Los Angeles City Council, Journal/Council Proceeding
Wednesday, September 2, 2026
JOHN FERRARO COUNCIL CHAMBER ROOM 340, CITY HALL 200 NORTH SPRING STREET, LOS ANGELES, CA 90012 - 10:00 AM

(For further details see Official Council Files)

(For communications referred by the President see Referral Memorandum)

Roll Call

Members Present: Blumenfield, Hernandez, Lee, McOsker, Nazarian, Park, Raman, Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (10); Absent: Harris-Dawson, Hutt, Jurado, Padilla, Price Jr.(5)

Approval of the Minutes

Commendatory Resolutions, Introductions and Presentations - SEE ATTACHED

Multiple Agenda Item Comment

Public Testimony of Non-agenda Items Within Jurisdiction of Council

Items for which Public Hearings Have Been Held

(1) **21-1039-S4**

ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the Year-1 Existing Municipal Building Decarbonization Workbook report.

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

1. APPROVE the framework for existing building decarbonization through electrification and promulgation of solar and battery energy storage systems in the City's existing municipal buildings, as outlined in the "Los Angeles Existing Building Decarbonization Workplan" Report objectives (Attachment No.

1 of the Municipal Facilities Committee (MFC) report dated April 3, 2026, attached to the Council file), subject to an annual review of projects and budget approval by the MFC.

2. RECEIVE AND FILE the current "Year-1 Existing Municipal Building Decarbonization Workbook" report (Attachment No. 2 of said MFC report).

3. INSTRUCT the Bureau of Engineering (BOE) to revise and report with a "Revised Year-1 Existing Municipal Building Decarbonization Workbook", with the understanding of the target workplan completion date of 2045.

4. INSTRUCT the BOE to report annually to the MFC on the status of the decarbonization workplan implementation and seek approval for the future year workbook.

5. INSTRUCT all Council-controlled departments to work with their respective maintenance providers (i.e., Department of General Services (GSD) or Department of Recreation and Parks (RAP)) to participate in and implement the transition of gas-powered assets as outlined in the Workplan, with the understanding that departments may need to accommodate downtime during construction including BOE, GSD, and RAP to develop proactive equipment replacement processes that account for emergency failures.

6. AUTHORIZE the Controller to establish a new account within the BOE Special Services Fund No. 682/50 titled, "Decarbonization Rebates," and AUTHORIZE the BOE to collect rebates and incentives in this account, subject to the appropriation of the Council and the Mayor.

7. AUTHORIZE the City Engineer or designee to make technical corrections to the recommendations to effectuate the intent of the Council.

8. AUTHORIZE the City Engineer or designee, with concurrence from the MFC, to evaluate and make adjustments as needed to

the project list in the case of an unforeseen condition requiring a change of facilities.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The MFC reports that there is no General Fund impact as a result of the recommended actions to approve the framework of the decarbonization plan.

Community Impact Statement: Yes

For:
Westside Neighborhood Council

Adopted Item
Ayes: Blumenfield, Hernandez, Jurado, Lee, McOsker, Nazarian, Park, Raman, Rodriguez, Yaroslavsky (10); Nays: (0); Absent: Harris-Dawson, Hutt, Padilla, Price Jr., Soto-Martínez (5)

(2) **24-1200-S26**

PLANNING AND LAND USE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the reappointment of David Phelps to the North Valley Area Planning Commission (NVAPC) for the term ending June 30, 2031.

Recommendation for Council action:

RESOLVE that the Mayor's reappointment of David Phelps to the NVAPC for the term ending June 30, 2031, is APPROVED and CONFIRMED. Appointee resides in Council District 12. (Current composition: M = 4; F = 1)

Financial Disclosure Statement: Filed

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

TIME LIMIT FILE - SEPTEMBER 18, 2026

(LAST DAY FOR COUNCIL ACTION - SEPTEMBER 18, 2026)

Adopted Item
Ayes: Blumenfield, Hernandez, Jurado, Lee, McOsker, Nazarian, Park, Raman, Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (11); Nays: (0); Absent: Harris-Dawson, Hutt, Padilla, Price Jr. (4)

(3) **26-1200-S39**

PLANNING AND LAND USE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the appointment of Victor Jones to the Cultural Heritage Commission (CHC) for the term ending June 30, 2031.

Recommendation for Council action:

RESOLVE that the Mayor's appointment of Victor Jones to the CHC for the term ending June 30, 2031, is APPROVED and CONFIRMED. Appointee resides in Council District 10. Appointee will fill the vacancy created by the departure of Richard Barron. (Current composition: M = 2; F = 3)

Financial Disclosure Statement: Filed

Background Check: Pending

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

TIME LIMIT FILE - SEPTEMBER 13, 2026

(LAST DAY FOR COUNCIL ACTION - SEPTEMBER 11, 2026)

Adopted Item
Ayes: Blumenfield, Hernandez, Jurado, Lee, McOsker, Nazarian, Park, Raman, Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (11); Nays: (0); Absent: Harris-Dawson, Hutt, Padilla, Price Jr. (4)

(4) **26-1200-S51**

PLANNING AND LAND USE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the appointment of Nick Gaines to the South Valley Area Planning Commission (SVAPC) for the term ending June 30, 2031.

Recommendation for Council action:

RESOLVE that the Mayor's appointment of Nick Gaines to the SVAPC for the term ending June 30, 2031, is APPROVED and CONFIRMED. Appointee resides in Council District Six. Appointee will fill the vacancy created by the departure of Lisa Karadjian. (Current composition: M = 2; F = 3)

Financial Disclosure Statement: Filed

Background Check: Pending

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

TIME LIMIT FILE - SEPTEMBER 28, 2026

(LAST DAY FOR COUNCIL ACTION - SEPTEMBER 22, 2026)

Adopted Item
Ayes: Blumenfield, Hernandez, Jurado, Lee, McOsker, Nazarian, Park, Raman, Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (11); Nays: (0); Absent: Harris-Dawson, Hutt, Padilla, Price Jr. (4)

(5) **26-1200-S44**

PLANNING AND LAND USE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the reappointment of Mona Sutton to the Harbor Area Planning Commission (HAPC) for the term ending June 30, 2031.

Recommendation for Council action:

RESOLVE that the Mayor's reappointment of Mona Sutton to the HAPC for the term ending June 30, 2031, is APPROVED and CONFIRMED. Appointee resides in Council District 15. (Current composition: M = 2; F = 3)

Financial Disclosure Statement: Filed

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

TIME LIMIT FILE - SEPTEMBER 18, 2026

(LAST DAY FOR COUNCIL ACTION - SEPTEMBER 18, 2026)

Adopted Item
Ayes: Blumenfield, Hernandez, Jurado, Lee, McOsker, Nazarian, Park, Raman, Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (11); Nays: (0); Absent: Harris-Dawson, Hutt, Padilla, Price Jr. (4)

(6) **26-1200-S43**

PLANNING AND LAND USE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the reappointment of Lisa Waltz Morocco to the West Los Angeles Area Planning Commission (WLAAPC) for the term ending June 30, 2031.

Recommendation for Council action:

RESOLVE that the Mayor's reappointment of Lisa Waltz Morocco to the WLAAPC for the term ending June 30, 2031, is APPROVED and CONFIRMED. Appointee resides in Council District Five. (Current composition: M = 3; F = 2)

Financial Disclosure Statement: Filed

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

TIME LIMIT FILE - SEPTEMBER 18, 2026

(LAST DAY FOR COUNCIL ACTION - SEPTEMBER 18, 2026)

Adopted Item
Ayes: Blumenfield, Hernandez, Jurado, Lee, McOsker, Nazarian, Park, Raman, Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (11); Nays: (0); Absent: Harris-Dawson, Hutt, Padilla, Price Jr. (4)

(7) **26-1200-S46**

PLANNING AND LAND USE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the reappointment of Caroline Choe to the Los Angeles City Planning Commission (LACPC) for the term ending June 30, 2031.

Recommendation for Council action:

RESOLVE that the Mayor's reappointment of Caroline Choe to the LACPC for the term ending June 30, 2031, is APPROVED and CONFIRMED. Appointee resides in Council District Seven. (Current composition: M = 2; F = 7)

Financial Disclosure Statement: Pending

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

TIME LIMIT FILE - SEPTEMBER 18, 2026

(LAST DAY FOR COUNCIL ACTION - SEPTEMBER 18, 2026)

Adopted Item
Ayes: Blumenfield, Hernandez, Jurado, Lee, McOsker, Nazarian, Park, Raman, Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (11); Nays: (0); Absent: Harris-Dawson, Hutt, Padilla, Price Jr. (4)

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

(8) **26-0838**

CONTINUED CONSIDERATION OF PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the proposed contract template for future Official Police Garage (OPG) towing and storage agreements.

Recommendation for Council action:

AUTHORIZE the Board of Police Commissioners to utilize the proposed contract template for future Official Police Garage (OPG) agreements, subject to minor revisions and formatting updates by staff.

Fiscal Impact Statement: Neither the City Administrative Officer nor the Chief Legislative Analyst has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

(Continued from Council meeting date of August 25, 2026.)

Adopted Item
Ayes: Blumenfield, Hernandez, Jurado, Lee, McOsker, Nazarian, Park, Raman, Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (11); Nays: (0); Absent: Harris-Dawson, Hutt, Padilla, Price Jr. (4)

(9) **26-1208**

MOTION (SOTO-MARTINEZ - JURADO) relative to funding for services in connection with the Council District 13 Special observation

of the World Tuberculosis Day on March 24, 2026, at City Hall, including the illumination of City Hall.

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

TRANSFER and APPROPRIATE $438 from the Council's portion of the Special Events line item in the Council District Community Services line item, Fund No. 000713 to the General Services Fund No. 100/40, Account No. 1100 (Hiring Hall), for services in connection with the Council District 13 Special observation of the World Tuberculosis Day on March 24, 2026, at City Hall, including the illumination of City Hall.

Adopted Item
Ayes: Blumenfield, Hernandez, Jurado, Lee, McOsker, Nazarian, Park, Raman, Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (11); Nays: (0); Absent: Harris-Dawson, Hutt, Padilla, Price Jr. (4)

(10) **26-1209**

MOTION (SOTO-MARTINEZ - RAMAN) relative to funding for services in connection with the Council District 13 Special Observation of the 2026 LA is For Everyone on September 25, 2026, at City Hall, including the illumination of City Hall.

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

TRANSFER and APPROPRIATE $438 from the Council's portion of the Special Events line item in the Council District Community Services line item, Fund No. 000713 to the General Services Fund No. 100/40, Account No. 1100 (Hiring Hall), for services in connection with the Council District 13 Special Observation of the 2026 LA is For Everyone on September 25, 2026, at City Hall, including the illumination of City Hall.

Adopted Item
Ayes: Blumenfield, Hernandez, Jurado, Lee, McOsker, Nazarian, Park, Raman, Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (11); Nays: (0); Absent: Harris-Dawson, Hutt, Padilla, Price Jr. (4)

(11) **26-1211**
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MOTION (PRICE - BLUMENFIELD) relative to extending the Right of Entry Permit (REP) for a longer term and to execute a three (3) year

zero-dollar lease for Centre for Applied Ecological Remediation (CAER) to study bioremediation using beneficial plants and fungi to treat soil contaminants

Recommendations for Council action:

1. INSTRUCT the General Manager, Los Angeles Housing Department (LAHD), or designee, to negotiate a nonprofit lease with CAER for the use of City-owned properties as a site for a pilot bioremediation study. The subject properties are located at 5888, 5900, 5904, 5908, and 5910 Crocker Street, Los Angeles, CA 90003, with Assessor Parcel Numbers: 6006-030-901 and 6006-030-902. The lease term shall commence on September 26, 2026, and continue for three (3) years ending on September 26, 2029. The lease shall include the City's unilateral right to terminate the agreement at any time, upon notice to the tenant, to facilitate the future development of affordable housing on the Property.

2. INSTRUCT the City Administrative Officer (CAO), or designee, with the assistance of LAHD and the Bureau of Sanitation (LASAN) Citywide Brownfields Program, to complete a Community Benefit Analysis for the proposed nonprofit lease with CAER, which analysis shall be represented, along with all relevant material lease terms proposed by LAHD, for City Council approval within 60 days.

3. FIND, that pursuant to Los Angeles City Charter Section 371(e)(10) and Los Angeles Administrative Code Section 10.15(a)(10), that the use of competitive bidding for the lease of the subject property is neither practicable nor advantageous to the City for the following reasons.

    a. The CAER will conduct bioremediation of these properties at no cost to the City. They have done a similar no-cost phytoremediation process at another City-owned property at 5867 South Wall Street (aka, Slauson and Wall site).

    b. The property is currently vacant and designated for future affordable housing development. In the absence of an interim occupant responsible for the maintenance and

oversight of the site, the Property may become vulnerable to vandalism, illegal dumping, trespassing, and other nuisance activities that could lead to deterioration of the site and result in increased maintenance, remediation, and security costs to the City.

Adopted Item
Ayes: Blumenfield, Hernandez, Jurado, Lee, McOsker, Nazarian, Park, Raman, Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (11); Nays: (0); Absent: Harris-Dawson, Hutt, Padilla, Price Jr. (4)

(12) **26-1014**

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CITY ATTORNEY and ORDINANCE FIRST CONSIDERATION relative to repealing Section 55.14 of Article 5, Chapter V of the Los Angeles Municipal Code; and the case entitled Thomas Lopez, et al. v. City of Los Angeles, et al., United States District Court Case No. 2:26-cv-06003.

Possible Council action, SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR:

PRESENT and ADOPT the accompanying ORDINANCE, dated August 27, 2026, repealing Section 55.14 of Article 5, Chapter V of the LAMC.

[The City Council may recess to Closed Session, pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1), to confer with its legal counsel relative to the case entitled Thomas Lopez, et al. v. City of Los Angeles, et al., United States District Court Case No. 2:26-cv-06003. (This matter arises from a challenge to Los Angeles Municipal Code Section 55.14.)]

Fiscal Impact Statement: None submitted by the City Attorney. Neither the City Administrative Officer nor the Chief Legislative Analyst has completed a financial analysis of this report.

(Public Safety Committee waived consideration of the above matter.)

Adopted Item; Ordinance held over for second reading on September 9, 2026
Ayes: Blumenfield, Hernandez, Jurado, Lee, McOsker, Nazarian, Park, Raman, Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (11); Nays: (0); Absent: Harris-Dawson,

Hutt, Padilla, Price Jr. (4)

(13) **26-1228**

MOTION (RODRIGUEZ - PARK, ET AL.) relative to requesting the Information Technology Agency (ITA) to provide an update on the status of the Channel 35 Request for Proposal (RFP) and associated contracts.

Recommendation for Council action:

INSTRUCT the ITA to provide an update on the status of the Channel 35 RFP and associated contracts.

Adopted Item as Amended by Amending Motion 13A (Rodriguez – Hernandez) as further amended by Motion (McOsker – Rodriguez) - SEE ATTACHED

Ayes: Blumenfield, Hernandez, Jurado, Lee, McOsker, Nazarian, Park, Raman, Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (11); Nays: (0); Absent: Harris-Dawson, Hutt, Padilla, Price Jr. (4)

Items Called Special

Motions for Posting and Referral

Council Members' Requests for Excuse from Attendance at Council Meetings

Adjourning Motions

Council Adjournment

ENDING ROLL CALL

Blumenfield, Hernandez, Jurado, Lee, McOsker, Nazarian, Park, Raman, Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (11); Absent: Harris-Dawson, Hutt, Padilla, Price Jr. (4)

Whereupon the Council did adjourn.

ATTEST: Patrice Y. Lattimore, CITY CLERK

By

Council Clerk PRESIDENT OF THE CITY COUNCIL

COMMENDATORY RESOLUTIONS

MOVED BY	SECONDED BY	NAME
LEE	ALL MEMBERS	WORLD POLIO DAY
McOSKER FOR HARRIS-DAWSON	PARK	LIEUTENANT II ELDRED DAY

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MOTION

I MOVE that the matter of the MOTION (RODRIGUEZ - PARK, ET AL.) relative to requesting the Information Technology Agency (ITA) to provide an update on the status of the Channel 35 Request for Proposal (RFP) and associated contracts, Item No. 13 on today's Council Agenda (Council File No.26-1228), BE AMENDED to adopt the following additional recommendation:

- Council DIRECT Information Technology Agency, with the assistance of the City Attorney, to report at the next Arts, Parks, and City Facility Committee on the employment status of the 41 previous contractor workers and how many transitioned to Squadron.
- Request the City Attorney, in closed session if necessary, to report on all options Council can take on the newly signed contract with Squadron.
- * **Request the City Attorney and the Bureau of Contract Administration, to report on compliance with the Worker Retention Ordinance of the Los Angeles Administrative Code.**

PRESENTED BY:

Monica Rodriguez

MONICA RODRIGUEZ
Councilwoman, 7th District

SECONDED BY:

Curren Armendy

***As further amended by friendly amendment from Councilmember McOsker**

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TO CITY CLERK FOR PLACEMENT ON NEXT REGULAR COUNCIL AGENDA TO BE POSTED #51

MOTION

I MOVE that **$1,000,000** from the AB1290 Fund No. 53P, Account No. 281213 (CD 13 Redevelopment Projects - Services) be transferred / appropriated to the below listed Accounts and in the amounts specified in the Street Lighting Fund No. 100-84 for a dedicated streetlight repair crew in Council District 13:

Account No.	Name	Amount
001100	Hiring Hall - Salaries	$ 408,889
001120	Hiring Hall - Benefits	327,111
001090	Salaries - Overtime	200,000
008780	Street Lighting Improvements and Supplies	40,000
006020	Operating Supplies & Expense	24,000
		$ 1,000,000

I FURTHER MOVE that the Bureau of Street Lighting 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.

PRESENTED BY: _____

HUGO SOTO-MARTÍNEZ
Councilmember, 13th District

SECONDED BY: _____

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CITY CLERK FOR PLACEMENT ON NEXT REGULAR COUNCIL AGENDA TO BE POSTED #52

MOTION

The Department of Recreation and Parks - Forestry Division, in partnership with the Porter Ranch Neighborhood Council, has agreed to conduct additional dead wood and brush removal from Limekiln Canyon, Wilbur-Tampa and Aliso Canyon Parks.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Council adopt the following actions:

1. Transfer / appropriate $7,500 from the AB 1290 Fund No. 53P, Account No. 281212 (CD 12 Redevelopment Projects - Services), to Recreation and Parks Fund No. 302, Dept. No. 89 and APPR NO. 89704H Deferred Maintenance - Porter Ranch, for the purpose of dead wood and brush removal in Council District 12 coordinated by the Porter Ranch Neighborhood Council.
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, including any corrections and changes to fund or account numbers; said corrections / clarifications / changes may be made orally, electronically or by any other means.

PRESENTED BY _____
JOHN S. LEE
Councilmember, 12th District

SECONDED BY _____

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TO CITY CLERK FOR PLACEMENT ON NEXT REGULAR COUNCIL AGENDA TO BE POSTED #53

MOTION

I MOVE that the City Council instruct the Department of General Services, in consultation with the City Attorney, to issue the appropriate Right of Entry permit, and any other necessary documents, to organizers/sponsors of the upcoming skateboarding event, JSG Athletics LLC, on the grounds of the West LA Municipal Building (1645 Corinth Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90025), including the West LA Courthouse Skate Plaza (1633 Purdue Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90025) on October 17, 2026.

PRESENTED BY: Traci Park
TRACI PARK
Councilmember, 11th District

SECONDED BY: Monica Rodriguez

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TO CITY CLERK FOR PLACEMENT ON NEXT REGULAR COUNCIL AGENDA TO BE POSTED #54

MOTION

As part of the Pavement Preservation Program, the Bureau of Street Services is responsible for constructing access ramps compliant with the Americans with Disabilities Act and for repairing concrete street panels across the City. Funding for this work is programmed and available within the SB1 Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Special Fund and Measure M Local Return Special Fund.

I THEREFORE MOVE that $4,455,000 be transferred/appropriated from the SB1 Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Special Fund No. 59V-50, Account No. 50CKJS (Pavement Preservation - Access Ramps) to Bureau of Street Services Fund No. 100-86 as follows for construction of access ramps Citywide:

- Account No. 001090 (Salaries, Overtime) - $1,400,000;
- Account No. 003030 (Construction Expense) - $1,100,000;
- Account No. 003040 (Contractual Services) - $1,400,000;
- Account No. 003090 (Field Equipment) - $25,000;
- Account No. 004430 (Uniform) - $30,000; and
- Account No. 006020 (Operating Supplies) - $500,000.

I FURTHER MOVE that $2,450,000.68 be transferred/appropriated from Measure M Fund 59C-94 and the SB1 Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Special Fund No. 59V-50 to Bureau of Street Services Fund No. 100-86 as follows for construction of concrete streets Citywide:

Transfer From:		**Transfer To:**	
Measure M Fund 59C-94		Bureau of Street Services Fund No. 100-86	
94WV02 (Concrete Streets)	$ 200,000	001010 (Salaries, General)	$ 110,033.68
		003030 (Construction Expense)	$ 89,966.32
SB1 Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Special Fund No. 59V-50		Bureau of Street Services Fund No. 100-86	
50CZDV (Concrete Streets)	$ 702,006.68	003030 (Construction Expense)	$ 310,033.68
		001120 (Hiring Hall Benefits)	$ 11,973
		003040 (Contractual Services)	$ 260,000
		003090 (Field Equipment)	$ 20,000
		006020 (Operating Supplies)	$ 100,000
50PC02 (Concrete Streets)	$ 880,006	001010 (Salaries, General)	$ 129,967
		001090 (Salaries, Overtime)	$ 750,039
50RC02 (Concrete Streets)	$455,782	001090 (Salaries, Overtime)	$455,782
50TC02 (Concrete Streets)	$ 212,206	001090 (Salaries, Overtime)	$ 212,206

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I FURTHER MOVE that the Bureau of Street Services 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.

PRESENTED BY: _____
EUNISSES HERNANDEZ
Councilmember, 1st District

SECONDED BY: _____

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PUBLIC SAFETY

MOTION

PUBLIC WORKS

As referenced in Council File 26-1169 The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration predicts there is a greater than 90% chance of a very strong or "super" El Niño event in the Northern Hemisphere in 2026-27, including California. The impacts of this complex cycle have already arrived in Los Angeles and are expected to peak from October to November.

A very strong El Niño event increases the likelihood of regional drought and flood events, along with extreme heat. In early February 2024, a citywide state of emergency was declared due to torrential rainfall that caused flooding, as well as utility and infrastructure failures, posing challenges to public safety. These challenges were especially significant in the hillside communities of Bel Air, Beverly Crest, and Beverly Glen, particularly when a house fell into the middle of a road. This experience demonstrated a clear crisis of inter-departmental communication that many other neighboring Council Districts experienced as well.

The City learned from these experiences. Preparing for all the impacts, but especially the increasing risk of severe precipitation in the coming months, is essential.

Additionally, many parts of the City experience systemic flooding during regular rain events, impacting accessibility for residents and businesses. While the Bureau of Sanitation has standing wet weather protocols, these should be updated to reflect the additional resources likely needed in an El Niño year.

In 2015, CF 15-0887-S1 directed the Emergency Management Department, the Department of Public Works, Los Angeles Fire Department and the Los Angeles Police Department, to prepare and present an El Niño Emergency Preparedness Plan for the city. Each department prepared and presented a comprehensive plan. Given the potential danger that El Niño storms pose to the City, especially due to exacerbated impacts from climate change, it is appropriate that all City departments take the necessary steps to update these emergency preparedness plans for multiple eventualities, such as flooding, mud and debris, to ensure the safety of all City residents.

It is equally as important that hillside communities and other areas subject to flooding, mudslides and debris, are provided the necessary information as they prepare for anticipated El Niño storms.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the City Council instruct the Emergency Management Department, in coordination with the Department of Public Works, Los Angeles Fire Department and Los Angeles Police Department, to prepare and present to Full

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Council an updated El Niño Emergency Preparedness Plans for the City of Los Angeles that also provides informational guidelines and instructional material to assist hillside property owners, and others, in their own preparation for potential flooding and mud/debris flows resulting from winter storms; such report to be submitted within 30 days, including what steps need to be taken before the arrival of the winter storm season, and the current state of City preparedness.

PRESENTED BY: _____
KATY YAROSLAVSKY
Councilwoman, 5th District

SECONDED BY: _____
for council president

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PUBLIC WORKS

MOTION

The Canoga Park Arts Hub is helping establish a vibrant cultural destination in the West Valley, bringing together the Madrid Theatre, Taxco Theatre, and the Canoga Park Youth Arts Center to create new opportunities for artists, performers, young people, and the community. Together, these venues reflect Councilmember Bob Blumenfield's vision for a new Canoga Park Arts District, strengthening Canoga Park as a destination for family, business, and culture.

The Madrid Theatre, located at 21622 Sherman Way, has been a cornerstone of Canoga Park's arts and entertainment community since opening in 1928 as a silent movie house and remains one of the area's historic cultural landmarks. After sustaining significant damage during the 1994 Reseda/Northridge Earthquake, the theatre was restored through public investment and is now receiving approximately $8.5 million in improvements to enhance its stage, lobby, restrooms, and other amenities, ensuring its continued service to the community.

The Taxco Theatre, located at 7242 Owensmouth Avenue and formerly known as the Clyde Porter Theatre, was acquired by the City in 2018 using $1.395 million in excess Community Redevelopment Agency bond funds. The approximately 150-seat venue will serve as the Canoga Park Stage Arts Lab, providing rehearsal, performance, and incubator space for local artists and community organizations.

The Canoga Park Youth Arts Center, located at 7222 Remmet Avenue, further expands this vision by providing young people with opportunities to engage in the arts, develop their creativity, and participate in the cultural life of their community.

Together, these cultural spaces represent a significant investment in the artistic, educational, economic, and civic vitality of Canoga Park and the West Valley. The Canoga Park Arts Hub will preserve important community assets, support local artists, nurture young talent, and create new opportunities for theatre, dance, music, and other forms of artistic expression, while advancing Councilmember Blumenfield's vision for a thriving Canoga Park Arts District.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Department of Transportation be instructed to erect permanent ceremonial signs bearing the designations

- "MADRID THEATRE - Canoga Park Arts Hub" at the Madrid Theatre, 21622 Sherman Way;
- "TAXCO THEATRE - Canoga Park Arts Hub" at the Taxco Theatre, 7242 Owensmouth Avenue; and
- "CANOGA PARK YOUTH ARTS CENTER - Canoga Park Arts Hub" at the Canoga Park Youth Arts Center, 7222 Remmet Avenue

in recognition of their collective contributions to the cultural, artistic, educational, economic, and civic life of Canoga Park and the West Valley.

PRESENTED BY: _____ SECONDED BY: _____

BOB BLUMENFIELD
Councilmember, 3rd District

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RESOLUTION

RULES, ELECTIONS, INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

WHEREAS, any official position of the City of Los Angeles with respect to legislation, rules, regulations, or policies proposed to or pending before a local, state, or federal government body or agency must have first been adopted in the form of a Resolution by the City Council; and

WHEREAS, on August 18, 2026, the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) and the U.S. Forest Service published a proposed rule to rescind in its entirety the 2001 Roadless Area Conservation Rule (2001 Roadless Rule), which for twenty-five years has prohibited road construction, road reconstruction, and commercial timber harvest across approximately 44.7 million acres of National Forest System lands; and

WHEREAS, approximately 4.4 million acres of inventoried roadless areas across twenty-one California national forests would lose these protections, including lands in the Angeles, Los Padres, San Bernardino, Cleveland, and Inyo National Forests that ring and supply the Los Angeles region, and the Forest Service anticipates that permanent roads could be constructed across 18.2 million acres nationwide and temporary roads across an additional 11.3 million acres; and

WHEREAS, human activity, not remote wildland ignition, is the dominant cause of wildfire in the United States, accounting for roughly 89 percent of wildfires nationwide, while fewer than one percent of wildfires in the lower 48 states since 2010 have ignited within inventoried roadless areas; and

WHEREAS, a peer-reviewed 2026 study in *Fire Ecology* examining three decades of national forest wildfire records found wildfire-ignition density was lowest in designated wilderness (1.75 fires per 1,000 hectares) and in inventoried roadless areas (1.97 fires per 1,000 hectares), and highest within 50 meters of roads (7.99 fires per 1,000 hectares), with ignition density declining steadily as distance from roads increases; and

WHEREAS, the Forest Service reached this same conclusion in its own environmental impact statement for the 2001 Roadless Rule, finding that building roads into inventoried roadless areas would likely increase the chance of human-caused fires because of the increased presence of people; and

WHEREAS, the City of Los Angeles and its neighboring communities continue to recover from the January 2025 Palisades and Eaton Fires, and any federal action that measurably increases ignition risk in the mountains above Los Angeles threatens the lives, homes, air quality, and insurance affordability of Angelenos, and falls heaviest on low-income and frontline communities with the fewest resources to evacuate, rebuilt, or relocate;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that by the adoption of this Resolution, the City of Los Angeles hereby includes in its 2025-2026 Federal Legislative Program OPPOSITION to the U.S. Forest Service proposed rule to rescind the 2001 Roadless Area Conservation Rule.

PRESENTED BY: _____
JOHN LEE
Councilmember, 12th District

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PUBLIC WORKS

MOTION

The City of Los Angeles is bracing for potential storms and heavy rainfall attributed to the "super" El Niño. The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Climate Prediction Center projects a greater than 90% chance of a strong El Niño, which could bring one of the wettest winters in recent years. Heavy rainfall poses an imminent threat to the City because of the impacts of street flooding, mudslides, debris flows, fallen trees, and infrastructure damage. In anticipation of these impacts, the City's Public Works Bureaus are actively preparing to respond to storm-related emergencies and provide critical services to keep Angelenos safe.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Council INSTRUCT the Bureau of Street Services, Bureau of Sanitation, Bureau of Engineering, and Bureau of Street Lighting to provide a verbal report to Council on the emergency preparedness, storm response, and post-recovery efforts for El Niño or other storm related emergencies, including:

- Crew deployment and reassignment strategies, emergency dispatch teams, and overtime availability for emergency preparedness, storm response, and post-recovery efforts related to heavy rainfall and storm-related emergencies, including, but not limited to, street flooding, fallen trees, and mudslides; inspection, maintenance, and debris clearance of catch basins, storm drains, and drainage channels; response to damaged street lighting infrastructure, including downed or struck poles, exposed wires, conduit damage, hanging fixtures, and open covers; sand and sandbag inventory, deployment, and distribution plans; hillside stability and mudslide preparedness, including inspections of vulnerable areas and emergency response protocols; and assessment of the structural integrity of bridges, tunnels, municipal buildings, and other critical public infrastructure.
- Emergency response intake and coordination protocols, including how storm-related emergency requests are received, prioritized, assigned, and tracked from 311, the Mayor's Office, Council Offices, and other City departments.
- Recommendations and best practices for residents and businesses to prepare for heavy rainfall, flooding, mudslides, and other storm-related hazards.
- Public information on accessing emergency and non-emergency services, including relevant phone numbers, online resources, and sandbag locations.

I FURTHER MOVE that the Council INSTRUCT the Public Works Bureaus to periodically prepare post-storm reports following the El Niño or other emergency rainstorm events, including work performed and emergency response activities undertaken, storm-related 311 service requests received and addressed, outstanding service requests and response activities, and damage to the public right-of-way, including identified repair and restoration needs.

PRESENTED BY: _____
EUNISSES HERNANDEZ
Councilmember, 1st District

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PLANNING & LAND USE MANAGEMENT

On November 3, 2026, Los Angeles voters will render their decisions on a number of proposed amendments to the City Charter, including Measure PL, which would make several changes relating to planning and land use matters. If approved, those amendments would take effect upon certification of the results within 30 days after the election.

If Measure PL is approved by the voters, it will be necessary to make various changes to the Municipal Code to implement the measure. Without presupposing the outcome of the election, it is necessary to begin work on implementing ordinances, so that they could be adopted without delay in the event that Measure PL is approved by the voters, and by the time the Charter changes take effect. This Motion begins that preparatory work.

In May and June 2026, the Rules, Elections, and Intergovernmental Relations Committee (Rules Committee) held a series of Committee meetings to review and discuss the recommendations for changes to the City Charter submitted by the Charter Reform Commission, City Council offices, and City departments, and to review Council Motions.

On June 12 and June 15, 2026, the Rules Committee deliberated the various proposed Charter changes synthesized in the report of the Chief Legislative Analyst dated June 10, 2026, and advanced its recommendations to the Council. The Rules Committee's recommendations included more than 30 proposals for Charter changes to present to the voters at the City's General Election to be held on November 3, 2026.

On June 17, 2026, the Council considered all of the Rules Committee's recommendations, including Councilmembers' Motions proposing Charter changes. At the conclusion of its deliberations, the Council ultimately approved more than 30 specific Charter changes for the November 2026 ballot.

If the voters approve the proposed changes to City Charter sections 104(e), 243(e), 552, 561, 562, 563, 564, and 565, Chapter I and 1A of the Municipal Code and other related documents will require updating to maintain conformance with the Charter. To that end, and in an effort to be prepared and aware of all the subsequent changes that may be necessary, the City Attorney needs to prepare the necessary ordinances.

I **THEREFORE MOVE** that the Council REQUEST the City Attorney, in consultation with the Department of City Planning, to prepare and present a draft ordinance that amends Chapter I and 1A of the Municipal Code, applicable overlays, and other zoning regulations, and environmental clearance language, as necessary, to implement and conform those provisions to the Charter amendments contained in the Charter Ballot Resolution dated June 29, 2026 relating to the Department of City Planning (CF 26-1100-S12) contingent upon approval of the applicable Charter amendments by the voters at the November 3, 2026 election.

I **FURTHER MOVE** that the Council REQUEST the City Attorney, with the assistance of the Department of City Planning, to include in the ordinance amendments necessary to create consistent

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references throughout the Municipal Code, and applicable zoning regulations to the revised Charter Section 552, and any other code amendments needed as necessary, including the following, if Measure PL is approved by the voters:

- Remove references to the Area Planning Commissions as decision-making or appellate authorities and replace those references with the Neighborhood Appeals Commission;
- Preserve geographic representation corresponding to the seven existing Area Planning Commission areas in establishing the composition and geographic representation of the Neighborhood Appeals Commission; and
- Provide that any appeals of decisions made by the City Planning Commission or Neighborhood Appeals Commission be heard by the City Council where procedures for second level appeals are required.

I FURTHER MOVE that the Council REQUEST the City Attorney, with the assistance of the Department of City Planning to include the necessary environmental clearance language in the ordinance that is consistent with the proposed amendment to Charter Section 555, wherein a General Plan Amendment is not acted upon within 75 days, the General Plan Amendment shall be deemed approved by operation of law, and that all requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (Public Resources Code Section 21000, et seq.) shall be complied with and nothing therein is intended to eliminate the right of any interested party to appeal a CEQA determination pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21151(c) or anything in LAMC Chapter 1A, Section 13B.11.1.F, adopted to implement Section 21151(c).

I FURTHER MOVE that the Council REQUEST the City Attorney, in consultation with the Department of City Planning, include language in the ordinance to remove from the Municipal Code (Chapter 1 and Chapter 1A) any outdated references to repealed Charter Sections 562, 563, 564, and 565.

I FURTHER MOVE that the Council REQUEST the City Attorney, in consultation with the Department of City Planning to include language in the ordinance that expressly provides that its operative provisions are contingent upon voter approval of Measure PL, and that if the measure is not approved by the voters, this Ordinance shall not be made operative.

I FURTHER MOVE that the Council REQUEST the City Attorney, in consultation with the Department of City Planning, include language in the ordinance that finds that the ordinance is intended to establish consistency between the City Charter, the Municipal Code, Chapter 1 and 1A, and other applicable zoning regulations and overlays, and does not constitute an action subject to the procedures in Charter Section 558, and therefore referral to the City Planning Commission for a report and recommendation is not required. Accordingly, the ordinance shall proceed directly to the Council for consideration and action, in the event that Measure PL is approved by the voters on November 3, 2026.

PRESENTED BY: _____
BOB BLUMENFIELD
Councilmember, 3rd District

SECONDED BY : _____

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PUBLIC WORKS

MOTION

The City of Los Angeles maintains more than 220,000 streetlights that are essential to public safety by improving nighttime visibility for motorists, pedestrians, cyclists, and emergency responders. Following the failure of the Bureau of Street Lighting's proposed Proposition 218 assessment, the Bureau must continue operating with limited resources and a significant repair backlog. As a result, it is more important than ever that available repair crews be deployed where functioning streetlights provide the greatest public safety benefit.

The Bureau of Street Lighting generally prioritizes repairs on a first-in, first-out basis, except for immediate electrical hazards. While administratively simple, this approach does not account for the varying public safety impacts of streetlight outages across the City. The City already uses objective prioritization criteria for infrastructure programs such as its Sidewalk Repair Program, and a similar approach should be used for streetlight repairs.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Council instruct the Bureau of Street Lighting, with assistance from the Chief Legislative Analyst as needed, to develop and implement a transparent, objective Streetlight Repair Prioritization Matrix for all non-emergency streetlight repair requests.

I FURTHER MOVE that the prioritization matrix, modeled after the City's Sidewalk Repair Program, prioritize outages located:

- Within or adjacent to single-family and multi-family residential neighborhoods;
- Near parks, schools, libraries, recreation centers, senior centers, and transit stops;
- Along high-pedestrian corridors, including Safe Routes to School;
- In locations with documented public safety concerns, including higher rates of pedestrian or vehicle collisions or crime.

I FURTHER MOVE that the prioritization matrix assign lower priority to routine, non-emergency outages located primarily within commercial and industrial corridors, while preserving the Bureau's existing practice of immediately responding to electrical hazards and other emergency conditions.

I FURTHER MOVE that the Bureau report to Council within 90 days with the proposed prioritization methodology, implementation timeline, and any resources or policy changes necessary to implement the prioritization system.

PRESENTED BY _____
JOHN S. LEE
Councilmember, 12th District

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