Los Angeles City Council, Journal/Council Proceeding Tuesday, February 28, 2023

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, Harris-Dawson, Hernandez, Krekorian, Lee, McOsker, Raman, Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (10); Absent: de León, Hutt, Park, Price Jr. (4)

Approval of the Minutes

Commendatory Resolutions, Introductions and Presentations

Multiple Agenda Item Comment

Public Testimony of Non-agenda Items Within Jurisdiction of Council

Items Noticed for Public Hearing - PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED

(1) **23-0065 CD 5**

HEARING COMMENTS relative to an Application for Determination of Public Convenience or Necessity for the sale of alcoholic beverages for off-site consumption at Star Mini Market, located at 9601 West Venice Boulevard.

Applicant: Juresha Alemayehu / Dawith Alemayehu - DJA Twenty Investments Inc.

Representative: Juresha Alemayehu / Dawith Alemayehu - DJA Twenty Investments Inc.

TIME LIMIT FILE - APRIL 17, 2023

(LAST DAY FOR COUNCIL ACTION - APRIL 14, 2023)

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

Adopted Motion (Yaroslavsky – Soto-Martinez) - SEE ATTACHED Ayes: Blumenfield, Harris-Dawson, Hernandez, Krekorian, Lee, McOsker, Raman, Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (10); Nays: (0); Absent: de León, Hutt, Park, Price Jr. (4)

(2) **23-0075** CD 14

HEARING COMMENTS relative to an Application for Determination of Public Convenience or Necessity for the sale of alcoholic beverages for onsite consumption at Rome Nightclub, located at 333 South Figueroa Street.

Recommendations for Council action:

- DETERMINE that the issuance of a liquor license at Rome Nightclub, located at 333 South Figueroa Street, will serve the Public Convenience or Necessity and will not tend to create a law enforcement problem.
- GRANT the Application for Determination of Public Convenience or Necessity for the sale of alcoholic beverages for on-site consumption at Rome Nightclub, located at 333 South Figueroa Street.
- 3. INSTRUCT the City Clerk to transmit this determination to the State Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control as required findings under Business and Professions Code Section 23958.4.

Applicant: Dennis L. Smith - D'Camp Hospitality Group LLC

Representative: Elizabeth Peterson - Elizabeth Peterson Group

TIME LIMIT FILE - APRIL 20, 2023

(LAST DAY FOR COUNCIL ACTION - APRIL 20, 2023)

Adopted Item

Ayes: Blumenfield, Harris-Dawson, Hernandez, Krekorian, Lee, McOsker, Raman, Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (10); Nays: (0); Absent: de León, Hutt, Park, Price Jr. (4)

Items for which Public Hearings Have Been Held

(3) **23-0177**

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE REPORT relative to extending the appointment of Ms. Connie Llanos as interim General Manager of the Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT) pursuant to City Charter Section 508 (c).

Recommendation for Council action:

APPROVE the re-appointment of Ms. Connie Llanos as the Interim General Manager, LADOT, pursuant to City Charter Section 508 (c).

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

Adopted Item

Ayes: Blumenfield, Harris-Dawson, Hernandez, Krekorian, Lee, McOsker, Raman, Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (10); Nays: (0); Absent: de León, Hutt, Park, Price Jr. (4)

(4) **20-0841-S30**

CD 11, CD 13, CD 14STATUTORY EXEMPTION FROM THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) PURSUANT TO STATE CEQA GUIDELINES SECTION 15269(c), PUBLIC RESOURCES CODE (PRC) SECTION 21080(b)(4) and PRC SECTION 21080.27 (AB 1197); HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS and BUDGET, FINANCE AND INNOVATION COMMITTEE REPORTS relative to lease extension for continued use of the Crisis and Bridge Housing at 1215 North Lodi Place, 711 North Alameda Street (El Puente), and 11303 Pershing Avenue (West LA - VA Campus); the 15th report regarding COVID-19 Homelessness Roadmap funding recommendations; and related matters.

A. HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS COMMITTEE REPORT

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

- 1. DETERMINE the actions that allow for the lease extension and continued use of the Crisis and Bridge Housing sites at 1215 North Lodi Place, 711 North Alameda Street (El Puente), and 11303 Pershing Avenue (WLA VA Campus) are statutorily exempt from California Environmental Quality Act under PRC Section 21080(b)(4), as specific actions necessary to prevent or mitigate an emergency as also reflected in the State CEQA Guidelines Section 15269(c); and under PRC Section 21080.27 (AB 1197) applicable to City of Los Angeles homeless shelters, as referenced in the Notice of Exemption dated January 26, 2023, attached to the Council file.
- 2. APPROVE Recommendation Nos. 1 through 25 and Nos. 27 through 30, contained in the City Administrative Officer (CAO) report dated January 26, 2023, attached to the Council file No. 20-0841-S30.
- 3. REPLACE Recommendation Nos. 7 and 16 contained in the CAO report dated January 26, 2023, attached to the Council file, respectively, with the following:
 - a. REQUEST the Los Angeles Homeless Service Authority to amend its Fiscal Year (FY) 2022-23 operation contracts with The People Concern in the amount of \$707,752.92 to reimburse for the operations costs gap for FY 2021-22.
 - b. AUTHORIZE the transfer of up to \$72,000 of Homeless Housing, Assistance, and Prevention Round 2 (HHAP-2) Fund No. 64J/10, Account No. 10V753, CD 15 600 East 116th Place Tiny Home Village (THV) to HHAP-2 Fund No. 64J/10, in a new account entitled "6073 North Reseda Boulevard THV Pallets", of wich \$72,000 has been expended and encumbered udner a Purchase Order for pallet shelters that were meant for the project at 600 East 116th Place in Council District 15 and that

will now be used for the THV at 6073 North Reseda Boulevard in Council District 3.

B. BUDGET, FINANCE AND INNOVATION COMMITTEE REPORT

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

- 1. CONCUR with the February 1, 2023 actions of the Housing and Homelessness Committee meeting.
- APPROVE \$978, 576 from AHS-GCP Fund No. 100/56, Account No. 000931 to Fund No. 10A/43, Account No. 43WC11, Los Angeles Continuum of Care Administration for direct service funding of LAHSA administrative staff through June 30, 2023, Recommendation No. 26 of the CAO report dated January 26, 2023, attached to the Council file No. 20-0841-S30.

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement:</u> The CAO reports that there is no impact to the General Fund as a result of the recommendations in this report at this time. The recommendations in this Report will be funded with the City's General Fund approved for homelessness interventions Additional Homeless Services - General City Purposes as well as: HHAP-2; Emergency Solutions Grant - CARES Act; and the County service funding commitment from FY 2021-22 and FY 2022-23.

<u>Financial Policies Statement:</u> The CAO reports that the recommendations in this report comply with the City's Financial Policies in that budgeted funds and grant funds are being used to fund recommended actions.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

Adopted Motion (Blumenfield – Krekorian) - SEE ATTACHED Ayes: Blumenfield, Harris-Dawson, Hernandez, Krekorian, Lee, McOsker, Raman, Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (10); Nays: (0); Absent: de León, Hutt, Park, Price Jr. (4)

(5) **23-0091 CD 2**

MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION, MITIGATION MONITORING PROGRAM, PLANNING AND LAND USE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE REPORT, RESOLUTION, and ORDINANCE FIRST CONSIDERATION relative to a General Plan Amendment, Zone Change and Height District Change for the property located at 5256 – 5272 North Vineland Avenue.

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

- 1. FIND, pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines Section 15074(b), after consideration of the whole of the administrative record, including the Mitigated Negative Declaration, No. ENV-2020-1947-MND, and all comments received, with the imposition of mitigation measures, there is no substantial evidence that the Project will have a significant effect on the environment; FIND the Mitigated Negative Declaration reflects the independent judgment and analysis of the City; FIND the mitigation measures have been made enforceable conditions on the Project; and ADOPT the Mitigated Negative Declaration and the Mitigation Monitoring Program prepared for the Mitigated Negative Declaration.
- 2. ADOPT the FINDINGS of the Los Angeles City Planning Commission (LACPC) as the Findings of Council.
- 3. ADOPT the accompanying RESOLUTION, dated February 14, 2023, as recommended by the Mayor and the LACPC APPROVING a General Plan Amendment to exclude the Project Site from the General Plan Footnote Number 4, establishing a three-story and 45-foot height limit within the Industrial land use designations.
- 4. PRESENT and ADOPT the accompanying ORDINANCE, dated August 25, 2022, to effectuate a Zone Change and Height District Change from CM1VL to (T)(Q)CM2D, pursuant to Los Angeles Municipal Code Section 12.32; for the demolition of an existing, one-story, approximately 14,300-square-foot commercial manufacturing building and construct a five-story, 62 feet in height, 98,413 square-foot mixed-use building, the Project would include 94,785 square feet of household storage space, 740 square feet of associated management office space, and 2,888 square feet of

artist incubator/support/studio space ("artist space"), the Project includes 28 vehicular parking spaces and 36 bicycle parking spaces in an at-grade parking level shielded from the street frontage by the ground level artist/incubator/studio space, the Project would be built on an approximately 30,000-square-foot lot resulting in a Floor Area Ratio of approximately 3.28:1; for the property located at 5256 – 5272 North Vineland Avenue, subject to Conditions of Approval.

- 5. INSTRUCT the Department of City Planning to update the General Plan and appropriate maps pursuant to this action.
- 6. 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.

- 7. ADVISE the applicant that, pursuant to California 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.
- 8. 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.

Applicant: Jake Walker, LG Vineland Storage, LLC

Representative: Alix Wisner, Armbruster Goldsmith & Delvac LLP

Case No.: CPC-2020-1946-GPA-ZC-HD-CU-SPR-RDP

Environmental No.: ENV-2020-1947-MND

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement:</u> The LACPC reports that there is no General Fund impact as administrative costs are recovered through fees.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

Adopted Item; Ordinance held over to March 7, 2023 Ayes: Blumenfield, Harris-Dawson, Hernandez, Krekorian, Lee, McOsker, Raman, Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (10); Nays: (0); Absent: de León, Hutt, Park, Price Jr. (4)

(6) **21-1083-S1**

PLANNING AND LAND USE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE REPORT relative to proposed ordinance language for amendments to Article 4, Chapter X of the Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC) to implement the Annual Application process, enhance the Social Equity Program, and streamline existing processes.

Recommendations for Council action:

- 1. APPROVE the proposed amendments as outlined in the report from the Department of Cannabis Regulation (DCR) dated February 16, 2023, attached to the Council file.
- 2. REQUEST the City Attorney to prepare and present a draft ordinance to effectuate the proposed amendments as outlined in the DCR report dated February 16, 2023, attached to the Council file.
- 3. AUTHORIZE the City Attorney, with the assistance of the DCR, to make technical corrections as necessary to the proposed amendments included in the DCR report dated February 16, 2023, attached to the Council file, and/or include additional technical

amendments to Article 4, Chapter X of the LAMC to implement the proposed amendments, as well as Mayor and Council intentions.

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement:</u> None submitted by the DCR. 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 as Amended by Motion (Harris-Dawson – Hernandez) - SEE ATTACHED

Ayes: Blumenfield, de León, Harris-Dawson, Hernandez, Krekorian, Lee, McOsker, Raman, Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (11); Nays: (0); Absent: Hutt, Park, Price Jr. (3)

(7) **21-1349 CD 8**

CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION and PLANNING AND LAND USE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the inclusion of Hung Sa Dahn, located at 3421 - 3423 South Catalina Street, in the list of Historic-Cultural Monuments.

Recommendations for Council action:

- 1. DETERMINE that the proposed designation is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), pursuant to Article 19, Section 15308, Class 8 and Article 19, Section 15331, Class 31 of the State CEQA Guidelines.
- 2. DETERMINE that the subject property conforms with the definition of a Monument pursuant to Section 22.171.7 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code.
- 3. ADOPT the FINDINGS of the Cultural Heritage Commission (CHC) as the Findings of Council.

4. APPROVE the recommendations of the CHC relative to the inclusion of Hung Sa Dahn, located at 3421 - 3423 South Catalina Street, in the list of Historic-Cultural Monuments.

Applicant: Michelle Magalong, Asian and Pacific Islander Americans in Historic Preservation

Owner: Korean History and Cultural Heritage Preservation

Case No. CHC-2021-5125-HCM

Environmental No. ENV-2021-5126-CE

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement:</u> None submitted by the CHC. 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

Ayes: Blumenfield, de León, Harris-Dawson, Hernandez, Krekorian, Lee, McOsker, Raman, Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (11); Nays: (0); Absent: Hutt, Park, Price Jr. (3)

(8) **22-1592**

PERSONNEL, AUDITS, AND HIRING COMMITTEE REPORT relative to Targeted Local Hire (TLH) and Bridge to Jobs Program position and funding requests for the period January 1, 2023 through June 30, 2023.

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

 RESOLVE and APPROVE, subject to allocation by the Board of Civil Service Commissioners, the following 70 positions, to be employed in the Departments indicated, to further the City's commitment to hiring employees through the TLH and Bridge to Jobs Programs for the period January 1, 2023 through June 30, 2023:

Department	No.	Class Code	Title
Animal Services	1	1358	Administrative Clerk
Animal Services	6	4310	Animal Care Technician
City Administrative Officer	2	1358	Administrative Clerk
City Planning	1	1358	Administrative Clerk
City Planning	1	1223	Accounting Clerk
Community Investment for Families	1	1358	Administrative Clerk
Fire	3	1358	Administrative Clerk
General Services	4	1358	Administrative Clerk
General Services	1	1223	Accounting Clerk
General Services	20	3156	Custodian
Information Technology Agency	, 5	1461-2	Communication Information Representative II
Personnel	4	1358	Administrative Clerk
Personnel	2	1223	Accounting Clerk
Public Works, Board of Public Works	2	1358	Administrative Clerk
Public Works, Bureau of Contract Administration	2	1358	Administrative Clerk
Public Works, Bureau of Contract Administration	1	1223	Accounting Clerk
Public Works, Bureau of Street Lighting	1	1358	Administrative Clerk
Public Works, Bureau of Street Lighting	1	1223	Accounting Clerk
Public Works, Bureau of Street Lighting	1	1832-1	Warehouse and Toolroom Worker I
Public Works, Bureau of Street Lighting	2	3112	Maintenance Laborer

Youth Development 1		1461-2	Communication Information Representative II
Youth Developm	nent 1	9053	Community Services Representative
Zoo	2	1358	Administrative Clerk
Zoo	2	3156	Custodian
<u>Zoo</u>	<u>2</u>	3141	Gardener Caretaker
Total:	70		

2. TRANSFER \$1,277,015 from the Unappropriated Balance No. 58, General Fund No. 100, Account No. 580340 entitled Targeted Local Hire to the following Departmental accounts:

	ept No.	Department	Fund	Account	Title	Amount
0	6	Animal Services	100	1010	Salaries General	\$154,114
1	0	City Administrative Officer	100	1010	Salaries General	41,384
1	9	Youth Development	100	1010	Salaries General	44,025
2	1	Community Investment for for Families	100	1010	Salaries General	20,692
3	8	Fire	100	1010	Salaries General	60,076
4	0	General Services	100	1010	Salaries General	313,419
3	2	Information Technology Agency	100	1010	Salaries General	114,840
6	6	Personnel	100	1010	Salaries General	136,638
6	8	City Planning	100	1010	Salaries General	47,627
7	4	Public Works, Board of Public Works	100	1010	Salaries General	41,384

76	Public Works, Bureau of Contract Administration	100	1010	Salaries General	68,319
84	Public Works, Bureau of Street Lighting	100	1010	Salaries General	110,705
87	Zoo	100	1010	Salaries General	121,792
				Total:	\$1,227,015

- 3. TRANSFER \$6,293,985 from the Unappropriated Balance No. 58, General Fund No. 100, Account No. 580340 entitled Targeted Local Hire to a new account within the Unappropriated Balance entitled Reserve for Ongoing Costs from the 2022-23 Targeted Local Hire Program with said funds to be held in this account and reverted at the close of 2022-23 to the Reserve Fund to offset the 2023-24 costs associated with the new positions approved during 2022-23.
- AUTHORIZE the City Administrative Officer (CAO) to make technical corrections as necessary to those transactions included in this report to implement Mayor and Council intentions.
- 5. DIRECT the CAO to develop a process to facilitate the prioritization of TLH and Bridge to Jobs eligible position authorities within the annual Budget process in order to avoid interim position authorities, so that these positions may be considered within the context of overall budgetary priorities.

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement:</u> The CAO reports that approval of the recommendations contained in the January 24, 2023 CAO report, attached to the Council File, will result in a transfer of \$1,277,631 from the Unappropriated Balance to various City Departments to hire employees through the TLH and Bridge to Jobs Programs in 2022-23. This transfer should be sufficient for the estimated expenditures for the 70 new positions authorized as part of this report for Fiscal Year (FY) 2022-23. In order to continue these positions in 2023-24, Departments will need to request continued resolution authority as part of the 2023-24 budget process. The annual ongoing cost including direct salary and related costs

for the continuation of 70 positions in 2023-24 is approximately \$6.1 million. Transferring the remaining funding from the Unappropriated Balance to a new account for fiscal year 2023-24 costs will offset this ongoing cost in the short term.

Financial Policies Statement: The CAO reports that the recommendations contained in the January 24, 2023 CAO report, attached to the Council File, are in partial compliance with the City's Financial Policies. While budgeted funding is available in the current fiscal year for anticipated expenditures, the City's Financial Policies recommend considering the City's ability to pay for future year expenses and also recommends avoiding one-time funds for ongoing programs and services. Since the recommended TLH and Bridge to Jobs positions will continue beyond FY 2022-23, the CAO has calculated the going costs to be approximately \$6.1 million in 2023-24. Therefore, the CAO is recommending transferring the remaining funds to be held in the Unappropriated Balance in a new account for 2023-24 costs that will be reverted to the Reserve Fund to offset the increased expenditure in 2023-24.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

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

Adopted Item as Amended by Motion (Harris-Dawson – McOsker) - SEE ATTACHED

Ayes: Blumenfield, de León, Harris-Dawson, Hernandez, Krekorian, Lee, McOsker, Raman, Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (11); Nays: (0); Absent: Hutt, Park, Price Jr. (3)

(9) **23-0178**

TRADE, TRAVEL, AND TOURISM and TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEES' REPORT relative to proposed superseding Freeway Agreement with the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) in connection with the State Route-47 (SR-47)/Vincent Thomas Bridge and Front Street/Harbor Boulevard Interchange Reconfiguration Project.

Recommendation for Council Action:

AUTHORIZE the Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT), in compliance with Section 100.22 of the California Streets and Highways Code, to execute the superseding Freeway Agreement, attached to the

Council File, with the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), approved by the City Attorney to form and legality, to reflect improvements along the SR-47 Freeway and adjacent local streets, which will occur during construction of the SR- 47/Vincent Thomas Bridge and Front Street/Harbor Boulevard Interchange Reconfiguration Project.

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement:</u> The LADOT reports that there is no impact to the General Fund.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

Adopted Item Forthwith

Ayes: Blumenfield, Harris-Dawson, Hernandez, Krekorian, Lee, McOsker, Raman, Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (10); Nays: (0); Absent: de León, Hutt, Park, Price Jr. (4)

(10) **19-1532 CD 15**

ADMINISTRATIVE EXEMPTION and TRADE, TRAVEL, AND TOURISM COMMITTEE REPORT relative to approving the First Amendment to Agreement Nos. 22-3678A, 22-3679A, 22-3691-A, and the Second Amendment to Agreement No. 22-3680-B, for on-call construction management services.

Recommendations for Council action:

- ADOPT the determination by the Board of Harbor Commissioners (Board) that the proposed action is administratively exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) in accordance with Article II, Section 2(f) of the Los Angeles City CEQA Guidelines.
- 2. APPROVE Port of Los Angeles Resolution No. 22-10077 authorizing proposed approval of the First Amendment to Agreement Nos. 22-3678-A, 22-3679-A, 22-3681-A, 22-3682-A, and the Second Amendment to Agreement No. 22-3680-B.

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement:</u> The Board reports that there is no impact to the

General Fund.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

Adopted Item Forthwith

Ayes: Blumenfield, Harris-Dawson, Hernandez, Krekorian, Lee, McOsker, Raman, Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (10); Nays: (0); Absent: de León, Hutt, Park, Price Jr. (4)

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

(11) **11-0005-S761 CD 10**

COMMUNICATION FROM THE LOS ANGELES HOUSING DEPARTMENT (LAHD) and RESOLUTION relative to removing the property at 5333 West Smiley Drive (Case No. 678522), Assessor I.D. No. 5043-017-024, from the Rent Escrow Account Program (REAP).

Recommendation for Council action:

APPROVE the LAHD report recommendation dated February 17, 2023, attached to the Council file, and ADOPT the accompanying RESOLUTION removing the property at 5333 West Smiley Drive (Case No. 678522), Assessor I.D. No. 5043-017-024, from the REAP.

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement:</u> None submitted by the LAHD. 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.

Adopted Item

Ayes: Blumenfield, Harris-Dawson, Hernandez, Krekorian, Lee, McOsker, Raman, Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (10); Nays: (0); Absent: de León, Hutt, Park, Price Jr. (4)

(12) **23-0005-S39 CD 10**

COMMUNICATION FROM THE LOS ANGELES HOUSING DEPARTMENT (LAHD) and RESOLUTION relative to removing the

property at 1420 South Harvard Boulevard (Case No. 767508), Assessor I.D. No. 5074-006-011, from the Rent Escrow Account Program (REAP).

Recommendation for Council action:

APPROVE the LAHD report recommendation dated February 17, 2023, attached to the Council file, and ADOPT the accompanying RESOLUTION removing the property at 1420 South Harvard Boulevard (Case No. 767508), Assessor I.D. No. 5074-006-011, from the REAP.

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement:</u> None submitted by the LAHD. 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.

Adopted Item

Ayes: Blumenfield, Harris-Dawson, Hernandez, Krekorian, Lee, McOsker, Raman, Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (10); Nays: (0); Absent: de León, Hutt, Park, Price Jr. (4)

(13) **23-0005-\$40 CD 1**

COMMUNICATION FROM THE LOS ANGELES HOUSING DEPARTMENT (LAHD) and RESOLUTION relative to removing the property at 1443 South Burlington Avenue (Case No. 511160), Assessor I.D. No. 5135-006-019, from the Rent Escrow Account Program (REAP).

Recommendation for Council action:

APPROVE the LAHD report recommendation dated February 17, 2023, attached to the Council file, and ADOPT the accompanying RESOLUTION removing the property at 1443 South Burlington Avenue (Case No. 511160), Assessor I.D. No. 5135-006-019, from the REAP.

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement:</u> None submitted by the LAHD. 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

Ayes: Blumenfield, Harris-Dawson, Hernandez, Krekorian, Lee, McOsker, Raman, Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (10); Nays: (0); Absent: de León, Hutt, Park, Price Jr. (4)

(14) **23-0005-S41 CD 1**

COMMUNICATION FROM THE LOS ANGELES HOUSING DEPARTMENT (LAHD) and RESOLUTION relative to removing the property at 415 South Avenue 20 (Case No. 737702), Assessor I.D. No. 5410-020-008, from the Rent Escrow Account Program (REAP).

Recommendation for Council action:

APPROVE the LAHD report recommendation dated February 17, 2023, attached to the Council file, and ADOPT the accompanying RESOLUTION removing the property at 415 South Avenue 20 (Case No. 737702), Assessor I.D. No. 5410-020-008, from the REAP.

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement:</u> None submitted by the LAHD. 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

Ayes: Blumenfield, Harris-Dawson, Hernandez, Krekorian, Lee, McOsker, Raman, Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (10); Nays: (0); Absent: de León, Hutt, Park, Price Jr. (4)

(15) **22-1545**

RESOLUTION relative to the Declaration of Local Emergency by the Mayor, dated December 12, 2022, concerning homelessness in the City of Los Angeles, pursuant to the provisions of the Los Angeles Administrative Code (LAAC) Section 8.27.

Recommendation for Council action:

ADOPT the accompanying RESOLUTION to:

- a. Resolve that a local emergency regarding homelessness existed in the City of Los Angeles (City) within the meaning of Los Angeles Administrative Code (LAAC) Section 8.21, et seq., at the time of the Mayor's December 12, 2022, Declaration of Local Emergency, which the City Council hereby ratifies.
- b. Resolve that because the local emergency continues to exist within the City, within the meaning of LAAC Section 8.21, et seq., there is a need to continue the declared state of local emergency, which the City Council hereby ratifies and continues through 30 days from the adoption of this Resolution.

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- c. Resolve that the declaration of the state of local emergency, pursuant to its terms, shall terminate on June 12, 2023, unless the City Council directs otherwise.
- d. Approve and resolve that the competitive bidding restrictions enumerated in Charter Section 371(e)(6) and LAAC Sections 10.15 and 10.17 be suspended for contracts entered into by City departments, in response to the local emergency and mitigation efforts related to the homelessness emergency, with this suspension remaining in effect until September 1, 2023 or the termination of the proclaimed emergency, whichever comes first.
- e. Insofar as the public interest and necessity demand the immediate expenditure of public funds to safeguard life, health or property, authorize the City Administrative Officer and City departments, upon direction of the Mayor, to order any action relative to the procurement of construction contracts, service provider contracts, supplies, and equipment for homelessness facilities to safeguard life, health or property caused by the proclaimed local emergency.
- f. Resolve that the City Administrative Officer shall report every two weeks to the City Council on the reasons justifying why such aforesaid action was necessary to respond to the emergency, including why the emergency did not permit a delay resulting from a competitive solicitation for bids or proposals and why competitive proposals or bidding was not reasonably practicable or compatible with the City's interests.

- g. In accordance with LAAC Section 8.21 et seq., instruct and request all appropriate City departments, agencies, and personnel to continue to perform all duties and responsibilities to represent the City in this matter to prevent and abate the emergency and receive, process, and coordinate all inquiries and requirements necessary to obtain whatever State and Federal assistance that may become available to the City and/or to the citizens of the City who may be affected by the emergency.
- h. Instruct the General Manager, Emergency Management Department, to advise the Mayor and City Council on the need to extend the state of local emergency.
- i. Instruct the City Clerk to forward copies of this Resolution to the Governor of the State of California, the Director of the Office of Emergency Services of the State of California, the Los Angeles County Office of Emergency Management, and the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors.

Adopted Item

Ayes: Blumenfield, Harris-Dawson, Hernandez, Krekorian, Lee, McOsker, Raman, Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (10); Nays: (0); Absent: de León, Hutt, Park, Price Jr. (4)

Items Called Special

Motions for Posting and Referral

Council Members' Requests for Excuse from Attendance at Council Meetings

Closed Session

(16) **23-0113**

The City Council may recess to Closed Session, pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1), to confer with its legal counsel relative to the case entitled Raul Barberena v. City of Los Angeles, et al., Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 20STCV42175. (This matter arises from a

complaint of discrimination based on sexual orientation, hostile work environment harassment, and retaliation in violation of the California Fair Employment & Housing Act against the City and Miguel Vanegas.)

(Budget, Finance and Innovation Committee considered the matter in Closed Session on February 13, 2023)

Adopted Motion (Blumenfield – Yaroslavsky) in Open Session - SEE ATTACHED Ayes: Blumenfield, Harris-Dawson, Hernandez, Krekorian, Lee, McOsker, Raman, Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (10); Nays: (0); Absent: de León, Hutt, Park, Price Jr. (4)

(17) **23-0114**

The City Council may recess to Closed Session, pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1), to confer with its legal counsel relative to the case entitled <u>Vinson L. Durham v. City of Los Angeles</u>, Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 20STCV44105. (This matter arises from a bicycle accident that occurred on August 7, 2020, near 120 West Florence Avenue, in the City of Los Angeles.)

(Budget, Finance and Innovation Committee considered the matter in Closed Session on February 13, 2023)

Adopted Motion (Blumenfield – Yaroslavsky) in Open Session - SEE ATTACHED Ayes: Blumenfield, Harris-Dawson, Hernandez, Krekorian, Lee, McOsker, Raman, Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (10); Nays: (0); Absent: de León, Hutt, Park, Price Jr. (4)

(18) **23-0115**

The City Council may recess to Closed Session, pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1), to confer with its legal counsel relative to the case entitled <u>Katheryn Henry v. City of Los Angeles</u>, Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 21STCV08583. (This matter arises from an automobile collision that occurred on August 31, 2020, on the 210 westbound freeway, near Balboa Boulevard, in Los Angeles.)

(Budget, Finance and Innovation Committee considered the matter in Closed Session on February 13, 2023)

Adopted Motion (Blumenfield – Yaroslavsky) in Open Session - SEE ATTACHED Ayes: Blumenfield, Harris-Dawson, Hernandez, Krekorian, Lee, McOsker, Raman, Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (10); Nays: (0); Absent: de León, Hutt, Park, Price Jr. (4)

(19) **23-0120**

The City Council may recess to Closed Session, pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1), to confer with its legal counsel relative to the case entitled <u>Gabriel Fajardo v. City of Los Angeles</u>, et al., Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 20STCV27886. (This matter arises from Plaintiff's claims of retaliation, harassment, and discrimination.)

(Budget, Finance and Innovation Committee considered the matter in Closed Session on February 13, 2023)

Adopted Motion (Blumenfield – Price) in Open Session - SEE ATTACHED Ayes: Blumenfield, Harris-Dawson, Hernandez, Krekorian, Lee, McOsker, Raman, Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (10); Nays: (0); Absent: de León, Hutt, Park, Price Jr. (4)

Adjourning Motions - SEE ATTACHED

Council Adjournment

ENDING ROLL CALL

Blumenfield, de León, Harris-Dawson, Hernandez, Krekorian, Lee, McOsker, Raman, Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (11); Absent: Hutt, Park, Price Jr. (3)

Whereupon the Council did adjourn.

ATTEST: Holly L. Wolcott, CITY CLERK

By

Council Clerk

PRESIDENT OF THE CITY COUNCIL

ADJOURNING MOTIONS

MOVED BY	SECONDED BY	NAME
De Leon	All Members	Michael "J.B." Allen

VIA

MOTION

I MOVE that the matter of an Application for Determination of Public Convenience or Necessity for the sale of alcoholic beverages for off-site consumption at Star Mini Market, located at 9601 W. Venice Boulevard, Los Angeles, CA 90034, Item 1 on today's Council Agenda (Council File No. 23-0065), BE AMENDED to ADOPT the following:

- 1. DETERMINE that the issuance of a liquor license at Star Mini Market, located at 9601 W. Venice Boulevard, Los Angeles, CA 90034, will serve the Public Convenience or Necessity and will not tend to create a law enforcement problem.
- GRANT the Application for Determination of Public Convenience or Necessity for the sale
 of alcoholic beverages for off-site consumption at Star Mini Market, located at 9601 W.
 Venice Boulevard, Los Angeles, CA 90034.
- 3. INSTRUCT the City Clerk to transmit this determination to the State Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control as required findings under Business and Professions Code Section 23958.4.

PRESENTED BY:

KATY YAROSLAVSKY

Councilwoman, 5th District

SECONDED BY:



PK

MOTION

I HEREBY MOVE, for the matter of a lease extension for continued use of the Crisis and Bridge Housing at 1215 North Lodi Place, 711 North Alameda Street (El Puente), and 11303 Pershing Avenue (West LA – VA Campus); the 15th report regarding COVID-19 Homelessness Roadmap funding recommendations; and related matters (Council file No. 20-0841-S30), that Council:

ADOPT the Housing and Homelessness Committee report and the Budget, Finance and Innovation Committee report.

PRESENTED BY	
	BOB BLUMENFIELD
	Councilmember, 3rd District
SECONDED BY_	
	PAUL KREKORIAN
	Councilmember, 2nd District

February 28, 2023 CF 20-0841-S30

ITEM No. 6-A

MOTION

I MOVE that the matter of the Planning and Land Use Management Committee Report relative to proposed ordinance language amendments to Article 4, Chapter X of the Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC) to implement the Annual Application process, enhance the Social Equity Program, and streamline existing processes, Item No. 6 on today's Council Agenda (C.F. 21-1083-S1) BE AMENDED to request the City Attorney to include an urgency clause in the ordinance to effectuate the proposed amendments as outlined in the Department of Cannabis Regulation's (DCR) report dated February 16, 2023, attached to the Council file, inasmuch as the majority of these provisions relate to the DCR's annual licensing process and ensures that the City retains the existing licensed cannabis market before the State's provisional license program ends, as well as addresses public health implications if consumers revert to unlicensed cannabis retailers.

PRESENTED BY:

MARQUEECE HARRIS-DAWSON

Councilmember, 8th District

SECONDED BY:



MOTION

I MOVE that the matter of the Personnel, Audits and Hiring Committee Report, Item No 8. on today's Council Agenda (CF 22-1592), **BE AMENDED** to add resolution authorities without funding in the Personnel Department for 11 requested Targeted Local Hire Administrative Clerk positions.

PRESENTED BY:

MARQUEECE HARRIS-DAWSON Councilmember, 8th District

SECONDED BY

2/28/23 Council – Regular Meeting Agenda Closed Session

MOTION

I HEREBY MOVE that the Council ADOPT the following recommendations in order to effect settlement in the case entitled <u>Raul Barberena v. City of Los Angeles</u>, et al., Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 20STCV42175. (This matter arises from a complaint of discrimination based on sexual orientation, hostile work environment, harassment, and retaliation in violation of the California Fair Employment & Housing Act against the City and Miguel Vanegas.) **SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR:**

- 1. AUTHORIZE the City Attorney's Office and the Department of General Services to expend up to \$275,000 in settlement of the above-entitled matter.
- AUTHORIZE the Controller's Office to transfer \$235,000 from the Liability Claims Fund No. 100/59, Account No. 009798, Miscellaneous Liability Payouts, to Fund No. 100/59, Account No. 009791, General Services Liability Payouts.
- 3. AUTHORIZE the City Attorney to draw a demand from Fund No. 100/59, Account No. 009791, General Services Liability Payouts, as follows:
 - a. \$100,200 to Raul Barberena for non-payroll income.
 - b. 134,800 to Pairavi Law P.C., Attorney at Law for attorney's fees and costs.
- 4. AUTHORIZE the Department of General Services to draw a demand from Fund No. 100/40, Account No. 1070, as needed, payable to Raul Barberena for backwages in the amount of \$40,000, subject to all applicable taxes, payroll deductions, and withholdings.
- 5. AUTHORIZE the City Attorney, or designee, to make necessary technical adjustments, subject to the approval of the City Administrative Officer, and authorize the Controller to implement the instructions.

This matter was recommended for approval by the Budget, Finance and Innovation Committee (Blumenfield – Yaroslavsky – McOsker – Rodriguez: "Yes") at its meeting held on February 13, 2023, in Closed Session as permitted by Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1).

PRESENTED BY_	
	BOB BLUMENFIELD
	Councilmember, 3rd District

SECONDED BY _		_
	KATY YAROSLAVSKY	
	Councilmember, 5th District	

AS 2/13/23 CF 23-0113

2/28/23 Council – Regular Meeting Agenda Closed Session

MOTION

I HEREBY MOVE that the Council ADOPT the following recommendations in order to effect settlement in the case entitled <u>Vinson L. Durham v. City of Los Angeles</u>, Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 20STCV44105. (This matter arises from a bicycle accident that occurred on August 7, 2020, near 120 West Florence Avenue, in the City of Los Angeles.) **SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR:**

- 1. AUTHORIZE the City Attorney's Office to expend up to **\$600,000** in settlement of the above-entitled matter.
- 2. AUTHORIZE the City Attorney to draw a demand from Fund No. 100/59, Account No. 009798, Miscellaneous Liability Payouts, as follows: The Law Office of Kenneth Townsend and Vinson L. Durham in the amount of \$600,000.
- 3. AUTHORIZE the City Attorney, or designee, to make necessary technical adjustments, subject to the approval of the City Administrative Officer, and authorize the Controller to implement the instructions.

This matter was recommended for approval by the Budget, Finance and Innovation Committee (Blumenfield – Yaroslavsky – McOsker – Rodriguez: "Yes") at its meeting held on February 13, 2023, in Closed Session as permitted by Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1).

PRESENTED BY	
_	BOB BLUMENFIELD
	Councilmember, 3rd District
SECONDED BY _	
	KATY YAROSLAVSKY
	Councilmember 5th District

AS 2/13/23 CF 23-0114

2/28/23 Council – Regular Meeting Agenda Closed Session

MOTION

I HEREBY MOVE that the Council ADOPT the following recommendations in order to effect settlement in the case entitled <u>Katheryn Henry v. City of Los Angeles</u>, Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 21STCV08583. (This matter arises from an automobile collision that occurred on August 31, 2020, on the 210 westbound freeway, near Balboa Boulevard, in Los Angeles.) **SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR:**

- 1. AUTHORIZE the City Attorney's Office to expend up to **\$875,000** in settlement of the above-entitled matter.
- AUTHORIZE the Controller's Office to transfer \$875,000 from the Liability Claims Fund No. 100/59, Account No. 009798, Miscellaneous Liability Payouts, to Fund No. 100/59, Account No. 009790, Fire Liability Payouts.
- 3. AUTHORIZE the City Attorney to draw a demand from Fund No. 100/59, Account No. 009790, Fire Liability Payouts, as follows: Thon Beck Vanni Callahan & Powell and Katheryn Henry in the amount of \$875,000.
- 4. AUTHORIZE the City Attorney, or designee, to make necessary technical adjustments, subject to the approval of the City Administrative Officer, and authorize the Controller to implement the instructions.

This matter was recommended for approval by the Budget, Finance and Innovation Committee (Blumenfield – Yaroslavsky – McOsker – Rodriguez: "Yes") at its meeting held on February 13, 2023, in Closed Session as permitted by Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1).

PRESENTED BY_	
	BOB BLUMENFIELD
	Councilmember, 3rd District
SECONDED BY _	
	KATY YAROSLAVSKY
	Councilmember, 5th District

ITEM NO. 19

2/28/23 Council – Regular Meeting Agenda Closed Session

MOTION

I HEREBY MOVE that the Council ADOPT the following recommendation in order to effect settlement in the case entitled <u>Gabriel Fajardo v. City of Los Angeles</u>, et al., Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 20STCV27886. (This matter arises from Plaintiff's claims of retaliation, harassment, and discrimination.):

REJECT the Plaintiff's offer of settlement.

This matter was recommended for approval by the Budget, Finance and Innovation Committee (Blumenfield – Price – Yaroslavsky – McOsker – Rodriguez: "Yes") at its meeting held on February 13, 2023, in Closed Session as permitted by Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1).

PRESENTED BY_	
_	BOB BLUMENFIELD
	Councilmember, 3rd District
SECONDED BY	
	CURREN D. PRICE, JR.
	Councilmember, 9th District

AS 2/13/23 CF 23-0120 TO CITY CLERK FOR PLACENSINE ON MEXIT AND 1

MOTION

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:

MOTION

I MOVE that the Bureau of Street Services be authorized to accept an initial payment of \$75,000 (a second payment of \$75,000 will be paid at a future date), paid by the Melrose Avenue Business Improvement District [BID) to cover the cost of the design and construction of the Melrose Avenue Pedestrian Improvement Project which spans from Fairfax Avenue to Highland Avenue in the area represented by the BID, and to cause this amount to be deposited into the Street Services Fund No. 100-86, as follows: \$59,601 into Account No. 001090 (Salaries - Overtime), \$10,333 into Account No 003030 (Construction Materials) and \$5,066 into Account No. 006020 (Operating Supplies & Expense).

I FURTHER MOVE that the Bureau of Street Services be authorized to make any corrections, clarifications, or revisions to the above fund transfer instructions, including any new instructions, in order to effectuate the intent of this Motion, and including any corrections and changes to fund or account numbers; said corrections / clarifications / changes may be made orally, electronically or by any other means.

PRESENTED BY:

KATY YAROSLAVSKY

Councilwoman, 5th District

SECONDED BY:



MOTION

Nearly one in five people have a disability in the United States. Further, 13 percent of children enrolled in public school (about 6.7 million) receive services for needs ranging from autism to hearing impairment. Whether a child has cognitive issues, mobility challenges, or both, the design of most urban play areas inadvertently excludes a significant portion of the population playgrounds were built to serve.

In 2010, the Department of Justice revised the 1990 Americans with Disabilities Act, changing the accessibility standards for playgrounds. The new rules mandate that compliant playgrounds be accessible via ramps and barrier-free travel routes, include a range of accessible play options, and provide an appropriate surface beneath all accessible equipment. A major aspect of making a playground more accessible is the equipment. In San Pedro, the installation of an "accessibility swing" or "supportive swing" (constructed with a harness and tall back support) at Bogdanovich Recreation Center has proven to be a minor, but important, change that has resulted in the ability for an increased use of the park. Identifying upgrades for park equipment that yield to higher accessibility and usage of our city parks is crucial for a more equitable future.

The City of Los Angeles' Department of Recreation and Parks currently has several "Universally Accessible Playgrounds" where children of all abilities can play side-by-side. A universally accessible design is one that enriches a sensory-rich environment to enable children to develop physically, socially, and emotionally. The Department has a goal of developing additional "Accessible Play" playgrounds and is working to identify more parks citywide which could be enlarged or otherwise accommodate installation of a mid-sized playground to help the vision become a reality.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the City Council request the Department of Recreation and Parks, with the assistance of the City Administrative Officer, report with an update on goals related to "Accessible Play" as well as the parks eligible for upgrades to become "Universally Accessible Playgrounds", specifically those in Council District 15. This report should include an inventory of the existing "Universally Accessible Playgrounds" citywide as well as any funding needs for these sites.

PRESENTED BY:

TIM McOSKER

Councilmember, 15th 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; and

WHEREAS, existing law authorizes a peace officer or an employee who directs traffic or enforces parking laws and regulations to remove or immobilize a vehicle when it is found on a highway or on public land, or removed pursuant to the California Vehicle Code, and has been issued five or more notices of parking violations; and

WHEREAS, existing law also requires the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) to refuse to renew the registration of a vehicle if the owner has been mailed a notice of a delinquent parking violation and if there are unpaid parking penalties; and

WHEREAS, pending before the Legislature is AB 1082 (Kalra), which would delete the authority of a peace officer or public employee, as appropriate, to remove or immobilize a vehicle under those circumstances; and

WHEREAS, the legislation would modify the authority to remove a vehicle with a registration expiration date in excess of six months found or operated on the highway, public lands, or an off-street parking facility, by extending that period to one year, and repeal the related authority to conduct a lien sale to cover towing and storage expenses; and

WHEREAS, AB 1082 would also prohibit the DMV from refusing to renew the registration of a vehicle unless the registered owner has eight or more parking violations, and would modify payment plans for indigent persons;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that by the adoption of this Resolution, the City of Los Angeles hereby includes in its 2023-2024 State Legislative Program OPPOSITION to AB 1082 (Kalra), which would delete the authority of a peace officer or public employee to remove or immobilize a vehicle found on a highway or on public land, or removed pursuant to the California Vehicle Code, and has been issued five or more notices of parking violations, and make other technical changes.

PRESENTED BY:

JOHN'S, LEE

Councilmember, 12th District

SECONDED BY:

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, the history of the use of police canines in this country can be traced back to slave catchers, Jim Crow, and retaliation against the Civil Rights movement; and

WHEREAS, police canines are inextricably linked with the dehumanization and abuse of Black Americans and People of Color in the United States; and

WHEREAS, in more recent memory, police canines have been used in response to the 1992 Rodney King Uprisings and the Black Lives Matter protests in 2020; and

WHEREAS, Department of Justice data from 2016-2019 showed that Black people are 3.5 times more likely than any other group to be subjected to police canine use of force; and

WHEREAS, currently pending before the State Assembly is a bill, AB 742 (Jackson/Kalra); and

WHEREAS AB 742 would prohibit the use of an unleashed police canine by law enforcement to apprehend a person, and any use of a police canine for crowd control; and

WHEREAS the City of Los Angeles should support AB 742 as a step toward both ending harmful police practices and toward racial justice;

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 2023-2024 State Legislative Program support of AB 742 (Jackson/Kalra), Law enforcement: police canines, which would prohibit the use of an unleashed police canine by law enforcement to apprehend a person, and any use of a police canine for crowd control.

PRESENTED BY

EUNISSES HERNANDEZ

Councilmember, 1st District

SECONDED BY:

PK

MOTION

The Riverwood Ranch community in Sunland was established in 1910 and currently consists of roughly 35 parcels. Oro Vista Avenue—connecting the residents of the Riverwood Ranch community to the Sunland-Tujunga area—serves as a paved access from this hillside community.

Its location within the Tujunga Wash and low traffic volumes, Oro Vista Avenue was built as an Arizona style crossing, which is a low-water culvert crossing where a road dips across a normally dry creek bed or drainage area. However, Oro Vista Avenue has become more prone to severe flooding during the wet weather season. In addition, the Big Tujunga Dam, located further upstream, must, on occasion, release water during extreme weather events, further exacerbating flooding in this area and isolating residents from access to emergency services during storm events.

The Big Tujunga Wash comes with its unique set of issues resulting from multiple jurisdictions having ownership along various segments of the Wash. It is therefore important to bring together all partners to identify solutions for better managing flooding and maintaining passable access during wet weather events.

I THEREFORE MOVE the Bureau of Engineering, Bureau of Sanitation, Bureau of Street Services, the Los Angeles Fire Department, and all other relevant City departments, report back to Council in 15 days with solutions for addressing the flooding and access issues at Oro Vista Avenue at Big Tujunga Canyon Road and improvements that will prevent future access closures.

I FURTHER MOVE the Bureau of Engineering, with assistance from the Office of the City Administrative Officer, report back in 15 days on available funding options for the needed improvements and continued maintenance cost associated.

PRESENTED B

MONICA RODRIGUEZ

Councilwoman, 7th District

SECONDED BY:



MOTION

As a result of Friday and Saturday's (Feb 24-25) record breaking winter storm, the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP) has experienced Level 3 damage to the electrical system, which is on par with the level of damage LADWP expects from a magnitude 6 earthquake or higher. An overwhelming number of neighborhoods across Los Angeles experienced and are continuing to experience multi-day power outages. Over 140,000 households across LA have had their service restored, but more than 12,000 are still currently without power.

Many of the outage incidents were due to high winds and heavy rains toppling trees that took down power poles and power lines, requiring crews to first take time to clear trees and repair poles before power could be restored. In other parts of the City, outages were a result of flooding and water intrusion into underground electrical systems, requiring crews to go from vault to vault to identify the source of the damage before repairs could take place, which can also be time-consuming.

While LADWP deployed all available personnel throughout the City, restoration times were still above 48 hours for most households which caused significant difficulties for residents and businesses, especially given the cold weather that accompanied the storm. Compounding the stress and frustration felt by many ratepayers was the limited information available on the LADWP Power Outage map, and the inconsistent information sent via the robocall system.

As the climate continues to change, we know that we expect to see longer, more severe, and more frequent heat storms, droughts, rain events, and other extreme conditions. Therefore, it is crucial that our power system is better able to withstand extreme weather conditions, including hardening the system, increasing available staffing when extreme weather is expected, and improving Department communication systems, protocols, and information sharing with other key departments to ensure the public gets the information they need during emergencies.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the City Council instruct LADWP to immediately report to the City Council regarding the status of power outages throughout the City associated with the recent storm events; including the main causes by area, its response to the loss of service experienced by residents and businesses, and recommendations on system hardening against future extreme weather events.

I FURTHER MOVE that the City Council instruct LADWP to report on its staffing and operations, and whether its current staff level is adequate to respond to multiple power outages and urgent



situations throughout the City; and ways it can improve its operations in order to mitigate the loss of service in the future.

I FURTHER MOVE that the City Council instruct LADWP to report on its data collection, outage notifications, and public communication protocols used during the recent storm events; and ways these protocols can be improved to ensure reliable information is provided to impacted residents and businesses in real time.

I FURTHER MOVE that the City Council instruct LADWP to coordinate with the Emergency Management Department (EMD) on their report back under CF 23-0214 related to managing and responding to weather-related emergencies and identifying channels for the communication of critical safety information between City departments, Council offices, and residents.

PRESENTED BY:

KATY YAROSLAVSKY

Councilwoman, 5th District

NITHYA RAMAN

Councilmember, 4th District

BUDGET & FINANCE

Council District (CD) 7 seeks to supplement the education of our youth as often as possible by investing in enrichment programs, job opportunities, or educational activities that do not necessarily have to take place in formal classroom spaces. At times, these strategies allow us the opportunity to remediate and utilize once prohibitive city-owned spaces. Through work with the Bureau of Sanitation (BOS), one burgeoning opportunity is the development of community gardens that provide year-round urban greening and agriculture education and the promotion of environmental stewardship at the local grassroots levels for our youth.

A major obstacle to overcome is the overwhelming presence of brownfield sites that were abandoned from long ago companies and factories that tainted our most important resource – the land. With the advancement of science and technology along with the adoption of more intentional sustainable policies, we are now allowed to directly address toxic sites commonly called brownfields. The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has reissued funding to partner with agencies and entities that lead to measurable environmental or public health results in communities that are disproportionately burdened by materials that provide harm and risk to their daily lives. The EPA's Environmental Justice Government-to-Government Program seeks to create model government programs that address public health risks. The grant seeks to leverage existing resources from state or local agencies that develop tools and processes that integrate environmental justice into government programs.

CD 7 and the BOS propose that three underutilized and undevelopable city-owned sites, including one brownfield, are ideal funding opportunities for these EPA dollars by remediating the brownfield, revitalizing land for the community to safely utilize, and developing an opportunity for youth to learn and engage in urban greening and environmental stewardship. The three potential urban garden projects already have community support in Mission Hills, North Hills, and Pacoima. The BOS Citywide Brownfields Program is the City of Los Angeles' centralized brownfields program that oversees and manages brownfields grants and projects. Any City department will need to coordinate with the Citywide Brownfields Program for assistance with their funding applications. This is essential to avoid conflict that may inhibit the City's ability to apply to brownfield funding when limiting factors and eligibility requirements are imposed by the funding agency.

In order to pursue this opportunity, the City Council must authorize the BOS to apply for the EPA Government-to-Government grant with these three community garden proposals. City staff and potential community partners believe the proposals are very competitive and BOS staff have already completed due diligence analysis including environmental assessments such as Phase I Environmental Site Assessments (ESAs) or Phase II ESAs and developed working scope elements for each site.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Bureau of Sanitation be authorized to apply for the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Government-to-Government Environmental Justice grant to leverage funds that will remediate brownfield sites in Council District (CD) 7, redevelop the sites and design community gardens, and create enrichment programming that educates youth on urban gardening and agriculture.

I FURTHER MOVE that the Bureau of Sanitation be instructed to report, with the assistance of the City Administrative Officer, on the authority to accept the potential award and divulge any and all administrative and legislative requirements of the City to leverage those EPA funds to fulfill the project scope.

PRESENTED F

MONICA RODRIG

Councilwoman, 7th District

SECONDED BY: / Coung



MOTION

TRANSPORTATION

Six years ago, a roadway widening project was initiated at the intersection of Ventura Boulevard and Woodman Avenue in Sherman Oaks. This project was advertised and awarded and ready to begin construction early this year. Since the inception of this project, the City of Los Angeles and the State of California have both refined and reprioritized their mobility goals to emphasize reducing Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT), increasing our transit ridership, improving active transportation safety and comfort, and improving accessibility for those with mobility disabilities. These priorities reflect an overarching goal of reducing our Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Emissions; according to 2020 California Air Resources Board data, 38% of our GHG Emissions come from the Transportation sector.

In the City of Los Angeles, the Circulation Element of the General Plan (Mobility Plan 2035) explicitly reorients our approach to intersection treatments and the transportation projects we undertake. Policy 1.1 of Mobility Plan 2035, is the first policy listed and is our guiding star: "Roadway User Vulnerability: Design, plan, and operate streets to prioritize the safety of the most vulnerable roadway user." Roadway widenings for the purpose of adding vehicular capacity and throughput are typically counterproductive to pedestrian safety and comfort. Additionally, the increase in vehicular capacity generally increases VMT, contrary to the current State and City goals.

Some elements of the project are in line with improving pedestrian safety and some elements reflect a demonstrated engineering need. Namely, the improvement of existing curb ramps with accessible unidirectional curb ramps and the reconstruction of existing catch basins on the east side of Woodman Avenue, south of Ventura Boulevard. These project elements should remain. However, the widening of the roadway should be removed from the project scope, and replaced with other features and improvements, in line with the City's mobility goals.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the City Council instructs the Bureau of Engineering, with the assistance of the Bureau of Street Services, the Bureau of Street Lighting, and the Department of Transportation, to report back within 60 days with a rescoping of the project at the intersection of Ventura Boulevard and Woodman Avenue to prioritize safety and accessibility for people walking, bicycling and taking transit, and for persons with mobility disabilities. The following features should be considered for inclusion:

- Reconstruction of catch basins on the east side of Woodman Ave and improvement of the flowline;
- Construction of ADA accessible unidirectional curb ramps for all four corners of the intersection of Woodman Avenue and Ventura Boulevard;
- Shortening of the crosswalk at Woodman Avenue along the north leg;
- Widening of the sidewalks on Woodman Avenue north of Ventura Boulevard to the alley north of Ventura Boulevard and improvement of the ADA path of travel;
- Curb extensions at all corners and bus bulbs or islands at any transit stop located on the near side or far side of the intersection of Woodman Avenue and Ventura Boulevard;
- Planting and establishment of as many street trees as possible; and
- Recommendations for lighting improvements or additions at the intersection including street lighting and pedestrian-scaled lighting, especially at transit stops.



I FURTHER MOVE that the City Council instructs the Bureau of Engineering to terminate the active project entitled "Ventura Boulevard and Woodman Avenue Improvements," Work Order No. E1908174 and terminate the construction contract awarded as Contract No. C-138493.

I FURTHER MOVE that the City Council instructs the Bureau of Engineering to negotiate all associated costs with the termination of Contract No. C-138493 and any remaining funds in the Engineering Special Services Fund No. 682, Department No. 50, Appropriation Unit No. 50MVBW entitled "Ventura at Woodman Intersection Improvements" be transferred / appropriated as a new project at the intersection of Ventura Boulevard and Woodman Avenue.

I FURTHER MOVE that Fund No. 682, Department No. 50, Appropriation Unit No. 50MVBW, be renamed to be entitled "Ventura Boulevard and Woodman Avenue Mobility Safety Project", for the new project at the intersection of Ventura Boulevard and Woodman Avenue.

I FURTHER MOVE that the Bureau of Engineering be authorized to make any corrections, clarifications or revisions to the above fund transfer and amendment instructions, including any new instructions, in order to effectuate the intent of this Motion, and including any corrections and changes to fund or account numbers; said corrections / clarifications / changes may be made orally, electronically or by any other means.

PRESENTED BY:

NITHYA RAMAN

Councilmember, 4th District

SECONDED BY: