Los Angeles City Council, Journal/Council Proceeding Friday, July 30, 2021

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, Bonin, Buscaino, Koretz, Krekorian, O'Farrell, Price, Raman, Ridley-Thomas and President Martinez (10); Absent: Cedillo, de León, Harris-Dawson, Lee, Rodriguez (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 Noticed for Public Hearing - PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED

(1) **21-0592 CD 1**

HEARING COMMENTS relative to an Application for Determination of Public Convenience or Necessity for the sale of alcoholic beverages for on-site consumption at Dynasty Typewriter Theater Beer/Wine, located at 2511 West Wilshire Boulevard.

Applicant: Jamie Flam

TIME LIMIT FILE - AUGUST 31, 2021

(LAST DAY FOR COUNCIL ACTION - AUGUST 31, 2021)

(Motion required for Findings and Council recommendations for the above application)

Adopted Item to Continue to September 1, 2021

Ayes: Blumenfield, Bonin, Buscaino, Koretz, Krekorian, Martinez, O'Farrell, Price, Raman, Ridley-Thomas (10); Nays: (0); Absent: Cedillo, de León, Harris-Dawson, Lee, Rodriguez (5)

(2) **21-0690** CD 1

HEARING COMMENTS relative to an Application for Determination of Public Convenience or Necessity for the sale of alcoholic beverages for on-site consumption at El Recreo Room, located at 506 West Avenue 28.

Applicant: Ana Maritza Johnson (Representative: Gypsy Sanchez)

TIME LIMIT FILE - SEPTEMBER 9, 2021

(LAST DAY FOR COUNCIL ACTION - SEPTEMBER 8, 2021)

(Motion required for Findings and Council recommendations for the above application)

Adopted Item to Continue to September 3, 2021 Ayes: Blumenfield, Bonin, Buscaino, Koretz, Krekorian, Martinez, O'Farrell, Price, Raman, Ridley-Thomas (10); Nays: (0); Absent: Cedillo, de León, Harris-Dawson, Lee, Rodriguez (5)

(3) **16-0749 CD 11**

PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT OF BALLOT TABULATION and ORDINANCE FIRST CONSIDERATION relative to establishment of the Venice Beach Business Improvement District (District), pursuant to Section 53753 of the California Government Code, Section 36600 et seq. of the California Streets and Highways Code and Article XIII D of the California Constitution.

Recommendations for Council action, if the tabulation of ballots indicates majority support, SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR:

- PRESENT and ADOPT the accompanying ORDINANCE, dated Monday, June 21, 2021, establishing the District and confirming the assessments to be levied upon properties within the District, as described in the Management District Plan.
- 2. AUTHORIZE the City Clerk, subject to approval of the City Attorney, to prepare, execute and administer an operating agreement between the

City and a non-profit corporation for the administration of the District's programs.

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement:</u> The City Clerk reports that direct costs associated with Department administrative expenses will be charged to the District and will be recovered from assessments collected. Assessment levied on the City-owned properties within the District to be paid from the General Fund total \$470,331.66 for the first year of the District. Funding is available in the Business Improvement District Trust Fund 659 to pay the General Fund share of the assessment for the first operating year.

Proposition 218 requires the separation of general benefits from the special benefits. The general benefit portion for the Venice Beach Business Improvement District is \$31,241.00 for the first year. However, funds other than assessment revenue must be budgeted annually for the general benefit expense for the remaining years of the District's five-year term.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

(Pursuant to Council action on Wednesday, July 28, 2021 and adoption of Ordinance No. 187069 on June 1, 2021)

Adopted Item to Continue to August 3, 2021

Ayes: Blumenfield, Bonin, Buscaino, Cedillo, Koretz, Krekorian, Martinez, O'Farrell, Price, Raman, Ridley-Thomas (11); Nays: (0); Absent: de León, Harris-Dawson, Lee, Rodriguez (4)

(4) **14-0979 CD 11**

PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT OF BALLOT TABULATION and ORDINANCE FIRST CONSIDERATION relative to the establishment of the Westchester Town Center Property Business Improvement District, pursuant to Section 53753 of the California Government Code, Section 36600 et seq. of the California Streets and Highways Code and Article XIII D of the California Constitution.

Recommendations for Council action, if the tabulation of ballots indicates majority support, SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR:

1. PRESENT and ADOPT the accompanying ORDINANCE, dated Friday, June 18, 2021, establishing the District and confirming the

- assessments to be levied upon properties within the District, as described in the Management District Plan.
- 2. AUTHORIZE the City Clerk, subject to approval of the City Attorney, to prepare, execute and administer an operating agreement between the City and a non-profit corporation for the administration of the District's programs.

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement:</u> The City Clerk reports that direct costs associated with Department administrative expenses will be charged to the District and will be recovered from assessments collected. Assessment levied on the City-owned properties within the District to be paid from the General Fund total \$5,398.64 for the first year of the District. Funding is available in the Business Improvement District Trust Fund 659 to pay the General Fund share of the assessment for the first operating year.

Proposition 218 requires the separation of general benefits from the special benefits. The general benefit portion for the Venice Beach Business Improvement District is \$29,839.00 for the first year. However, funds other than assessment revenue must be budgeted annually for the general benefit expense for the remaining years of the District's five-year term.

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

(Pursuant to Council action on Wednesday, July 28, 2021 and adoption of Ordinance No. 187068 on June 1, 2021)

Adopted Item to Continue to August 3, 2021

Ayes: Blumenfield, Bonin, Buscaino, Cedillo, Koretz, Krekorian, Martinez, O'Farrell, Price, Raman, Ridley-Thomas (11); Nays: (0); Absent: de León, Harris-Dawson, Lee, Rodriguez (4)

Items for which Public Hearings Have Been Held

(5) **20-1426 CD 14**

PLANNING AND LAND USE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE REPORT relative to initiating a General Plan Amendment and Zone Change for the five properties located at 5812, 5808, 5800, 5715 Monterey Road, and 5321 Via Marisol.

Recommendation for Council action, as initiated by Motion (de Leon – Price):

INITIATE a General Plan Amendment and Zone Change for the five properties located at 5812, 5808, 5800, 5715 Monterey Road, and 5321 Via Marisol, from Low Medium II and RD1.5 to Neighborhood Commercial and [Q]C4-1VL, consistent with adjacent properties or to another commercial designation and zone as informed by the Department of City Planning's outreach and analysis, to return the properties from their current RD1.5-1 zoning designation to a more appropriate commercial zoning designation.

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.

Adopted Item Forthwith

Ayes: Blumenfield, Bonin, Buscaino, Koretz, Krekorian, Martinez, O'Farrell, Price, Raman, Ridley-Thomas (10); Nays: (0); Absent: Cedillo, de León, Harris-Dawson, Lee, Rodriguez (5)

(6) **21-0482 CD 10**

CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION and RELATED CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) FINDINGS, PLANNING AND LAND USE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE REPORT, RESOLUTION, and ORDINANCE FIRST CONSIDERATION relative to a General Plan Amendment (GPA), Zone Change and Height District Change, for the properties located at 4067-4085 West 3rd Street and 266-272 South Kingsley Drive.

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

- FIND, based on the whole of the administrative record, that the project is exempt from the CEQA pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines, Section 15301, and there is no substantial evidence demonstrating that an exception to a categorical exemption pursuant to CEQA Guidelines, Section 15300.2 applies.
- 2. ADOPT the FINDINGS of the Los Angeles City Planning Commission (LACPC) as the Findings of Council.

- 3. ADOPT the accompanying RESOLUTION, as recommended by the Mayor and the LACPC, approving the GPA to amend the Wilshire Community Plan to re-designate the parcel located at 266 South Kingsley Drive from Low II Residential to Neighborhood Office Commercial, and apply Footnote No. 6 of the Wilshire Community Plan to both parcels located at 4067-4085 West 3rd Street and 266-272 South Kingsley Drive, pursuant to Section 555, 556, and 558 of the City Charter and Section 11.5.6 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC).
- 4. PRESENT and ADOPT the accompanying ORDINANCE, dated January 28, 2021, effectuating a Zone Change for the parcel located at 266 South Kingsley Drive from R1-1 to C2-2D to permit the conversion of 139 guest rooms to light housekeeping rooms, and a Height District Change for both parcels located at 4067-4085 West 3rd Street and 266-272 South Kingsley Drive from Height District 1 to Height District 2D to permit a Floor Area Ratio of 3.18:1; for the conversion of 139 guest rooms to light housekeeping rooms, for the properties located at 4067-4085 West 3rd Street and 266-272 South Kingsley Drive, subject to Conditions of Approval.
- 5. ADVISE the applicant, pursuant to Los Angeles Municipal Code Section 12.32 G:
 - ...property shall not remain in a Q Qualified classification for more than six years unless during that time: (1) there is substantial physical development of the property to allow for one or more of the uses for which the Q Qualified classification was adopted; or (2) if no physical development is necessary, then the property is used for one or more of the purposes for which the Q Qualified classification was adopted... When these time limitations expire, the Q Qualified classification and the authority contained therein shall become null and void, the rezoning proceedings shall be terminated, and the property thereafter may only be utilized for those purposes permitted prior to the commencement of such rezoning proceedings.
- 6. ADVISE the applicant that, pursuant to State Public Resources Code Section 21081.6, the City shall monitor or require evidence that mitigation conditions are implemented and maintained throughout the life of the project and the City may require any necessary fees to cover the cost of such monitoring.
- 7. ADVISE the applicant that, pursuant to State Fish and Game Code Section 711.4, a Fish and Game Fee and/or Certificate of Fee

Exemption is now required to be submitted to the County Clerk prior to or concurrent with the Environmental Notice of Determination filing.

8. INSTRUCT the Department of City Planning to update the General Plan and appropriate maps pursuant to this action.

Applicant: Omninet Kipling, LP

Representative: Mailian and Associates

Case No. CPC-2020-1716-GPA-ZC-HD

Environmental No. ENV-2020-1717-CE

Fiscal Impact Statement:

The LACPC reports that there is no General Fund impact as administrative costs are recovered through fees.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

Adopted Item Forthwith; Ordinance held over to Friday, August 6, 2021 for second reading

Ayes: Blumenfield, Bonin, Buscaino, Koretz, Krekorian, Martinez, O'Farrell, Price, Raman, Ridley-Thomas (10); Nays: (0); Absent: Cedillo, de León, Harris-Dawson, Lee, Rodriguez (5)

(7) **20-1055**

BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT relative to a summary of the Tax Penalty Amnesty Program Fiscal Year 2020-21.

Recommendation for Council action:

NOTE and FILE the Office of Finance report dated June 11, 2021, attached to the Council file, relative to summarizing the 2020 Tax Penalty Amnesty Program, revenue generated, costs, and the number of taxpayers (businesses) for whom penalties were waived and the total amount of penalties waived.

Fiscal Impact Statement: Not applicable.

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

Adopted Item Forthwith

Ayes: Blumenfield, Bonin, Buscaino, Koretz, Krekorian, Martinez, O'Farrell, Price, Raman, Ridley-Thomas (10); Nays: (0); Absent: Cedillo, de León, Harris-Dawson, Lee, Rodriguez (5)

(8) **21-0644**

BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT relative to delinquent accounts receivables submitted by the Los Angeles Housing and Community Investment Department (HCIDLA) and the Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT) to the Collections Board of Review (Board).

Recommendations for Council action:

- 1. APPROVE the Board recommendation to authorize the HCIDLA to remove from its active account receivables, 61 uncollectible invoices totaling \$97,124.71.
- 2. APPROVE the Board recommendation to authorize the LADOT to remove form its active account receivables 1,856 parking citations totaling \$213,601.50.

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement:</u> The Board reports the proposed action will decrease the City's receivable base by \$310,726.21.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

Adopted Item Forthwith

Ayes: Blumenfield, Bonin, Buscaino, Koretz, Krekorian, Martinez, O'Farrell, Price, Raman, Ridley-Thomas (10); Nays: (0); Absent: Cedillo, de León, Harris-Dawson, Lee, Rodriguez (5)

(9) **21-0710**

BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT relative to Municipal Improvement Corporation of Los Angeles (MICLA) financing for the acquisition of equipment in support of the Department of Recreation and

Park's (RAP) Bulky Item Illegal Dumping and Homeless Encampment Cleanup crews.

Recommendations for Council action, SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR, as initiated by Motion (Krekorian - Lee):

- 1. AUTHORIZE MICLA financing in the amount of \$3,119,700 included in the 2021-22 Adopted Budget for the acquisition of equipment in support of RAP's Bulky Item Illegal Dumping and Homeless Encampment Cleanup crews.
- 2. AUTHORIZE the RAP to make any technical corrections, subject to the approval of the City Administrative Officer (CAO), to effectuate the instructions in the Motion.

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

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

Adopted Item Forthwith

Ayes: Blumenfield, Bonin, Buscaino, Koretz, Krekorian, Martinez, O'Farrell, Price, Raman, Ridley-Thomas (10); Nays: (0); Absent: Cedillo, de León, Harris-Dawson, Lee, Rodriguez (5)

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

(10) **21-0737 CD 4**

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CITY ENGINEER relative to initiating vacation proceedings for the portion of Crenshaw Boulevard from 148 feet northeasterly of Olympic Boulevard to 247 feet thereof (VAC-E1401393).

Recommendations for Council action:

 ADOPT the City Engineer report dated June 22, 2021, attached to the Council file, to initiate the vacation proceedings to vacate the portion of Crenshaw Boulevard from 148 feet northeasterly of Olympic Boulevard to 247 feet thereof, as shown on Exhibit A of said City Engineer report, pursuant to California Streets and Highways Code, Division 9, Part 3, Public Streets, Highways and Service Easements Vacation Law.

2. DIRECT the Bureau of Engineering to investigate and report regarding the feasibility of this vacation request.

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement:</u> The City Engineer reports that a fee of \$14,980 was paid by the petitioner for the investigation of this request pursuant to Section 7.42 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code (LAAC). Any deficit fee to recover the cost pursuant to LAAC Section 7.44 will be required of the petitioner.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

Adopted Item Forthwith

Ayes: Blumenfield, Bonin, Buscaino, Cedillo, Koretz, Krekorian, Martinez, O'Farrell, Price, Raman, Ridley-Thomas (11); Nays: (0); Absent: de León, Harris-Dawson, Lee, Rodriguez (4)

(11) **09-0856 CD 2**

CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION, COMMUNICATION FROM THE CITY ENGINEER and RESOLUTION TO VACATE relative to vacating Vantage Avenue from Archwood Street to the alley southerly of Vanowen Street, VAC-E1401145 (Vacation).

Recommendations for Council action:

- 1. REAFFIRM the FINDINGS of March 28, 2018, that the Vacation, pursuant to the City of Los Angeles Environmental Guidelines, is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act of 1970, pursuant to Article III, Class 5(3) of the City of Los Angeles Environmental Guidelines.
- 2. REAFFIRM the FINDINGS of March 28, 2018, that the Vacation is in substantial conformance with the General Plan pursuant to Section 556 of the Los Angeles City Charter.

3. ADOPT the accompanying RESOLUTION TO VACATE No. 21-1401145 for the Vacation.

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

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

Adopted Item Forthwith

Ayes: Blumenfield, Bonin, Buscaino, Cedillo, Koretz, Krekorian, Martinez, O'Farrell, Price, Raman, Ridley-Thomas (11); Nays: (0); Absent: de León, Harris-Dawson, Lee, Rodriguez (4)

(12) **21-0586 CD 9**

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CITY ENGINEER relative to initiating vacation proceedings for the portion of Vermont Avenue northerly of 43rd Street (VAC-E1401398).

Recommendations for Council action:

- ADOPT the City Engineer report dated May 18, 2021, attached to the Council file, to initiate the vacation proceedings to vacate the portion of Vermont Avenue northerly of 43rd Street, as shown on Exhibit A of said City Engineer report, pursuant to California Streets and Highways Code, Division 9, Part 3, Public Streets, Highways and Service Easements Vacation Law.
- 2. DIRECT the Bureau of Engineering to investigate and report regarding the feasibility of this vacation request.

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement:</u> The City Engineer reports that a fee of \$14,980 was paid by the petitioner for the investigation of this request pursuant to Section 7.42 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code (LAAC). Any deficit fee to recover the cost pursuant to LAAC Section 7.44 will be required of the petitioner.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

Adopted Item Forthwith

Ayes: Blumenfield, Bonin, Buscaino, Cedillo, Koretz, Krekorian, Martinez, O'Farrell, Price, Raman, Ridley-Thomas (11); Nays: (0); Absent: de León, Harris-Dawson, Lee, Rodriguez (4)

(13) **09-1060 CD 9**

CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION, COMMUNICATION FROM THE CITY ENGINEER and RESOLUTION TO VACATE relative to vacating a T-Shaped alley westerly of Central Avenue between 45th and 46th Street, VAC-E1401142 (Vacation).

Recommendations for Council action:

- 1. REAFFIRM the FINDINGS of March 21, 2018, that the Vacation, pursuant to the City of Los Angeles Environmental Guidelines, is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act of 1970, pursuant to Article III, Class 5(3) of the City of Los Angeles Environmental Guidelines.
- 2. REAFFIRM the FINDINGS of March 21, 2018, that the Vacation is in substantial conformance with the General Plan pursuant to Section 556 of the Los Angeles City Charter.
- 3. ADOPT the accompanying RESOLUTION TO VACATE No. 21-1401142 for the Vacation.

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

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

Adopted Item Forthwith

Ayes: Blumenfield, Bonin, Buscaino, Cedillo, Koretz, Krekorian, Martinez, O'Farrell, Price, Raman, Ridley-Thomas (11); Nays: (0); Absent: de León, Harris-Dawson, Lee, Rodriguez (4)

(14) **21-0813**

CD 13

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CITY ENGINEER relative to the final map of Tract No. 67269 located at 1245 North New Hampshire Avenue, northerly of Lexington Avenue.

Recommendation for Council action:

APPROVE the final map of Tract No. 67269, located at 1245 North New Hampshire Avenue, northerly of Lexington Avenue and accompanying Subdivision Improvement Agreement and Contract with security documents.

(Bond No. C-138584)

Subdivider: New Hampshire Holding, LLC; Surveyor: Mahmoud Khalili Samani

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement:</u> The City Engineer reports that the subdivider has paid a fee of \$9,064.00 for the processing of this final tract map pursuant to Section 19.02(A) (2) of the Los Angeles Municipal Code. No additional City funds are needed.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

Adopted Item Forthwith

Ayes: Blumenfield, Bonin, Buscaino, Cedillo, Koretz, Krekorian, Martinez, O'Farrell, Price, Raman, Ridley-Thomas (11); Nays: (0); Absent: de León, Harris-Dawson, Lee, Rodriguez (4)

(15) **21-0814 CD 2**

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CITY ENGINEER relative to the final map of Tract No. 73619 located at 11312-11326 Victory Boulevard, westerly of Elmer Avenue.

Recommendation for Council action:

APPROVE the final map of Tract No. 73619, located at 11312-11326 Victory Boulevard, westerly of Elmer Avenue and accompanying Subdivision Improvement Agreement and Contract with security documents.

(Bond No. C-138585)

Owner: NOHO 37, LLC; Surveyor: Karen Korganyan

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement:</u> The City Engineer reports that the subdivider has paid a fee of \$9,064.00 for the processing of this final tract map pursuant to Section 19.02(A) (2) of the Los Angeles Municipal Code. No additional City funds are needed.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

Adopted Item Forthwith

Ayes: Blumenfield, Bonin, Buscaino, Cedillo, Koretz, Krekorian, Martinez, O'Farrell, Price, Raman, Ridley-Thomas (11); Nays: (0); Absent: de León, Harris-Dawson, Lee, Rodriguez (4)

(16) **21-0805**

COMMUNICATION FROM THE OFFICE OF FINANCE (FINANCE) relative to a request for authority to execute a three-year data sharing reciprocal agreement with the State Franchise Tax Board.

Recommendation for Council action:

AUTHORIZE the Director, Finance, to execute a three-year data sharing reciprocal agreement between the City of Los Angeles and the State Franchise Tax Board for the period, January 1, 2021, through December 31, 2023.

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

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

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

Adopted Item Forthwith

Ayes: Blumenfield, Bonin, Buscaino, Cedillo, Koretz, Krekorian, Martinez, O'Farrell, Price, Raman, Ridley-Thomas (11); Nays: (0); Absent: de León, Harris-Dawson, Lee, Rodriguez (4)

Items Called Special

Motions for Posting and Referral - SEE ATTACHED

Council Members' Requests for Excuse from Attendance at Council Meetings

Adjourning Motions - SEE ATTACHED

Council Adjournment

ENDING ROLL CALL

Blumenfield, Bonin, Buscaino, Cedillo, Koretz, Krekorian, O'Farrell, Price, Raman, Ridley-Thomas and President Martinez (11); Absent: de León, Harris-Dawson, Lee, Rodriguez (4)

Whereupon the Council did adjourn.

ATTEST: Holly L. Wolcott, CITY CLERK

Ву

Council Clerk

PRESIDENT OF THE CITY COUNCIL

COMMENDATORY RESOLUTIONS

MOVED BY	SECONDED BY	NAME
Ridley-Thomas	Price	Ron Miller

ADJOURNING MOTIONS

MOVED BY	SECONDED BY	NAME
Ridley-Thomas – Price -	All Councilmembers	Malcom Bennett
Koretz		
O'Farrell	All Councilmembers	Saginaw Grant
Blumenfield	All Councilmembers	Marshall Resnick

MOTION

Florence Mills (born Florence Winfrey; January 25, 1896 – November 1, 1927), billed as the "Queen of Happiness," was an American cabaret singer, dancer, and comedian known for her effervescent stage presence and delicate voice. The wide-eyed beauty reigned over the 1920's as one of the most popular African American performers of the Jazz Age.

Mills frequently traveled to Los Angeles from Harlem to perform at various theatres on Central Avenue like the Globe Theatre which once stood on the current site of the Florence Mills Apartments. She was also a passionate advocate for equal rights and received wide acclaim for her song "I'm a Little Blackbird" which was a plea for racial equality.

In 1936, the Globe Theatre, built in 1912 on South Central Avenue, was renamed the Florence Mills Theatre in honor of Mills. The theatre was later demolished in March 2013. In recognition of Mills and the historic theatre that bore her name, it is appropriate that the City erect permanent signage recognizing this important location in the South Central Neighborhood of Los Angeles.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Department of Transportation be instructed to erect permanent ceremonial sign(s) at 3511 Central Avenue in recognition of the historic location of the Florence Mills Theatre.

PRESENTED BY:

CURREN D. PRICE, JR.

Councilmember, 9th District

SECONDED BY:

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MOTION

The vast Navajo Nation is spread out over the states of Utah, Colorado, Arizona and New Mexico, an area roughly 27,0000 miles - the largest of any recognized tribal reservation in the United States. Although numbers are hard to come by, reports indicate that there are over 15,000 families without access to power infrastructure of any kind, including mobile and internet access. Since the Spring of 2019, the Navajo Tribal Utility Authority (NTUA) has partnered with the American Public Power Association (APPA) on a program titled 'Light Up Navajo', an effort to bring power and infrastructure to all corners of the Navajo Nation.

The original pilot resulted in 233 families having new access to power and amenities. Unfortunately, due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, the 2020 program was rescheduled, pushing back access to power for hundreds of Navajo families. Although delayed, phase II eventually delivered access to power for over 700+ families. Phase III will begin in the Spring of 2022, and the City of Los Angeles should participate in this critical work.

The infrastructure placement and future work needs within the Navajo Nation have similar conditions to those found in Los Angeles. The similarity in placement of power infrastructure allows for a mutually beneficial program, where LADWP line workers can both donate time and expertise, while furthering training standards for employees. The Sacramento Municipal Utility District (SMUD) is so far the only California-based utility to be part of Light Up Navajo.

For over 40 years, since the 1970s, the City of Los Angeles purchased inexpensive coal power from the now closed and shuttered Navajo Generating Station (NGS). After decades of benefiting from receiving low cost power, the City divested and removed itself as a principle partner from the old NGS site. Recently, CF:19-1585 (O'Farrell-Martinez) was adopted by the Council, establishing the goal to create the largest photovoltaic resilience project in the country, generating over 400 MW of power and 300 MW of battery storage. As the City creates this new partnership with the Navajo Nation, now is the time for the City to further mutual aid efforts and join #LightUpNavajo, bringing power to families in need, while creating a pathway for training and education of DWP staff.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the City Council REQUEST the Department of Water and Power to participate in Light Up Navajo as a mutual aid program, and report to council on this collaboration.

Presented By:

MITCH O'FARRELL

Councilmember, District13

Seconded By:

MOTION

On December 3, 2019, the City Council approved the use of \$70,352 of taxable CRA/LA Excess Bond Proceeds available to Council District 15, including any earned interest, from the Beacon Street Redevelopment Project Area toward a Small Business Façade Project (C.F. 14-1174-S69). Subsequent to this action, it was determined that a Small Business Façade Project was not feasible due to the limited amount of funding available to support the project. Therefore, Council should approve these funds for another eligible use.

The Topaz Parking Structure located at 222 West 6th Street in San Pedro is a commercial parking facility that serves the retail needs of the area. In an effort to support the existing and future needs of the business community, City staff have been working closely with the building ownership, the Chamber of Commerce, and the Business Improvement District to identify improvements needed to the parking facility. Those improvements include but are not limited to a mechanical parking garage arm and valet machine. Council action is needed to reprogram the CRA/LA funds for this purpose.

In accordance with policies adopted by Council (C.F. 14-1174) related to the CRA/LA Bond Expenditure Agreement and Bond Spending Plan, any proposal to expend CRA/LA Excess Bond Proceeds shall be initiated by Council Motion. Proposals will be reviewed by the CRA/LA Bond Oversight Committee, Economic Development Committee, and any other applicable committee with final recommendations presented to the Council and Mayor for final consideration and approval. The use of taxable CRA/LA Excess Bond Proceeds toward capital improvements to the Topaz Parking Facility in the Beacon Street Redevelopment Project Area is identified as an eligible expense in the Bond Expenditure Agreement and Bond Spending Plan.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Council action of December 3, 2019, relative to approving the use of \$70,352 in taxable CRA/LA Excess Bond Proceeds available to Council District 15, including any earned interest from the Beacon Street Redevelopment Project Area to the Small Business Façade Project (C.F. 14-1174-S69) BE RECINDED and that the funds related be reverted to its original source.

I FURTHER MOVE that the Economic and Workforce Development Department, with the assistance of the City Administrative Officer, Chief Legislative Analyst, Department of Transportation, and any other applicable City department, provide a report with recommendations to the CRA/LA Bond Oversight Committee to allocate \$70,352 in taxable CRA/LA Excess Bond Proceeds available to Council District 15, including any current and future earned interest, for the Topaz Parking Improvements Project, a capital improvement project located at 222 West 6th Street in San Pedro, as identified in the Bond Expenditure Agreement and Bond Spending Plan for the Beacon Street Redevelopment Project Area.

I FURTHER MOVE that \$70,352 in taxable CRA/LA Excess Bond Proceeds available to Council District 15 from the Beacon Street Redevelopment Project Area, including any current and future earned interest, be utilized by the Department of Transportation to fund the Topaz Parking Improvements Project upon City Council approval of the forthcoming EWDD report.

PRESENTED BY:

Councilmember, 15th District

SECONDED BY:

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PLANNING & LAND USE MANAGEMENT

MOTION

The *Champlain Towers South*, located at 8777 Collins Avenue in Surfside, Florida, partially collapsed on June 24, 2021. The property was a twelve-story condominium building which has now been demolished. Many lives were tragically lost—98 people have been confirmed dead, all of whom have been identified, and 11 injured; since its occurrence one month ago.



Many of the city's high-rise residential structures are located primarily in Century City; Downtown; and along the Wilshire corridor. It is imperative that the City identify any buildings that may be structurally vulnerable, and that could potentially pose a threat to the public health and safety of its residents and commercial tenants. The City needs to ensure that the residential and commercial tenants of these high-rise buildings are safe and protected from any and all harm, and as such, these buildings must be assessed to prevent a tragedy similar to that which occurred in Surfside, Florida in Miami-Dade County.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Council instruct the Department of Building and Safety, with the assistance of the Bureau of Engineering, and the Fire Department, to prepare a report with recommendations relative to the following: 1) existing inspection protocols for high-rise buildings, including but not limited to, the frequency of inspections and structural, geological, topographical and environmental/climate related considerations; 2) best practices for the inspection of our high-rise buildings, and steps that can be taken to prevent the type of tragic event that occurred in Surfside, Florida; and 3) preparation of maps that identify the location by Council District of all high-rise buildings in the City, and their most recent structural inspections or reviews, with particular concentration on Century City; Downtown; and the Wilshire corridor.

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TRANSPORTATION

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Urban aviation is quickly becoming an option for both passengers and for the transportation of goods. Known broadly as Advanced Aerial Mobility (AAM), this emerging technology has the potential to become an integral component of a city's multimodal network and transform the way people, goods, and emergency services move around metropolitan areas.

AAM transports people and goods for low-altitude, short-distance regional trips. While it has the potential to create new mobility options that improve how people and goods travel, it could also lead to increases in noise pollution, air pollution, privacy and public safety concerns, and socioeconomic impacts if policymakers do not proactively establish a robust regulatory framework.

Commercial drones are used for jobs ranging from inspecting power lines, buildings, and crops, to aerial photography and the transport of small items. According to Drone Industry Insights, a German research firm, the value of this market reached \$22.5 billion in 2020 and will increase in future years.

In August 2020, Amazon received federal approval through the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) to operate its fleet of Prime Air delivery drones. While the Prime Air fleet is not ready to immediately deploy package deliveries at scale, it is actively flying and testing the technology. Additionally, in April 2021, Alphabet-owned Wing became the first drone delivery company to receive FAA approval for commercial deliveries in the U.S. The United States Postal Service also won approval from the FAA in October 2020 to operate a fleet of drones as an airline.

New aviation operators are already seeking opportunities to develop infrastructure in Los Angeles, including converting parking garages and existing heliports to vertiports (or stations where people or cargo can be loaded onto AAM aircraft). The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), the federal body which governs navigable airspace, has committed to signing off on commercial operations by late 2023 or early 2024.

Since 2018, the Los Angeles Department of Transportation has explored key areas for government engagement on the issues of urban aviation. As the use of AAM and commercial drones continues to grow, it is critical that the City examine opportunities to protect local control and set regulations that reflect the complex urban environment, and the transportation needs of local residents.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Council instruct the Department of Transportation, the Department of City Planning, and other relevant departments, to report on the current permitting and regulatory environment for AAM, including commercial drone operations, and recommendations for a local regulatory framework and permitting in the City, as well as an appropriate fee structure.

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HOUSING

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HOMELESSNESS AND POVERTY

Expanding Housing Options to Help More Homeless Individuals Transition from the Streets through a Housing Now Fund

On March 3, 2021, the Los Angeles City Council unanimously instructed City staff to develop a framework to establish a Right to Housing in the City of Los Angeles (City). Subsequently, on May 13, 2021 and June 24, 2021 the Los Angeles Housing Department provided updates on the plan to create a cohesive Right to Housing framework to organize and scale up the City's response to the homelessness crisis. A Right to Housing is predicated on four components: homelessness prevention, adequate interim housing including specialized mental health beds, sufficient permanent affordable and supportive housing, and effective street engagement. These four components must work seamlessly to build a robust and responsive system that effectively prevents and addresses the homeless crisis that profoundly impacts communities across the City.

On July 2, 2021, the City Council directed staff to develop and implement a standardized Street Engagement Strategy that would provide robust and uniform street engagement in order to connect with unsheltered individuals and help them transition from the streets to housing. In response, on July 28, 2021, the City Administrative Officer released the first-ever Citywide Street Engagement Strategy, which will be further discussed, refined and enhanced. However, the success of the Citywide Street Engagement Policy will be predicated on the ability to provide people experiencing homelessness with sustainable housing opportunities.

"Street to Home" initiatives, which have been piloted across the City, have demonstrated the efficacy of deploying street engagement staff that provide dedicated outreach and engagement at particular encampments with the goal of rehousing each person living at the site. The dedicated street engagement team is able to develop relationships with those experiencing homelessness at the site, link them to specialized services such as mental health resources and legal assistance, and critically, connect them to the most appropriate housing options. If sufficiently resourced, this model has demonstrated that it is possible to help individuals swiftly transition from the streets to more sustainable housing options.

Successful street engagement requires an adequate supply of affordable and supportive housing that is readily available to place unhoused clients without delay. Ongoing subsidized rental assistance, especially for those on the street who are coping with serious health, mental health and substance abuse issues, is a necessary and costeffective strategy to help end not just an episode of homelessness, but chronic homelessness for many living on the streets of Los Angeles. While Project Roomkey and the Bridge Home shelters have been valuable additions to the housing toolkit to provide swift opportunities to bring individuals indoors, these beds represent temporary placements and the clients in these situations will ultimately require a long-term housing placement.

Currently, over 60% of the homeless crisis in the County of Los Angeles (County) is located in the City. According to the most recent data provided by LAHSA, the City, in collaboration with the County, has expanded the homelessness safety net to approximately 15,000 shelter beds and 24,600 permanent housing slots. However, this supply remains insufficient to address the crisis on our streets – as it has been estimated that 28,000 Angelenos remain unhoused.

It is the responsibility of the City Council to double down on resources to invest in re-housing strategies that can be operationalized efficiently and effectively. Moreover, it is critical that we build a balanced system to prevent individuals from remaining stuck in shelter beds without a viable exit strategy to transition into long-term housing. Without a long-term placement readily available, individuals will continue to occupy a shelter bed that can assist other unsheltered individuals transition from the street. Experts assert that a balanced system would have five permanent housing beds available for each interim housing bed.

The State of California's budget for Fiscal Year 2021-22 includes \$4.8 billion in new one-time resources for programs including Homekey, new capital for permanent housing, and local grants. To fully take advantage of these capital investment opportunities, localities need an infusion of ongoing subsidized rental subsidies to fund the operating costs.

Ongoing subsidized rental assistance, especially for those on the street who are coping with serious health, mental health and substance abuse issues, is a necessary and cost-effective strategy to help end not just an episode of homelessness, but chronic homelessness for many living on the streets of Los Angeles. One of the premier rental assistance programs is overseen and operated by the County of Los Angeles' Department of Health Services' Housing for Health Program, and provides flexible rental assistance that targets those with complex health issues. The County's flexible rental assistance has helped over 9,000 Angelenos transition off the streets into long-term housing and stay housed owing to the intensive case management services that accompanies each recipient of rental assistance. An infusion of ongoing rental assistance funded by the City, coupled with intensive case management and supportive services provided by the County, would provide the expansion of resources to swiftly and sustainably house those living on the streets - specifically targeting those with serious health and mental health needs. The agreement between the County and the City could be formulated in a similar manner to the Memorandum of Understanding executed in 2017 which jointly committed City Proposition HHH and County Measure H funds to create more housing and provide supportive services, respectively.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the City Administrative Officer and the Chief Legislative Analyst seek to work in partnership with the County of Los Angeles' (County) Chief Executive Officer and the County's Director of the Department of Health Services to:

 Support the implementation of the City of Los Angeles' Street Engagement Strategy and Right to Housing framework by identifying funding to increase flexible rental housing subsidies through a partnership with the County's Department of Health Services that targets clients in the City of Los Angeles who have significant health and mental health needs (Housing Now Program);

- Direct the City Administrative Officer with the Housing Authority of the City of Los Angeles, and the Los Angeles Housing Department, to report to the Los Angeles City Homelessness and Poverty Committee within 30 days on the operating or rental subsidy needs of the current pipeline of interim and permanent supportive housing, including projects in the Roadmap, Homekey Round 1, HHH projects, other City-funded Supportive Housing Projects, and prospective Homekey Round 2 projects; and
- 3. Report back to the Los Angeles City Homelessness and Poverty Committee in 30 days with recommendations to create the Housing Now Program, memorialized by a Memorandum of Understanding between the City and County of Los Angeles, with the objective of doubling the program by creating a minimum of 10,000 ongoing flexible housing subsidies.

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