO and the CLA to terminate all work on the LACC Expansion and Modernization Project with AEG Plenary Conventions Los Angeles, LLC, including the Early Works Agreement as well as contracts for financial advisor, legal, project management, and other contracting services held by the CAO, BOE, and the City Attorney.

## B. BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

Recommendations for Council action:

INSTRUCT the City Administrative Officer (CAO) and the Chief Legislative Analyst (CLA), with the support of other City departments to:

a. Close out all activities associated with the current LACC Expansion project plan.

- b. Use the City's investment in the Early Works Agreement to evaluate and report back within 30 days with deferred maintenance on the existing footprint Convention Center, upgrades necessary and appropriate to bring the LACC into the 21st Century, including technology and accessibility, with options that can be completed prior to March 2028, and a competitive bidding process to select project delivery partners (the "Convention Center Modernization Project"). This LACC Modernization Project scope of work should include: major activities, such as installation of Figueroa-facing Digital Signage and installation of Freeway-facing Digital Signage to the degree allowed by law; renovation of Gilbert Lindsay Plaza; implementation of electrical system improvements to ensure adequate electrical service to an expanded LACC and enhanced signage program; focused improvements such as ADA improvements in the West Hall and South Hall; cosmetic upgrades to enhance the visitor experience; elevator and escalator improvements; replacement of West Hall airwalls; repair/replacement of existing Fire Pump systems; upgrades to the South Hall Smoke Control System; replacement of existing facility BIMS controls; and other facility upgrades.
- c. Identify and report back within 30 days on any infrastructure improvements needed to support the LACC Modernization Project, including utility upgrades to support the project, and a plan to initiate and complete those improvements at the earliest possible date, with all work to be completed no later than March 2028.
- d. Identify and report back within 30 days on any additional actions necessary to reduce risks and deliver the LACC Modernization Project ahead of the 2028 Olympic and Paralympic Games.
- e. Instruct the CAO, with support of the CLA, BOE, and the City Tourism Department, to report within 30 days with an expenditure plan to fund the LACC Modernization Project.
- f. Evaluate and report back within 120 days on options to initiate a new Request for Proposals (RFP) for an

Expansion project that would expand the footprint of the existing LACC upon conclusion of the 2028 Games; and, consider and report back on other options for the Convention Center site that would maximize the site's positive economic impacts on the Downtown Los Angeles and greater regional economy; the report should include an evaluation of potential closure of Pico Boulevard instead of a bridge; housing and/or hotels on the Convention Center site.

Community Impact Statement: Yes

For, if Amended: Downtown Los Angeles Neighborhood Council

**(Personnel and Hiring Committee waived consideration of the above matter)**

**Adopted Motion 15E (Padilla – Park – Hernandez) Forthwith - SEE ATTACHED  
Ayes: Harris-Dawson, Hernandez, Hutt, Jurado, Lee, McOsker, Nazarian, Padilla, Park, Price Jr., Raman, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (13); Nays: (0); Absent: Blumenfield, Rodriguez (2)**

**Adopted Motion 15D (Harris-Dawson – et al. – Jurado) as Amended by Motion 15C (Jurado – Price) - SEE ATTACHED  
Ayes: Harris-Dawson, Hernandez, Hutt, Jurado, Lee, McOsker, Nazarian, Padilla, Park, Price Jr., Soto-Martínez (11); Nays: Raman, Yaroslavsky (2); Absent: Blumenfield, Rodriguez (2)**

**Adopted Item Urgent Forthwith - SEE ATTACHED  
Ayes: Harris-Dawson, Hernandez, Hutt, Jurado, Lee, McOsker, Nazarian, Padilla, Park, Price Jr., Raman, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (13); Nays: (0); Absent: Blumenfield, Rodriguez (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 CALL**

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

**Whereupon the Council did adjourn.**

ATTEST: Petty F. Santos, INTERIM CITY CLERK

By

Council Clerk

PRESIDENT OF THE CITY COUNCIL

MOTION

I **MOVE** that the matter of ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT (EIR), ADDENDA, and CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) FINDINGS; ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND JOBS and BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEES' REPORTS relative to the Los Angeles Convention Center (LACC) Expansion and Modernization Project, Item No. 15 on today's Special Agenda (CF 15-1207-S1), **BE AMENDED** to add the following instruction:

Direct the City Administrative Officer (CAO) to ensure that no agreement the City has entered into or enters into in the future, with AEG, APCLA, or any other entity, prohibits the sale of naming rights to the Los Angeles Convention Center or any particular portions or features of the Convention Center, or prohibits any other form of potentially revenue-generating corporate or philanthropic partnership or sponsorship. Should any agreements the City has previously entered into be found to prohibit or limit those activities, the CAO is directed to renegotiate those terms.

PRESENTED BY: Ysabel Jurado  
YSABEL JURADO  
Councilmember, 14<sup>th</sup> District

SECONDED BY: [Signature]

**ORIGINAL**



## M O T I O N

I MOVE that the matter of the Environmental Impact Report (EIR), Addenda, and California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Findings; Economic Development and Jobs and Budget and Finance Committees' reports, Item No. 15 on today's Special Council Agenda (CF 15-1207-S1), **BE APPROVED** with the following recommendations from the City Administrative Officer (CAO) reports dated August 22, 2025, August 29, 2025 and September 19, 2025:

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**\*Motion (McOsker - Harris-Dawson)**

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2. RECEIVE and FILE the Budget and Finance Committee Report dated September 16, 2025.
3. INSTRUCT the City Administrative Officer, in consultation with the Mayor's Office, and in coordination with the Chief Legislative Analyst, Chief Tourism Officer, and the General Manager of the Bureau of Engineering, to report back immediately on the designation and installation of a City Project Executive or Project Manager. This position shall be charged with direct responsibility for cross-departmental coordination, strict adherence to project schedules, and comprehensive accountability. The City Project Executive or Project Manager shall be required to provide weekly written or oral updates to both the Mayor's Office and the City Council, ensuring full transparency, continuous monitoring of milestones, and the immediate elevation of any concerns related to delays or cost overages.


PRESENTED BY:



MARQUEECE HARRIS-DAWSON  
Council President, 8th District



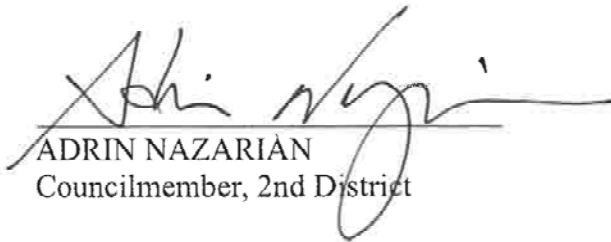
TIM McOSKER  
Councilmember, 15th District



HEATHER HUTT  
Councilmember, 10th District



CURREN D. PRICE, JR.  
Councilmember, 9th District



ADRIN NAZARIAN  
Councilmember, 2nd District

SECONDED BY:



ORIGINAL

**MOTION**

I HEREBY MOVE that Council INSTRUCT the City Administrative Officer and the Chief Legislative Analyst to:

1. Provide quarterly reports tracking local hire compliance for the Los Angeles Convention Center Expansion and Modernization Project.
2. Ensure that in the event of a labor-shortage, our contractor will use the "Hiring Hall Agreement" to supplement the workforce.

PRESENTED BY \_\_\_\_\_  
IMELDA PADILLA  
Councilmember, 6th District

SECONDED BY \_\_\_\_\_  
TRACI PARK  
Councilmember, 11th District

SECONDED BY \_\_\_\_\_  
EUNISSES HERNANDEZ  
Councilmember, 1st District

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