Los Angeles City Council, Journal/Council Proceeding Wednesday, March 31, 2021

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, Bonin, Cedillo, de León, Harris-Dawson, Koretz, Krekorian, Lee, O'Farrell, Price, Raman, Ridley-Thomas, Rodriguez and President Martinez (14); Absent: Buscaino (1)

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) **19-0845-S6**

PERSONNEL, AUDITS, AND ANIMAL WELFARE COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the amendment to the 2018-22 Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for the Crossing Guards Bargaining Unit (MOU 34).

Recommendations for Council action:

- 1. APPROVE the 2019-2022 Amended MOU for Bargaining Unit 34
- 2. AUTHORIZE the Controller and the City Administrative Officer (CAO) to correct any clerical errors or make necessary technical corrections subsequent to City Council approval.

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement:</u> The CAO reports that as there are no salary deferrals or special adjustments associated with this MOU amendment, there is no additional fiscal impact.

<u>Community Impact Statement:</u> None submitted.

Adopted Item Forthwith

Ayes: Blumenfield, Bonin, Cedillo, de León, Harris-Dawson, Koretz, Krekorian, Lee, Martinez, O'Farrell, Price, Raman, Ridley-Thomas, Rodriguez (14); Nays: (0); Absent: Buscaino (1)

(2) **19-1447**

PERSONNEL, AUDITS, AND ANIMAL WELFARE COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the amendment to the 2019-23 Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for the Inspectors Barganing Unit (MOU 5).

Recommendations for Council action:

- 1. APPROVE the 2019-23 MOU for the Inspectors Bargaining Unit (MOU 5).
- 2. AUTHORIZE the Controller and the City Administrative Officer (CAO) to correct any clerical errors in the MOU or make necessary technical corrections subsequent to City Council approval.

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement:</u> The CAO reports that implementation of these contract amendments will result in a savings of \$2.57 million in direct costs over Fiscal Year (FY) 2020-21 and 2020-22. This includes savings achieved from the deferral of raises as well as two unpaid days to be taken in FY 2020-21.

<u>Community Impact Statement:</u> None submitted.

Adopted Item Forthwith

Ayes: Blumenfield, Bonin, Cedillo, de León, Harris-Dawson, Koretz, Krekorian, Lee, Martinez, O'Farrell, Price, Raman, Ridley-Thomas, Rodriguez (14); Nays: (0); Absent: Buscaino (1)

Closed Session

(3) **20-0263**

The City Council shall recess to Closed Session, pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1), to confer with its legal counsel

relative to the case entitled <u>LA Alliance for Human Rights</u>, et al. v. City of <u>Los Angeles</u>, et al., United States Central District Court Case No. 2:20-cv-02291.

Adopted Item to Continue to April 6, 2021

Ayes: Blumenfield, Bonin, Buscaino, Cedillo, de León, Harris-Dawson, Koretz, Krekorian, Lee, Martinez, O'Farrell, Price, Raman, Ridley-Thomas, Rodriguez (15);

Nays: (0); Absent: (0)

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

Members Present: Blumenfield, Bonin, Buscaino, Cedillo, de León, Harris-Dawson, Koretz, Krekorian, Lee, O'Farrell, Price, Raman, Ridley-Thomas, Rodriguez and President Martinez (15)

Whereupon the Council did adjourn.

ATTEST: Holly L. Wolcott, CITY CLERK

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Council Clerk

PRESIDENT OF THE CITY COUNCIL

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COMMENDATORY RESOLUTIONS

MOVED BY	SECONDED BY	NAME
O'Farrell	Martinez	Tony Arranaga
O'Farrell	Martinez	Hollywood Police Activities
		League
Rodriguez	Lee	American Red Cross Month

ADJOURNING MOTIONS

MOVED BY	SECONDED BY	NAME
Martinez - Ridley-Thomas	All Councilmembers	Ruth Schwartz

The Mid-City Neighborhood Council (MINC) is coordinating a street banner campaign. The purpose of the street banners is to beautify the Washington Blvd. corridor, build awareness of the MINC, and safely build community during a very challenging year.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the City Council, in accordance with Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC) Section 62.132, approve the Street Banner program being coordinated by the Mid-City Neighborhood Council, as a City of Los Angeles Non-Event Street Banner Program for the period of May 2021 to May 2022.

I FURTHER MOVE that the City Council approve the content of the attached street banner designs.

PRESENTED BY:

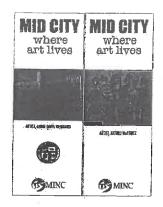
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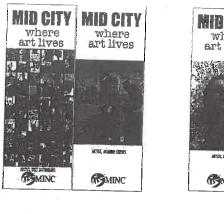
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Councilmember, 5th District

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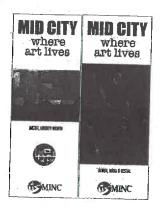










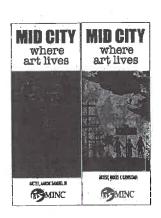














I MOVE that the City Council reaffirm its findings for the reward offer relative to the death of Davon Pledger (Council Action of July 7, 2020, C.F. 20-0010-S11) and that the reward offer be reinstated for an additional period of six months from the publication of the renewed offer of reward by the City Clerk and, further, that the sum of \$50,000 shall be the aggregate maximum sum of any payment or payments of a City reward in this instance.

PRESENTED BY:

MONICA RODRIGUEZ

Councilwoman, 7th District

SECONDED BY

I MOVE that the City Council reaffirm its findings for the reward offer relative to the death of Omar Medina (Council Action of August 12, 2020, C.F. 20-0010-S13) and that the reward offer be reinstated for an additional period of six months from the publication of the renewed offer of reward by the City Clerk and, further, that the sum of \$50,000 shall be the aggregate maximum sum of any payment or payments of a City reward in this instance.

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MONICA RODRIGUEZ

Councilwoman, 7th District

SECONDED BY: Milk

I MOVE that the City Council reaffirm its findings for the reward offer relative to the death of Michael Kelly (Council Action of August 12, 2020, C.F. 20-0010-S12) and that the reward offer be reinstated for an additional period of six months from the publication of the renewed offer of reward by the City Clerk and, further, that the sum of \$50,000 shall be the aggregate maximum sum of any payment or payments of a City reward in this instance.

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MONICA RODRIGUEZ Councilwoman, 7th District

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MOTION

As early doses of the vaccines are prioritized for populations like frontline healthcare workers and seniors in long-term care facilities, COVID-19 tests are as important as ever to identify infectious persons and slow the spread of the virus among those who have not been vaccinated. It is important we stay vigilant in other important safety measures, including proper testing, mask wearing and social distancing. The city of Los Angeles should remain focused on providing as many tests as possible so people can access them throughout the duration of the pandemic and beyond.

While new COVID cases are decreasing statewide now is not the time to become lax in what we understand works to protect residents and detect the virus. Experts and Public Health officials have recently warned that increases in cases seen in parts of the United States and Europe could threaten California's progress, so we must continue to use every preventative measure available to us to slow the spread of the virus. It is important that diagnostic companies, public health leaders, policymakers and the community continue to advocate for the role of vaccines and testing in partnership with other important safety measures like mask wearing, social distancing and hand washing.

I THEREFORE MOVE, the office of the Chief Legislative Analyst, the Mayor's office and all necessary City departments to report, on the status of COVID testing within the City.

I FURTHER MOVE this report should include, a complete analysis of costs and effectiveness of the different types of COVID testing used by the City.

I FURTHER MOVE this report should include analysis of costs and effectiveness of different types of COVID testing not used by the City and options for improving the City's COVID testing program.

PRESENTED BY

JOHN'S. LEE

Councilmember, 12th District

SECONDED BY Moucakodugueng

In 2016, the Los Angeles City Council unanimously approved a motion (CF 16-0243, Krekorian and Bonin) recognizing that "the city has an opportunity to re-create its utility in a way that recognizes the potential for a fossil-free future, demonstrates global leadership in its commitment to clean energy, and protects ratepayers from the increasing costs of carbon-based fuels." The motion instructed the Department of Water and Power (DWP) to develop a partnership with the US Department of Energy and other entities to determine what investments must be made to achieve a 100% fossil-free energy portfolio for the DWP. This project is known as LA100.

As a result of the Council's action on the Krekorian/Bonin LA100 motion, the DWP entered into an innovative, first-in-the-nation partnership with the US Department of Energy's National Renewable Energy Lab (NREL) to study the technical feasibility of achieving a 100% clean energy grid. The NREL study team, made up of nearly 100 technical experts, working with some of the most powerful supercomputers in the nation, led a thorough process on behalf of, and in close partnership with, the DWP. The study provides objective, technically rigorous, science-based recommendations on different 100% carbon-free energy scenarios, and considers their technical feasibility, cost, reliability, resiliency, health improvements, job benefits, and environmental justice implications.

The study was enhanced by the participation of more than 100 members of the stakeholder advisory panel, representing nearly 50 organizations that included environmental justice groups, industry representatives, local technical experts, and government agencies.

All scenarios in the LA100 analysis share dramatic local benefits, including:

- Significant improvements to local air quality and reduced hospitalization and death from respiratory ailments associated with ozone and particulate matter;
- Thousands of local, good-paying jobs created, such as maintenance of clean energy systems and construction of new transmission and distribution lines;
- The opportunity to reverse decades of environmental injustice by replacing dirty gasfired plants in working class neighborhoods with clean energy; and
- A reliable and resilient grid, capable of adapting to a changing climate and shocks caused by natural disasters.

LA100's "stress" scenarios, which assume high amounts of building and transportation electrification but modest energy efficiency and demand response programs, demonstrate the imperative of creating much more robust and creative programs to address future demand. Energy efficiency programs, which make LA100 goals more feasible, must prioritize low-income customers and ensure that all communities share in the benefits of the clean energy economy.

In the coming months, LADWP will prepare a Strategic Long Term Resource Plan (SLTRP), which is the first opportunity to create a schedule and begin planning and approving investments needed to reach the 100% clean energy goal. As the Department prepares its

proposals for Council approval, the SLTRP should feature "no regrets" investment strategies, including:

- Substantial investments in new transmission capacity
- Substantial investments in new storage capacity
- A ramp up of distributed energy generation programs, particularly rooftop solar
- Expanded energy efficiency programs
- Rate structures that promote electrification of buildings, transportation, and facilitate demand response

In 2018, SB100 committed all power utilities in California to achieve 100% renewable energy by 2045, which represents the DWP's current legally mandated requirement. In 2019, this City Council adopted the LA Green New Deal, which further sets Los Angeles on a path to achieve net zero carbon by 2050, including strategies to electrify our building and transportation sectors.

In his January 27, 2021 Executive Order on Tackling the Climate Crisis, President Joe Biden committed the federal government to decarbonizing the nation's electric power sector by 2035. Given this national target, the hope for federal funding to support these goals, and the technical knowledge acquired from LA100, Los Angeles is in a position to lead.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Council INSTRUCT the Department of Water and Power to prepare a Strategic Long Term Resource Plan that achieves 100% carbon-free energy by 2035, in a way that is equitable and has minimal adverse impact on ratepayers.

FURTHER MOVE that the Strategic Long Term Resource Plan prioritize equity for environmental justice communities, defined as those scoring at or above the 80th percentile on CalEnviroScreen. The plan should ensure that emissions are not increased for any period of time at facilities in environmental justice communities, particularly Valley Generating Station.

I FURTHER MOVE that the Council INSTRUCT the Chief Legislative Analyst, with the assistance of the Department of Water and Power, to report on the "no-regrets" projects that are common to all LA100 paths and present an accelerated pathway to launch and complete those projects. This report should include a list of "shovel-ready" projects that DWP can be ready to act on in order to seize on Federal and State funding opportunities.

Presented by:

PAUL KREKORIAN

Councilmember, 2nd District

MITCH O'FARRELL

Councilmember, 13th District

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Seconded by:

Addressing our homelessness crisis requires a wide range of solutions, applied urgently and simultaneously, targeting different populations and focusing a variety of resources, across the City of Los Angeles.

In Council District 11, *Permanent Supportive Housing* funded through HHH has been approved or is in the pipeline at 11950 W. Missouri in West LA, 2454 S Barry Ave in West LA, 3233 S. Thatcher Avenue in Venice, 8333 Airport Blvd in Westchester, 720 Rose Avenue in Venice, 2469 Lincoln Boulevard in Venice, and the Veterans Administration Campus at 11301 Wilshire Blvd in Brentwood. More supportive housing is proposed at the Veterans Administration campus in Brentwood, as well as at Venice Boulevard and Pacific Avenue in Venice, and at 12901 Venice Blvd in Mar Vista. Additional supportive housing has opened in recent years at 11976 Culver Boulevard in Del Rey, 11368 Beach Avenue in Del Rey, 11738 Courtleigh Drive in Del Rey, and 700 Main Street in Venice.

Additional unhoused services have been implemented in the District as a means to provide safe spaces for individuals experiencing homelessness as we build out our Citywide housing capacity. *Bridge housing* has been opened at 200 Sunset Avenue in Venice, at the VA campus in Brentwood, and on Mitchell Avenue in Mar Vista. A *Project Roomkey* Hotel is operational at the Cadillac Hotel on Venice Beach. *Project Homekey* properties have been purchased at 9250 Airport Boulevard in Westchester and 3130 Washington Boulevard in Venice/Marina del Rey. *Safe Parking* has opened in Westchester at the Recreation and Parks parking lot at 9045 Lincoln Boulevard, at the CD11 field office at 1645 Corinth Avenue in West LA and on the Veterans Administration campus in Brentwood. Federally-funded *safe camping* for veterans is available at the VA campus in Brentwood. *Emergency shelters* have also periodically operated in West LA, Westchester and Venice.

Despite those projects, homelessness across Southern California, Los Angeles, and the 11th District continues to increase, and much more must be done. Different interventions must be tried, and more locations must be identified.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the City Council INSTRUCT the Office of the City Administrative Officer (CAO) to evaluate and identify funding for the following potential projects at the following proposed locations:

 A temporary site for single-occupancy tiny homes or safe camping at the county-owned parking lot at Will Rogers State Beach, 17000 CA-1 in Pacific Palisades

- A temporary site for single-occupancy tiny homes, safe camping or safe parking site at the county-owned Parking Lot #3 at Dockweiler Beach, 11999 Vista Del Mar in Playa del Rey.
- A temporary site specifically for RV safe parking located at the county-owned RV park at Dockweller Beach, 12001 Vista Del Mar, Playa Del Rey, CA 90293.
- A temporary site for single-occupancy tiny homes or safe camping site at the county-owned parking lot at Fisherman's Village in Marina del Rey, 13755 Fiji
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I FURTHER MOVE that the City Council INSTRUCT the Office of the City Administrative Officer (CAO) to evaluate and identify funding for a temporary site for single-occupancy tiny homes or safe camping sites at property owned by Culver City for a joint LA-Culver City program.

I FURTHER MOVE that the City Council INSTRUCT the Office of the City Administrative Officer (CAO) to identify funding for a lease agreement for a temporary safe camping site at the privately-owned parcel at 5000 Beethoven Avenue in Del Rey, including the provision of services, security and resources where a large tent encampment currently exists.

I FURTHER MOVE that the City Council INSTRUCT the Department of Recreation & Parks to evaluate the feasibility of identifying a portion of Westchester Park for a safe camping program, while allowing for the resumption of parks and recreation programs and public use of the rest of the park, and INSTRUCT the CAO to identify funding for safe camping there.

I FURTHER MOVE that the City Council INSTRUCT the Department of Recreation & Parks to evaluate the feasibility of identifying a portion of Mar Vista Park for a safe camping program, while allowing for the resumption of parks and recreation programs and public use of the rest of the park, and INSTRUCT the CAO to identify funding for safe camping there.

I FURTHER MOVE that the City Council INSTRUCT the CAO work with Los Angeles World Airports (LAWA) to identify and fund an airport-owned site the city can use, pending FAA approval, for safe camping, safe parking, or tiny homes.

I FURTHER MOVE that the City Council INSTRUCT the CAO to evaluate and identify funding for a temporary shelter, for homeless women in vacant space adjacent to the Council District 11 offices at the West LA Municipal Building at 1645 Corinth Avenue.

I FURTHER MOVE that the City Council INSTRUCT the Housing and Community & Investment Department (HCID) to work with Council District 11 and willing potential sellers to purchase additional hotels or motels, subject to additional City Council approval, with additional Project Homekey funds that may become available July 1, 2021.

I FURTHER MOVE that the City Council INSTRUCT the Housing Authority of the City of Los Angeles to work with Council District 11 and willing property owners to enter into master lease agreements, subject to subsequent City Council approval, for hotel rooms or apartment units to be used for homeless housing.

Presented by:

MIKE BONIN

Councilmember, 11th District

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Seconded by:

MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS
Councilmember, 10th District

The Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) mission is to support United States citizens and first responders to ensure that as a nation we work together to build, sustain, and improve our capability to prepare for, protect against, respond to, recover from and mitigate all hazards. In order to meet FEMA's mission, grant programs are offered to first responder agencies, such as the Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response Grants (SAFER).

SAFER was created to provide funding directly to fire departments to help them increase or maintain the number of trained, "front line" firefighters available in their communities. The goal of SAFER is to enhance the local fire departments' abilities to comply with staffing, response and operational standards established by the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA). The SAFER Grants are offered to support projects to hire new, additional firefighters to improve staffing levels.

The objective of the SAFER grant program is to assist local fire departments with staffing and deployment capabilities in order to respond to emergencies, and assure that communities have adequate protection from fire and fire-related hazards. Ultimately, SAFER recipients should achieve more efficient responses; thereby ensuring communities have improved protection from fire and fire-related hazards.

The Los Angeles Fire Department (LAFD) was awarded the FY 2016 SAFER grant for firefighter hiring in an amount up to \$15,468,782, which was the largest amount awarded to FY 2016 SAFER grantees. The grant performance period originally covered three years, from January 22, 2018 through January 21, 2021. During the COVID-19, pandemic, FEMA offered the opportunity for the FY16 SAFER award recipients to request an extension to continue expending funds. The LAFD applied for and was granted for an extension of the FY16 SAFER grant through September 1, 2021. With the extension, the LAFD will be reimbursed for approximately \$1.5 million.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Council, authorize the LAFD to receive the grant extension and expend the remaining grant funds.

Presented by:

PAUL KREKORIAN

Councilmember, 2nd District

Seconded by: Monica Rodingues of

Los Angeles was built with the sweat and toil of immigrant workers, whose hard work is too often ignored by history and forgotten by those who benefit from the fruits of their labor. Those who built Los Angeles merit recognition and special appreciation.

Descendants of the Traqueros across America and Mexico are eager to celebrate the history of the Mexican migrants and Mexican-Americans who built the fabled trans-continental railway system. They have proposed a beautiful bronze sculpture, to be placed prominently in Venice, in the middle of the Windward traffic circle, footsteps from Venice Beach, honoring this culture that has been too often forgotten and marginalized.

As our world becomes more globalized, we must always remember that Mexicans populated this land before it became the State of California and, hard working people who lived in the area labored along-side the teams of Chinese immigrants and Black Americans who were the track layers, which is what "Traqueros" means in Spanish. Traqueros moved with the work along the tracks. Some descendants have grandfathers who were Traqueros who worked as far east as Oklahoma. Their families, in turn, labored, like campesinos, also contributing to the development of our great nation.

Thanks to the hard work of the Venice Mexican American Traqueros Monument Committee, we have the opportunity to celebrate the history of the Traqueros and the broader Mexican-American community on the Westside of Los Angeles through a new public monument. The bronze statue, designed by renowned Mexican sculptor Jorge Marín, will highlight the contributions and sacrifices of the Traqueros and their families by representing a Traquero on the railroad, holding his daughter's hand, with his son on his shoulders, and his wife by his side.

The proposed monument has won the enthusiastic support of people and organizations, across the City, the Country and the world, including the "alma" or Soul of the Farmworkers Union, Dolores Huerta and the Mexican Consulate in Los Angeles. The City of Los Angeles should approve and facilitate its installation.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Bureau of Engineering, with the assistance of the Office of Community Beautification, the Department of Transportation and the Office of Council District 11 be directed to report with recommendations for the installation of the Venice Mexican American Traqueros Monument in Windward Circle in the Venice neighborhood of Council District 11.

PRESENTED BY:

MIKE BONIN

Councilmember, 11th District

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SECONDED BY:

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RESOLUTION

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 with the concurrence of the Mayor; and

WHEREAS, a growing number of consumers favor the purchase of environmentally-friendly "green" products, including products that are recyclable or biodegradable; and

WHEREAS, many companies have responded with "green" marketing efforts by touting the environmental benefits of their products; and

WHEREAS, some companies engage in "greenwashing" which is the practice of placing deceptive, exaggerated, or misleading labels on products to make them appear environmentally-friendly; and

WHEREAS, "greenwashing" misleads many consumers and ultimately undermines State and local environmental sustainability efforts; and

WHEREAS, the State Legislature has enacted a "Truth in Environmental Advertising" law to mitigate the effects of "greenwashing" and is pursuing additional legislation to further address this matter; and

WHEREAS, SB 343 (Allen) seeks to prohibit the sale or distribution of any product or packaging using a deceptive or misleading label or claim about recyclability, including the display of the "chasing arrows" symbol, unless the State has determined the product or packaging is truly recyclable; and

WHEREAS, AB 1201 (Ting) seeks to prohibit the sale or distribution of any plastic product that is labeled with the term "compostable," "home compostable," or "soil biodegradable" unless the product meets specified biodegradable requirements; and

WHEREAS, AB 818 (Bloom) seeks to require premoistened nonwoven disposable wipes to be labeled clearly and conspicuously with the phrase "Do Not Flush" and would prohibit producers from making a representation about these product's flushable attributes or efficacy;

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, with the concurrence of the Mayor, that by the adoption of this Resolution, the City of Los Angeles hereby includes in its 2021-2022 State Legislative Program SUPPORT for SB 343 (Allen), AB 1201 (Ting) and AB 818 (Bloom) which seek to mitigate the effects of "greenwashing" which is the practice of placing deceptive, exaggerated, or misleading labels on products to make them appear environmentally-friendly.

PRESENTED BY:

MITCH O'FARRELL
Councilmember, 13th District

PAUL KORETZ
Councilmember, 5th District

PAUL KREKORIAN
Councilmember, 2nd District

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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 governmental body or agency must have first been adopted in the form of a Resolution by the City Council with the concurrence of the Mayor; and

WHEREAS, on September 27, 2020, Azerbaijan, with support from Turkey and foreign terrorist mercenaries, launched a military assault on the Republic of Artsakh (formerly known as Nagorno-Karabakh), resulting in the deaths of thousands and displacing tens of thousands of ethnic Armenian residents; and

WHEREAS, on November 9, 2020, Azerbaijan, Armenia, and Russia signed a tripartite statement to end the conflict, and all parties agreed that the "exchange of prisoners of war, hostages and other detainees as well as the remains of the fatalities shall be carried out;" and

WHEREAS, customary international law and the Third Geneva Convention, of which Azerbaijan is a signatory, require the release of prisoners of war and captured civilians upon the cessation of hostilities and require that all detainees be treated humanely; and

WHEREAS, despite Azerbaijan's obligations under the Geneva Conventions and its commitment in signing the November 9 statement, more than 100 days after the end of the conflict, the government of Azerbaijan continues to detain an estimated 200 Armenian prisoners of war, hostages, and detained persons, misrepresenting their status in an attempt to justify their continued captivity; and

WHEREAS, Human Rights Watch has reported that Azerbaijani military forces have mistreated ethnic Armenian prisoners of war and subjected them to "physical abuse and humiliation;" and

WHEREAS, Columbia University's Institute for the Study of Human Rights issued a report on the conflict that "document[s] crimes against humanity and other atrocities committed by Azerbaijani armed forces and Turkish-backed Islamist fighters against Armenians," including beheadings, summary executions, and the desecration of human remains; and

WHEREAS, there is great and legitimate concern about the current condition of prisoners of war and captured civilians and their ongoing treatment, including the possibility that detainees could be subject to torture, sexual assaults and other mistreatment; and

WHEREAS, Azerbaijan's continued inexcusable detainment of prisoners of war and captured civilians calls into serious question its commitment to human rights, international law and the negotiation of an equitable, lasting peace settlement; and

WHEREAS, Armenia has fulfilled its obligations under the November 9 statement and international law by returning Azerbaijani prisoners of war; and

WHEREAS, the United States is a co-chair, along with France and Russia, of the OSCE Minsk Group, which was created to seek a durable and peaceful solution to the Nagorno-Karabakh conflict; and

WHEREAS, currently pending in the U.S. House of Representatives is a Resolution (H.Res. 240 - Schiff) which would call upon Azerbaijan to immediately return all Armenian prisoners of war and captured civilians; and would urge the Secretary of State to engage at all levels with Azerbaijani authorities, including through the OSCE Minsk Group process, to make clear that Azerbaijan must adhere to its obligations, under the November 9 statement and international law, to immediately release all prisoners of war and captured civilians;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, with the concurrence of the Mayor, that by the adoption of this Resolution, the City of Los Angeles hereby includes in its 2021-2022 Federal Legislative Program SUPPORT for H.Res. 240 (Schiff) and all similar legislation that would call upon Azerbaijan to immediately return all Armenian prisoners of war and captured civilians; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of Los Angeles calls upon the Biden Administration to engage at all levels with Azerbaijani authorities, including through the OSCE Minsk Group process, to demand that Azerbaijan adhere to its obligations, under the November 9 statement and international law, to immediately release all prisoners of war and captured civilians.

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WHEREAS, the City provides solid resources collection services to more than 750,000 households which includes a strong recycling-oriented focus; and

WHEREAS, the UCLA Engineering Extension's Municipal Solid Waste Management Program reported that the City has achieved a recycling rate of 76.4% which gives it the highest recycling rate out of the 10 largest U.S. cities; and

WHEREAS, the City has been on the forefront of recycling-oriented initiatives and has also supported State legislation that promotes good recycling practices that enhance its efforts; and

WHEREAS, AB 649 (Bennett) seeks to establish the Office of Environmental Justice and Tribal Relations within CalRecycle, the State's solid resources and recycling regulatory agency; and

WHEREAS, AB 649 would ensure that CalRecycle's programs effectively address the needs of disadvantaged communities, low-income communities and California Native American Tribes; and

WHEREAS, AB 881 (Gonzalez) seeks to close the loophole in State law that enables exported mixed plastic waste to be deemed recycled even when it is landfilled, burned or improperly managed; and

WHEREAS, AB 881 would increase transparency and accountability in recycling efforts; ensuring that recycling truly means recycling; and

WHEREAS, AB 478 (Ting) seeks to set minimum recycled content requirements for plastic thermoform food containers, starting at 10% and reaching 30% by January 1, 2030; and

WHEREAS, AB 478 would expand the use of recycled content in food packaging thereby minimizing the impact of plastics on the environment and furthering good recycling practices;

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, with the concurrence of the Mayor, that by the adoption of this Resolution, the City of Los Angeles hereby includes in its 2021-2022 State Legislative Program SUPPORT for AB 649 (Bennett), AB 881 (Gonzalez) and AB 478 (Ting) which seek to promote good recycling initiatives and practices and will enhance the City's recycling efforts.

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BOB BLUMENFIELD Councilmember, 3rd District

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WHEREAS, California's leadership has helped spur transportation electrification to tackle the climate crisis, improve air quality and public health particularly in disadvantaged communities, and grow cleantech industries while creating green jobs; and

WHEREAS, in 2015 the California Legislature passed SB 350 by Senate President Kevin de León, that for the first time directed state energy agencies and utilities to invest in transportation electrification as a part of their "regulatory compact' to provide reliable and reasonably priced electric services and reduce California's reliance on fossil fuels and the toxic air pollution it generates; and

WHEREAS, in September 2020, Governor Newsom issued Executive Order N-79-20, establishing a goal for all new passenger cars and trucks, as well as all drayage and cargo trucks and off-road vehicles and equipment, sold in California, to be zero-emission by 2035 and also set a goal for all medium and heavy-duty vehicles to be zero-emission by 2045; and

WHEREAS, reaching our transportation electrification goals will require numerous agencies to succeed, and there is a need for enhanced coordination and shared accountability for results; and

WHEREAS, budgets are strained, and new and creative funding sources and finance solutions are needed: and

WHEREAS, the economic growth, equity and job creation opportunities are vast in this expansive transformation, and they need to be connected to the targets and the policies to achieve results; and

WHEREAS, in response to the need to ensure the state achieves 1.5 million zero-emission vehicles (ZEV) by 2025, and 5 million by 2030, Senator Henry Stern and Senator Robert Hertzberg introduced Senate Bill (SB) 551 to establish the California Electric Vehicle Authority in the Governor's Office; and

WHEREAS, the California Electric Vehicle Authority will coordinate activities among state agencies to advance electric vehicle and zero-emission charging infrastructure deployment; and



ensure related equity, workforce development, economic development, and other needs are addressed to grow and support the sector statewide; and

WHEREAS, the California Electric Vehicle Authority will create a set of financing tools to support the transition and economic development, including examining where existing sources of financing can be enhanced and leveraged; and

WHEREAS, the City of Los Angeles has committed to aggressive climate emissions reductions and environmental protections for the health and welfare of the City and its residents, the economic well-being of its businesses, and the future of its children;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, with the concurrence of the Mayor, that by the adoption of this Resolution, the City of Los Angeles hereby includes in its 2021-2022 State Legislative Program SUPPORT for SB 551 (Stern and Hertzberg) which seeks to establish the California Electric Vehicle Authority in the Governor's Office in order to advance electric vehicle and zero-emission charging infrastructure deployment throughout the state; and ensure related equity, workforce development and economic development objectives are met.

PRESENTED BY:

KEVIN DE LEÓN

Councilmember 14th District

SECONDED BY:

PAUL KORFTZ

Councilmember, 5th District

RESOLUTION

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 governmental body or agency must have first been adopted in the form of a Resolution by the City Council with the concurrence of the Mayor; and

WHEREAS, existing law requires the California Building Standards Commission to approve and adopt building standards and to codify those standards in the California Building Standards Code; and

WHEREAS, existing law requires the Building Standards Commission to adopt, approve, codify, and publish mandatory building standards for the installation of electric vehicle charging infrastructure for parking spaces in multifamily dwellings and nonresidential development; and

WHEREAS, currently pending before the State Assembly, is a bill, AB 965 (Levine), which would require the California Department of Housing and Community Development and the Building Standards Commission, by July 1, 2024, or the publication of the next interim California Building Code, whichever comes first, to research, develop, and propose building standards regarding the installation of future electric vehicle charging infrastructure for parking spaces for existing multifamily dwellings and nonresidential development; and

WHEREAS, AB 965 (Levine) would also require the Department of Housing and Community Development and the Building Standards Commission to review the standards for multifamily dwellings and nonresidential development every 18 months to update the standards as needed pursuant to that review; and

WHEREAS, the City of Los Angeles should SUPPORT AB 965 (Levine) because it would require the State to research and develop building standards that further the implementation of electric vehicle infrastructure, thus promoting the use of electric vehicles which reduce carbon emissions that contribute to climate change and smog, thereby improving public health and reducing ecological damage; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, with the concurrence of the Mayor, that by the adoption of this Resolution, the City of Los Angeles hereby includes in its 2021-2022 State Legislative Program SUPPORT AB 965 (Levine), which would require the California Department of Housing and Community Development and the California Building Standards Commission to research, develop, and propose building standards regarding future electric vehicle charging infrastructure for parking spaces at multifamily and non-residential developments.

PRESENTED BY

PAUL KORETZ

Councilmember, 5th District

SECONDED BY: With

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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 governmental body or agency must have first been adopted in the form of a Resolution by the City Council with the concurrence of the Mayor; and

WHEREAS, the City of Los Angeles has a record of standing in support of animal welfare issues; and

WHEREAS, in 2019 the City Council voted to support an ordinance that made it illegal to sell, manufacture, or trade furs or fur clothing and accessories such as coats, handbags, and key chains in the City; and

WHEREAS, in 2020 the City Council voted to ban the use of exotic animals for entertainment purposes, effectively putting an end to traditional circuses and similar ventures within the City; and WHEREAS, pending before the State Legislature are several bills related to protecting animals from inhumane conditions and practices, including AB 702 (Santiago), AB 1282 (Bloom – Wilk), SB 376 (Stern), and AB 534 (Bonta); and

WHEREAS, AB 702 (Santiago) would prohibit a person from establishing or maintaining a dog or cat kennel for breeding purposes without a breeder permit by requiring local jurisdictions to implement a breeder permitting program; and

WHEREAS, AB 1282 (Bloom – Wilk) would allow commercial blood banks to produce blood from community-sourced donor animals and eventually phase out the closed-colony production model, which has kept canine and feline blood donors captive at a facility where their sole purpose is to give blood; and

WHEREAS, SB 376 (Stern) takes several steps to address the multifaceted problem of zoonotic diseases and biodiversity loss, including preventing the live sale for human consumption of certain frogs, turtles, or nonpoultry birds determined to be invasive species or likely to be responsible for zoonotic transmission of a disease; and

WHEREAS, AB 534 (Bonta) would seek to eliminate entanglements of endangered whales and sea turtles in California's trap fisheries by requiring the use of ropeless fishing gear when taking any species of fish for commercial or recreational purposes in any trap fishery by November 1, 2025;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, with the concurrence of the Mayor, that by the adoption of this Resolution, the City of Los Angeles hereby includes in its 2021-2022 State Legislative Program SUPPORT for AB 702 (Santiago), AB 1282 (Bloom – Wilk), SB 376 (Stern), and AB 534 (Bonta), which seek to protect domesticated and wildlife animals from inhumane conditions and practices.

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PRESENTED BY:

BOB BLUMENFIELD Councilmember, 3rd District

Paul Koretz

SECONDED BY:

The past year has seen a tremendous number of large-scale street demonstrations and protests regarding racial justice, police shootings, homelesness, and other pressing issues. It has also seen an increase in the number of arrests and detainments of working journalists assigned to cover those protests.

In September, Los Angeles County sheriff's deputies violently tackled KPCC reporter Josie Huang and arrested her on claims she had interfered with the arrest of a man outside of a hospital where two deputies were being treated for gunshot wounds. The District Attorney refused to press charges when it was proven Huang had identified herself as a journalist.

Last month, Lexis-Olivier Ray of LA TACO received a letter from the Los Angeles city attorney's office notifying him that he faced a criminal charge for failing to follow an LAPD officer's order to disperse during Dodgers victory celebrations, which he was covering, in October. An LA Times investigation found that Ray was the only person charged with failure to disperse among hundreds in the street that night. Free press advocates have expressed concern the action was retaliatory because Ray had recorded and distributed video showing a group of LAPD officers charging toward him, shoving him down and raising their batons as he screamed he was "press." The video amassed more than 400,000 views on Twitter and prompted the LAPD to open an internal affairs investigation.

Last week, several journalists were detained or arrested by LAPD during demonstrations at Echo Lake Park. Those journalists including James Queally of the Los Angeles Times, who was put into zip-ties, even as he had a police-issued credential hanging around his neck, and Kate Cagle of Spectrum News 1 Socal, who clearly identified herself as a reporter and was with her camera crew preparing for a live shot when she was detained. Queally and Cagle were released within hours. Reporters Jonathan Peltz and Kate Gallagher of the independent news outlet Knock LA were held for a longer period of time.

In the days following last week's arrests, reporters have complained that the Los Angeles Police Department tried to confine them to a "press pen" far from the demonstrations they were assigned to cover, that the LAPD has slowed or ceased issuing press credentials, and that LAPD has unclear policies or standards for how members of independent media can become credentialed.

The right of a free press to cover demonstrations, political protest and police activity is essential to a functioning democracy and must be preserved.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Council request LAPD report back on the detaining of journalists in recent protests and demonstrations, including during protests over racial injustice during the summer of 2020, demonstrations after the Dodgers World Series victory the night of October 27, 2020, and demonstrations in Echo Park on March 24-26, 2021. The report should include:

- The number of journalists detained, the duration of their detainment, and reasoning behind such actions;
- Release of all information about arrests of or physical interactions with the press to the public

I FURTHER MOVE that the Council request LAPD report back on procedures and issues surrounding issuing press credentials, including:

- Procedures for recognizing press credentials
- Criteria for issuing credentials
- Technical challenges and average time it takes to issue an LAPD press credential
- Training currently conducted to ensure LAPD quickly and correctly identifies members of the news media at newsworthy events like demonstrations
- Enforcement and discipline for officers who do not follow protocol

I FURTHER MOVE that the Council request LAPD to report back on crowd control procedures involving journalists, including:

- Procedures and protocols LAPD follows to allow journalists freedom of movement to cover events such as demonstrations, including ensuring that members of the news media are exempt from mobility restrictions and curfews
- Training LAPD officers to ensure their awareness of journalists' rights to freedom of movement.

PRESENTED BY:

MIKE BONIN

Councilmember, 11th District

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EVIN DE LEON

Councilmember, 14th District

SECONDED BY:

RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, the City's Disposable Plastic Drinking Straws Ordinance took effect on Earth Day, April 22, 2019, with the intent of significantly mitigating the impact that discarded plastic drinking straws has on the environment; and

WHEREAS, the Ordinance prohibits food and beverage facilities from providing or offering a disposable plastic drinking straw to dine-in customers or take-out customers, except upon the customer's request; and

WHEREAS, the State, like with the City's plastic bag ban, then followed the City's lead by implementing a law that prohibits full-service restaurants from providing disposable plastic drinking straws to customers, unless requested by the customer; and

WHEREAS, in an effort to further mitigate the impact of plastics on the environment and related discarded items, the Council adopted a Motion (CF No. 21-0064) on March 17, 2021, requesting the Bureau of Sanitation and the City Attorney to initiate the development of a Foodware Accessories Upon Request ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the City's ordinance effort would prohibit food and beverage facilities from providing disposable foodware accessories to customers, unless requested by the customer; and

WHEREAS, consistent with the City's effort, the State Legislature introduced AB 1276 (Carillo) which would also seek to prohibit food and beverage facilities, and third-party food delivery platforms, from providing foodware accessories to customers, unless requested by the customer; and

WHEREAS, the provisions of the measure would commence on January 1, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the intent of AB 1276 is consistent with City efforts to minimize the impact of plastics and trash from foodware accessories on local habitats and water bodies, thereby protecting the health and welfare of the environment;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, with the concurrence of the Mayor, that by the adoption of this Resolution, the City of Los Angeles hereby includes in its 2021-2022 State Legislative Program SUPPORT for AB 1276 (Carillo) which would seek to prohibit food and beverage facilities, and third-party food delivery platforms, from providing foodware accessories to customers, unless requested by the customer.

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	Councilmember, 13th District	Councilmember, 2 nd District
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