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## CITY COUNCIL TAKES ACTION REGARDING BUILDING MORATORIUM; RESTRICTIONS ON GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENTS; REQUIRED REVIEW OF GENERAL PLAN INITIATIVE ORDINANCE PETITION

**LOS ANGELES**— Los Angeles City Clerk Holly L. Wolcott announced today that the *Building Moratorium;* Restrictions On General Plan Amendments; Required Review Of General Plan. Initiative Ordinance, will appear on the March 7, 2017 ballot.

On September 16, 2016, the initiative petition requesting adoption of the proposed ordinance was presented to the City Council. Pursuant to Charter Section 452(b)(3), the City Council determined on September 30, 2016, to submit the initiative ordinance, without alteration, to a vote of the electors of the City at the March 7, 2017 Primary Nominating Election to be conducted by the City of Los Angeles.

The Official Title and Question is as follows:

BUILDING MORATORIUM; RESTRICTIONS ON GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENTS; REQUIRED REVIEW OF GENERAL PLAN. INITIATIVE ORDINANCE.

Shall an ordinance amending City laws related to the General Plan, including to: 1) impose a two-year moratorium on projects seeking General Plan amendments or zone or height-district changes resulting in more intense land use, an increase in density or height, or a loss of zoned open space, agricultural or industrial areas, with exceptions including for affordable housing projects and projects for which vested rights have accrued; 2) prohibit geographic amendments to the General Plan unless the affected area has significant social, economic or physical identity (defined as encompassing an entire community or district plan area, specific plan area, neighborhood council area or at least 15 acres); 3) require systematic, public review of the General Plan every five years; 4) prohibit project applicants from completing environmental impact reports for the City; 5) require the City make findings of General Plan consistency for planning amendments, project approvals and permit decisions; and 6) prohibit certain parking variances; be adopted?

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