

**Los Angeles City Council, Journal/Council Proceeding
Friday, March 10, 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, Hutt, Krekorian, McOsker, Park, Price Jr., Raman, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (11); Absent: de León, Lee, Rodriguez (3)

Approval of the Minutes

Commendatory Resolutions, Introductions and Presentations - SEE ATTACHED

Multiple Agenda Item Comment

Public Testimony of Non-agenda Items Within Jurisdiction of Council

Items for which Public Hearings Have Been Held

(1) **22-0256**

BUDGET, FINANCE AND INNOVATION COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the Investment Reports for July to October of 2022.

Recommendation for Council action:

NOTE and FILE Office of Finance reports dated August 29, 2022, October 4, 2022, November 1, 2022, and November 18, 2022, attached to the Council file, relative to the Investment Reports for July 2022 – October 2022.

Fiscal Impact Statement: Not applicable.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

Adopted Item

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

(2) **23-0043**

BUDGET, FINANCE AND INNOVATION COMMITTEE REPORT relative to delinquent accounts receivables submitted by the Los Angeles Housing Department (LAHD) for the quarter ending September 30, 2022.

Recommendation for Council action:

APPROVE the Collections Board of Review's (CBR) recommendation to allow the LAHD to remove from its active receivables, 109 uncollectible invoices totaling \$3,499,189.20.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The CBR reports that the proposed action will decrease the City's receivable base by \$3,499,189.20.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

Adopted Item

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

(3) **23-0186**

BUDGET, FINANCE AND INNOVATION COMMITTEE REPORT relative to delinquent accounts receivables submitted by the Los Angeles Housing Department (LAHD) for the quarter ending December 31, 2022.

Recommendation for Council action:

APPROVE the Collections Board of Review's (CBR) recommendation to allow the LAHD to remove from its active receivables, 74 uncollectible invoices totaling \$3,729,451.16.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The CBR reports that the proposed action will decrease the City's receivable base by \$3,729,451.16.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

Adopted Item

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

(4) **23-0085**

BUDGET, FINANCE AND INNOVATION COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the current process of paying City vendors, best practices of the County of Los Angeles and other municipalities, and next steps necessary to ensure city vendor invoices are paid within 30-90 days.

Recommendation for Council action, pursuant to Motion (Blumenfield – Raman):

REQUEST the City Controller and the City Clerk, in consultation with the City Administrative Officer (CAO) and Office of Finance, to report within 90 days on the current process of paying City vendors, best practices of the County of Los Angeles and other municipal governments and advise what must happen to expedite this process and ensure that invoices are paid within 30-90 days maximum.

Fiscal Impact Statement: Neither the CAO 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, Hutt, Krekorian, McOsker, Park, Price Jr., Raman, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (11); Nays: (0); Absent: de León, Lee, Rodriguez (3)

(5) **22-0600-S71**

BUDGET, FINANCE AND INNOVATION COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the Fiscal Year 2022-23 Budget recommendation regarding the potential use of funding in the Unappropriated Balance for Graffiti Abatement.

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

AUTHORIZE the transfer of \$1,541,000 from the Unappropriated Balance, Graffiti Abatement, Fund No. 100/58, Account No. 580389, to the Board of Public Works Fund No. 100/74, Account No. 003040, to continue support of its Graffiti Abatement Strike Force Team services.

Fiscal Impact Statement: None submitted by the Board of Public Works. Neither the CAO 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, Hutt, Krekorian, McOsker, Park, Price Jr., Raman, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (11); Nays: (0); Absent: de León, Lee, Rodriguez (3)

(6) **19-1193**

BUDGET, FINANCE AND INNOVATION COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the acceptance of a grant award from the County of Los Angeles Department of Consumer and Business Affairs, for the City Attorney's Dispute Resolution Program, Fiscal Year 2022-23 Dispute Resolution Program (Community) Funding - Year 4/5.

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

1. AUTHORIZE the City Attorney, or designee, to approve the Standard Agreement with the County of Los Angeles Department of Consumer and Business Affairs for the period of July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023, subject to the approval of the City Attorney as to form.
2. ACCEPT funding in the amount of \$129,065 from the County of Los Angeles Department of Consumer and Business Affairs to maintain operations.

3. APPROVE the City cash and in-kind match and additional contribution in the amount of \$32,266 for the period of July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023.

4. AUTHORIZE the Controller to:
 - a. Establish a receivable within Fund No. 368 in the amount of \$129,065 from the County of Los Angeles.

 - b. Establish a new appropriation account within City Attorney Grant Fund No. 368 as follows:
 - i. Account No. 12W711, DRP CO Grant, \$129,065.

 - c. Transfer \$121,436 from Fund No. 368, Account No. 12W711 to Fund No. 100/12, Account No. 001010, Salaries, General.

5. AUTHORIZE the City Attorney, or designee, to prepare Controller instructions for any necessary technical adjustments, subject to the approval of the City Administrative Officer (CAO), and authorize the Controller to implement the instructions.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The CAO reports that no additional General Fund appropriation is requested at this time. The balance of funds not supported by the grant are included in the City Attorney's 2022-23 Adopted budget.

Financial Policies Statement: The CAO reports that the recommendations in the report are in compliance with the City's Financial Policies in that budgeted appropriations will be balanced against grant receipts.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

Adopted Item

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

(7) **21-0822**

BUDGET, FINANCE AND INNOVATION COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the Second Amended and Restated Contract C-131440 with Macias, Gini and O'Connell, LLP, for the Annual and Single Audits for Fiscal Years 2020-21 and 2021-22.

Recommendation for Council action:

APPROVE the Second Amended and Restated Contract C-131440 to increase the contract contingency amounts for the FY2020-21 and FY2021-22 audits.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The City Administrative Officer reports that the First Financial Status Report approved by the City Council on November 4, 2022 includes a transfer from the UB - Reserve for Mid-Year Adjustments in the amount of \$205,597 to the General City Purposes Fund (City Clerk) for the increased Annual Audit costs discussed in this report. There is no additional fiscal impact associated with approving the recommendations in this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

Adopted Item

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

(8) **23-1200-S6**

NEIGHBORHOODS AND COMMUNITY ENRICHMENT COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the appointment and withdrawal from consideration of Mr. Josh Nadel to the Board of Neighborhood Commissioners.

Recommendation for Council action:

RECEIVE and FILE the Mayor's appointment of Mr. Josh Nadel to the Board of Neighborhood Commissioners, inasmuch as the nominee withdrew his name from consideration on February 21, 2023.

Fiscal Impact Statement: Not applicable

Community Impact Statement: Yes

Against:

Westside Neighborhood Council

Mid-City Neighborhood Council

South Robertson Neighborhood Council

Reseda Neighborhood Council

Rampart Village Neighborhood Council

TIME LIMIT FILE - MARCH 20, 2023

(LAST DAY FOR COUNCIL ACTION - MARCH 17, 2023)

Adopted Item

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

(9) **23-0002-S22**

RULES, ELECTIONS, AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT relative to establishing the City's position in the 2023-24 State Legislative Program for legislation and/or administrative action to ensure that City projects, designed to provide quality broadband access in dense, high-need urban areas of the City, including South Los Angeles, are eligible for Senate Bill (SB) 156 grant funding.

Recommendation for Council action, pursuant to Resolution (Harris-Dawson - Hernandez), SUBJECT TO THE CONCURRENCE OF THE MAYOR:

RESOLVE to include in the City's 2023-2024 State Legislative Program, SUPPORT for legislation and/or administrative action to ensure that City projects, designed to provide quality broadband access in dense, high-need urban areas of the City, including South Los Angeles, are eligible for SB 156 grant funding.

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

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

(10) **23-0002-S23**

RULES, ELECTIONS, AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT relative to establishing the City's position in the 2023-24 State Legislative Program for Senate Bill (SB) 2 (Portantino), which expresses the intent of the California State Legislature to enact legislation to address the United States Supreme Court's decision in New York State Rifle and Pistol Association v. Bruen.

Recommendation for Council action, pursuant to Resolution (Park - Krekorian), SUBJECT TO THE CONCURRENCE OF THE MAYOR:

RESOLVE to include in the City's 2023-2024 State Legislative Program, SUPPORT for SB 2 (Portantino) which expresses the intent of the California State Legislature to enact legislation to address the United States Supreme Court's decision in New York State Rifle & Pistol Association v. Bruen.

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

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

(11) **23-0002-S24**

RULES, ELECTIONS, AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT relative to establishing the City's position regarding support for the Governor's 2023-24 State Budget proposal to extend funding to the Film and Television Tax Credit Program for five more years and make the tax credits refundable.

Recommendation for Council action, pursuant to Resolution (Krekorian - Blumenfield), SUBJECT TO THE CONCURRENCE OF THE MAYOR:

RESOLVE to include in the City's 2023-2024 State Legislative Program, SUPPORT for the Governor's 2023-24 State Budget proposal to extend funding to the Film and Television Tax Credit Program for five more years and make the tax credits refundable.

Fiscal Impact Statement: None submitted by the Chief Legislative Analyst. The City Administrative Officer has not completed a financial analysis of this report

Community Impact Statement: Yes

For:
Sunland-Tujunga Neighborhood Council

Adopted Item

Ayes: Blumenfield, de León, Harris-Dawson, Hernandez, Hutt, Krekorian, McOsker, Park, Price Jr., Raman, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (12); Nays: (0); Absent: Lee, Rodriguez (2)

(12) **20-0066-S2**

ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT report relative to the Community Redevelopment Agency Los Angeles (CRA/LA) Excess Bond Proceeds Quarterly Project Status Report as of January 15, 2023.

Recommendation for Council action:

NOTE and FILE the January 24, 2023 CRA/LA Bond Oversight Committee report, inasmuch as this report is for information only and no Council action is required.

Fiscal Impact Statement: Not applicable.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

Adopted Item

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

(13) **13-0199-S1**
CDs 4,13

ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the East Hollywood (Property-Based) Business Improvement District (BID) Fiscal Year (FY) 2023 Annual Planning Report.

Recommendations for Council action:

1. FIND that:

- a. The FY 2023 Annual Planning Report for the East Hollywood (Property-Based) BID attached to the City Clerk report dated December 29, 2022, attached to the Council file, complies with the requirements of the State Law.
- b. The increase in the 2023 budget concurs with the intentions of the East Hollywood BID's Management District Plan and does not adversely impact the benefits received by assessed property owners.

2. ADOPT said FY 2023 Annual Planning Report for the East Hollywood BID, pursuant to the State Law.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The City Clerk reports that there is no impact to the General Fund associated with this action.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

Adopted Item

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

Adopted to Reconsider Item

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

Adopted Item to Continue to March 24, 2023

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

(14) **12-0963-S1
CDs 4,5,13**

ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the Hollywood Media District (Property-Based) Business Improvement District (BID) Fiscal Year (FY) 2023 Annual Planning Report.

Recommendations for Council action:

1. FIND that:

- a. The FY 2023 Annual Planning Report for the Hollywood Media District (Property-Based) BID attached to the City Clerk report dated January 10, 2023, attached to the Council file, complies with the requirements of the State Law.
- b. The increase in the 2023 budget concurs with the intentions of the Hollywood Media District (Property-Based) BID's Management District Plan and does not adversely impact the benefits received by assessed property owners.

2. ADOPT said FY 2023 Annual Planning Report for the Hollywood Media District (Property-Based) BID, pursuant to the State Law.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The City Clerk reports that there is no impact to the General Fund associated with this action.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

Adopted Item

Ayes: Blumenfield, Harris-Dawson, Hernandez, Hutt, Krekorian, McOsker, Park, Price

Jr., Raman, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (11); Nays: (0); Absent: de León, Lee, Rodriguez (3)

(15) **09-2013-S1
CD 1**

ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the Highland Park 2020-2024 (Property-Based) Business Improvement District (BID) Fiscal Year (FY) 2023 Annual Planning Report.

Recommendations for Council action:

1. FIND that:

- a. The FY 2023 Annual Planning Report for the Highland Park 2020-2024 (Property-Based) BID, attached to the City Clerk report dated December 20, 2022, attached to the Council file, complies with the requirements of the State Law.
- b. The increase in the 2023 budget concurs with the intentions of the Highland Park 2020-2024 BID's Management District Plan and does not adversely impact the benefits received by assessed property owners.

2. ADOPT the FY 2023 Annual Planning Report for the Highland Park 2020-2024 BID, pursuant to the State Law.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The City Clerk reports that there is no impact to the General Fund associated with this action.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

Adopted Item

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

(16) **18-0526-S2**

CDs 1,14

ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the Greater Lincoln Heights Property Business Improvement District (BID) Fiscal Year (FY) 2023 Annual Planning Report.

Recommendations for Council action:

1. FIND that:

- a. The FY 2023 Annual Planning Report for the Greater Lincoln Heights (Property-Based) BID, attached to the City Clerk report dated January 5, 2023, attached to the Council file, complies with the requirements of the State Law.
- b. The increase in the 2023 budget concurs with the intentions of the Greater Lincoln Heights BID's Management District Plan and does not adversely impact the benefits received by assessed property owners.

2. ADOPT the FY 2023 Annual Planning Report for the Greater Lincoln Heights BID, pursuant to the State Law.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The City Clerk reports that there is no impact to the General Fund associated with this action.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

Adopted Item

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

(17) **14-0101-S1**
CDs 1,10

ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the Byzantine Latino Quarter - Pico (Property-Based) Business Improvement District (BID) Fiscal Year (FY) 2023 Annual Planning Report.

Recommendations for Council action:

1. FIND that:

- a. The FY 2023 Annual Planning Report for the Byzantine Latino Quarter-Pico BID, attached to the City Clerk report dated November 8, 2022, attached to the Council file, complies with the requirements of the State Law.
- b. The increase in the 2023 budget concurs with the intentions of the Byzantine Latino Quarter - Pico BID's Management District Plan and does not adversely impact the benefits received by assessed property owners.

2. ADOPT said FY 2023 Annual Planning Report for the Byzantine Latino Quarter - Pico BID, pursuant to the State Law.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The City Clerk reports that there is no impact to the General Fund associated with this action.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

Adopted Item

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

(18) **22-1156**

ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT relative to proposed City of Los Angeles Career Pathways Fellowship Program (Career Pathways/LA).

Recommendations for Council action:

- 1. ADOPT the proposed Career Pathways/LA Program framework as detailed in the January 26, 2023 Economic and Workforce Development Department (EWDD) report, attached to the Council File.

2. INSTRUCT the EWDD, in partnership with the Personnel Department, Youth Development Department, City Administrative Officer, Department of Recreation and Parks, any other City Department as necessary, and the City's labor partners, to form a working group, and in consultation with the City Attorney, develop a plan for the implementation of the Career Pathways/LA Program, to include:
 - a. An outreach and recruitment strategy
 - b. Participant eligibility and selection criteria
 - c. Curriculum for City 101 training
 - d. Participant assessment and certification to City employment
 - e. City classifications that would be eligible for the program

Fiscal Impact Statement: The EWDD reports that there is no impact to the General Fund at this time.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

Adopted Item

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

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

(19) **23-0253**
CD 10

MOTION (HUTT - YAROSLAVSKY) relative to funding for a community improvement and street furniture project.

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

1. TRANSFER and APPROPRIATE \$9,644.42 in the AB 1290 Fund No. 53P, Account No. 281210 (CD 10 Redevelopment Projects - Services) to the Neighborhood Council Fund No. 59B/14, Account No. 141272 (South Robertson Neighborhood Council) for a community improvement and street furniture project.
2. AUTHORIZE the City Clerk to make any technical corrections or clarifications to the above funding instructions in order to effectuate the intent of this Motion.

Adopted Item

Ayes: Blumenfield, de León, Harris-Dawson, Hernandez, Hutt, Krekorian, McOsker, Park, Price Jr., Raman, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (12); Nays: (0); Absent: Lee, Rodriguez (2)

(20) **21-1015-S2**

MOTION (YAROSLAVSKY - BLUMENFIELD) and RESOLUTION relative to authorizing the Bureau of Sanitation to prepare and apply for the federal Reclamation WaterSMART grant.

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

1. AUTHORIZE the Bureau of Sanitation (BOS), or designee, to negotiate, accept, execute, and submit all documents, including, but not limited to, applications, agreements, amendments, and payment requests etc., by the deadlines established by the grantor, subject to the approval of the City Attorney as to form and legality, which may be necessary to secure an award of WaterSMART Water Recycling and Desalination Planning Grant Program funding, through the United States Department of the Interior, Bureau of Reclamation, in an amount not to exceed \$5 million each, for the implementation of the Hyperion 2035 Phase 1 and D.C. Tillman Advanced Water Purification Projects.
2. ADOPT the accompanying RESOLUTION as required by the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation, authorizing the Director and General Manager, BOS, or designee, to negotiate, accept, execute, and

submit all documents, including, but not limited to, applications, agreements, amendments, and payment requests as associated with the City of Los Angeles WaterSMART Water Recycling and Desalination Planning Grant proposal.

Adopted Item

Ayes: Blumenfield, de León, Harris-Dawson, Hernandez, Hutt, Krekorian, McOsker, Park, Price Jr., Raman, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (12); Nays: (0); Absent: Lee, Rodriguez (2)

(21) **17-1434-S5**

MOTION (BLUMENFIELD - RODRIGUEZ - PARK) relative to authorizing the Los Angeles Fire Department (LAFD) to apply for the 2023 Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response (SAFER) grant from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for funding for a new engine company, adding 12 firefighter positions.

Recommendation for Council action:

AUTHORIZE the Fire Chief, or designee, to take all necessary actions to apply for the 2023 SAFER grant no later than March 17, 2023.

Adopted Item

Ayes: Blumenfield, de León, Harris-Dawson, Hernandez, Hutt, Krekorian, McOsker, Park, Price Jr., Raman, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (12); Nays: (0); Absent: Lee, Rodriguez (2)

(22) **23-0254
CD 13**

MOTION (SOTO-MARTINEZ - YAROSLAVSKY) relative to accepting payment for City resources for the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences (AMPAS) to hold the 95th Annual Academy Awards at the Dolby Theatre on March 12, 2023.

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

1. AUTHORIZE the payment acceptance of \$350,000 for the provision of City services that may be required for the AMPAS 95th Annual Academy Awards at the Dolby Theatre on March 12, 2023.

2. INSTRUCT the City Administrative Officer (CAO) and Chief Legislative Analyst, with the assistance of the City Attorney, to negotiate a contract between the City and AMPAS for City resources to hold future Academy Award ceremonies in the City of Los Angeles.

3. AUTHORIZE the CAO to execute and administer the contract between the City and AMPAS, subject to the approval of the City Attorney as to form and legality.

Adopted Item

Ayes: Blumenfield, de León, Harris-Dawson, Hernandez, Hutt, Krekorian, McOsker, Park, Price Jr., Raman, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (12); Nays: (0); Absent: Lee, Rodriguez (2)

Items Called Special

Motions for Posting and Referral - SEE ATTACHED

Council Members' Requests for Excuse from Attendance at Council Meetings

Closed Session

(23) 13-1482-S3

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 pending litigation entitled AIDS Healthcare Foundation v. City of Los Angeles / CRA/LA, CRA/LA Governing Board; CRA/LA Oversight Board, Sacramento Superior Court Case No. 34-2020-80003462-CU-WM-GDS and Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 19STCP04589.

(Budget, Finance and Innovation Committee considered this matter in Closed Session on February 27, 2023)

Adopted Motion (Blumenfield – Price) in Open Session - SEE ATTACHED

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

Rodriguez (3)

Adjourning Motions - SEE ATTACHED

Council Adjournment

ENDING ROLL CALL

Blumenfield, de León, Harris-Dawson, Hernandez, Hutt, Krekorian, McOsker, Park, Price Jr., Raman, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (12); Absent: Lee, Rodriguez (2)

Whereupon the Council did adjourn.

ATTEST: Holly L. Wolcott, CITY CLERK

By

Council Clerk

PRESIDENT OF THE CITY COUNCIL

COMMENDATORY RESOLUTIONS

MOVED BY	SECONDED BY	NAME
Raman	Price	Nowruz on March 20, 2023
Raman	Price	Ramadan and wishes the Muslim community Ramadan Mubarak
Blumenfield	Hernandez	Cynthia "Cindy" Williams

ADJOURNING MOTIONS

MOVED BY	SECONDED BY	NAME
Park	All Councilmembers	Bruce Schelden

MOTION

I HEREBY MOVE that the Council ADOPT the following recommendations in the case entitled AIDS Healthcare Foundation v. City of Los Angeles / CRA/LA, CRA/LA Governing Board; CRA/LA Oversight Board, Sacramento Superior Court Case No. 34-2020-80003462-CU-WM-GDS, Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 19STCP04589., **SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR:**

1. Reject the offer by Petitioner to settle the November 8, 2022, Final Ruling (Fee Order) by the trial court awarding attorneys’ fees to counsel for Petitioner in the amount of \$220,214, and to dismiss Petitioner’s appeal of that ruling, by payment by the City an additional \$150,000 (for a total of \$370,214).
2. AUTHORIZE payment of the Court ordered attorneys’ fees in the amount of \$220,214 plus applicable interest from the Liability Claims Fund No. 100/59, Account No. 009798, Miscellaneous Liability Payouts. The demand drawn on said funds shall be paid as follows: “The Silverstein Law Firm, APC, Client Trust Account” in the amount of \$220,214, plus applicable interest.
3. AUTHORIZE the City Attorney to deliver the warrant payable to “The Silverstein Law Firm, APC, Client Trust Account”, subject to the City’s right to demand repayment of fees paid in the event the Court of Appeal awards a lower amount to Petitioner than the amount in the Fee Order.
4. AUTHORIZE the City Attorney to make necessary technical adjustments, subject to the approval of the City Administrative Officer, and that the Controller be authorized to implement the instructions.

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 27, 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 2/27/23
CF 13-1482-S3

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

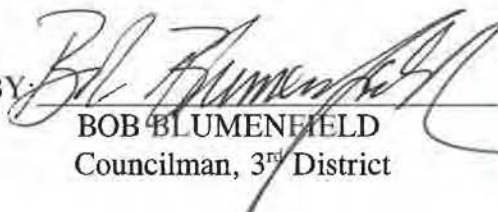
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I MOVE that \$17,300 from the AB1290 Fund No. 53P, Account No. 281203 (CD 3 Redevelopment Projects - Services) be transferred / appropriated to the Board of Public Works Fund No. 100-74, Account No. 3040 (Contractual Services) to be used for the acquisition of a trailer-mounted pressure washer for exclusive use in the Third Council District.

I FURTHER MOVE that the Board of Public Works, Office of Community Beautification be instructed and authorized to prepare, process and execute the necessary documents with, and/or payments to, the Los Angeles Conservation Corps, or any other agency or organization, in the above amount for the above purpose, subject to the approval of the City Attorney as to form.

I FURTHER MOVE that the Department of Public Works Office of Accounting be authorized to make any corrections, clarifications or needed new instructions, to the above fund transfer instructions in order to effectuate the intent of this Motion.

PRESENTED BY:


BOB BLUMENFELD
Councilman, 3rd District

SECONDED BY:



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I MOVE that, subject to the approval of the Mayor, \$400 be appropriated from the Unappropriated Balance Fund No. 100-58 to the General Services Fund No. 100-40, Account No. 1070 (Salaries - As Needed) for services in connection with the Council District 4 special observance of Nowruz at City Hall on March 19, 20, and 21, 2023, including the illumination of City Hall --- **said funds to be reimbursed to the General Fund by the Iranian American Women Foundation.**

PRESENTED BY: *Nithya Raman*
NITHYA RAMAN
Councilmember, 4th District

SECONDED BY: *[Signature]*

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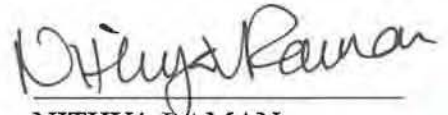
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TO CITY CLERK FOR PLACEMENT ON NEXT
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#53

I MOVE that, subject to the approval of the Mayor, \$400 be appropriated from the Unappropriated Balance Fund No. 100-58 to the General Services Fund No. 100-40, Account No. 1070 (Salaries - As Needed) for services in connection with the Council District 4 special observance of Ramadan at City Hall on March 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, and 28 and April 19, 20 and 21, 2023, including the illumination of City Hall --- **said funds to be reimbursed to the General Fund by the Muslim Public Affairs Council.**

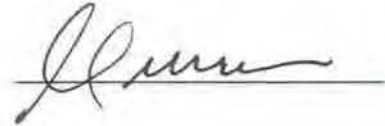
PRESENTED BY:



NITHYA RAMAN

Councilmember, 4th District

SECONDED BY:



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REGULAR COUNCIL AGENDA TO BE POSTED

#54

The Los Angeles Conservation Corps is coordinating various beautification / maintenance efforts and services in Council District 2, including but not limited to the following: weed abatement, trash removal, debris and bulky item clean-ups as assigned, sidewalk power washing, and median and parkway cleaning on locations to be determined by and at the direction of the office of Council District 2.

This effort is of special benefit for the residents of the City and for CD-2 and deserves financial assistance from the City.

Sufficient funds are available in the Council District 2 portion of the Neighborhood Service Enhancements line item in the General City Purposes portion of the 2022-23 Budget for this purpose.

I THEREFORE MOVE that \$158,338 in the Council District 2 portion of the Neighborhood Service Enhancements line item in the General City Purposes Fund No. 100-56 be transferred / appropriated to the Board of Public Works Fund No. 100-74, Account No. 3040 (Contractual Services) to be used for various beautification / maintenance efforts and services in Council District 2 coordinated by the Los Angeles Conservation Corps, as further detailed in the text of this Motion.

I FURTHER MOVE that the Board of Public Works, Office of Community Beautification be instructed and authorized to prepare, process and execute the necessary documents with, and/or payments to, the Los Angeles Conservation Corps, or any other agency or organization, in the above amount for the above purpose, subject to the approval of the City Attorney as to form.

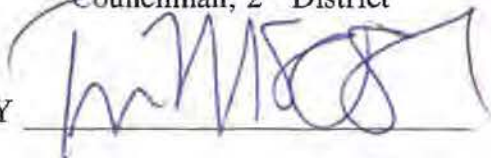
I FURTHER MOVE that the Department of Public Works Office of Accounting be authorized to make any corrections, clarifications or needed new instructions, to the above fund transfer instructions in order to effectuate the intent of this Motion.

PRESENTED BY



PAUL KREKORIAN
Councilman, 2nd District

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The Lankershim Hotel (CF 22-0813) is a 148 guest room proposed project in North Hollywood and consists of the construction of a seven-story hotel with ground floor restaurant and retail uses.

On December 6, 2022, the Planning and Land Use Management Committee (PLUM) recommended allowing 148 guest rooms for this project.

While PLUM granted the appeal to allow the increase in the number of guest rooms, the Planning Department did not modify the proposed Zone Change to reflect the increased number of guest rooms. As such, revised conditions of approval and findings relative to the Zoning Administrator Adjustment were submitted and adopted by the City Council, however no revisions to the Zone Change were made, creating an inconsistency in the approvals.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Planning Department correct and retransmit Ordinance No. 187734 such that it reflects the increased number of guest rooms as was approved in PLUM committee, and by the City Council for properties located at 5041-5057 North Lankershim Boulevard and 11121 West Hesby Street.

PRESENTED BY: Paul Krekorian
PAUL KREKORIAN
Councilmember, 2nd District

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MOTION

The Harbor Gateway’s geography is narrow and long, and bound by a north-south corridor, situated approximately between Vermont Avenue and Figueroa Street north of Interstate 405 (I-405), and Western and Normandie avenues south of I-405. The northern limit of the Gateway, Imperial Highway, is known to some as the “Shoestring Strip” and is city street just north of Interstate 105. The territory was acquired by the city of Los Angeles in a shoestring annexation, specifically to connect San Pedro, Wilmington, Harbor City and the Port of Los Angeles with the rest of the city.

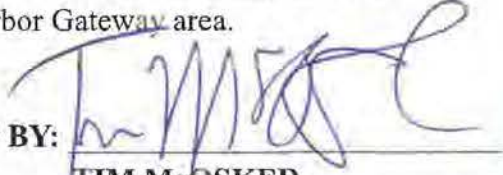
As Harbor Gateway is bound by several freeways, there are several underpasses that dominate the landscape of the north-south corridor. These underpasses frequently experience lighting deficiencies, whether that be single lighting outages or copper wire theft, which can be a safety issue for pedestrians and vehicles. Underpasses that currently have lighting deficiencies include:

- 182nd Street and the 110 Freeway
- Gardena Boulevard and the 110 Freeway
- Alondra Boulevard and the 110 Freeway
- Main Street and the 105 Freeway
- San Pedro Street and the 105 Freeway
- Figueroa Boulevard and the 91 Freeway

Underpasses provide a particular challenge and a unique opportunity to invest in sustainable, creative alternatives to traditional lighting. Examples of these solutions include artistic or colored LED lights installed for underpasses in cities across the United States. In order to increase community safety as well as ensure that city services are being delivered to the Harbor Gateway, the City should explore immediate and long term plans to help keep the lights on for these areas.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the City Council instruct the Bureau of Street Lighting, in coordination with the City Administrative Officer, to report to the Council with a staffing plan and identified funding to combat lighting deficiencies for the underpasses listed above, as well as any remaining underpasses prone to lighting deficiencies in the Harbor Gateway area.

I FURTHER MOVE that the City Council instruct the Bureau of Street Lighting to report back on creative solutions to lighting deficiencies related to underpasses, and for the potential to pilot artistic lighting solutions in the Harbor Gateway area.

PRESENTED BY: 
TIM McOSKER
Councilmember, 15th District

SECONDED BY: 

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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, California Vehicle Code Section 22507 authorizes cities to restrict the parking of vehicles, including but not limited to, vehicles that are six feet or more in height, on identified City streets during certain hours; and

WHEREAS, the Los Angeles Municipal Code Section 80.69.4 allows the Council to authorize by resolution, the streets upon which the parking of oversize vehicles shall be restricted between 2:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m.; and

WHEREAS, areas in Council District 11 are experiencing public safety issues associated with oversized vehicles that are often parked overnight and constrict travel lanes, thereby creating dangerous situations;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council, pursuant to the Municipal Code Section 80.69.4, and the California Vehicle Code Section 22507, hereby prohibits the parking of vehicles that are in excess of 22 feet in length or over 7 feet in height, during the hours of 2:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m., along the following street segments:

- Both sides of Main Street between Rose Avenue and Sunset Avenue
- Both sides of Superior Avenue between Venice Boulevard and Victoria Avenue
- Both sides of Indiana Avenue between 5th Avenue and 4th Avenue
- Both sides of Main Street between Windward Avenue and Westminster Avenue
- Both sides of Barbara Avenue between Centinela Avenue and Frances Avenue
- Both sides of Wasatch Avenue between Matteson Avenue and Washington Place
- Both sides of Clark Avenue between Mildred Avenue and Olive Avenue
- Both sides of Victoria Avenue between Penmar Avenue and Lincoln Boulevard

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that upon the adoption of the Resolution, the Department of Transportation be directed to post signs giving notice of a "tow away, no parking" restriction for oversized vehicles, with the specific hours detailed, at the above locations; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Transportation be authorized to make technical corrections or clarifications to the above instructions in order to effectuate the intent of this Resolution.

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

SECONDED BY: [Signature]

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The Port of Los Angeles is in the midst of a two-phase Wilmington waterfront project that will enhance public access to the waterfront for the local community. The first phase, the Wilmington Waterfront Promenade, is set to be complete in 2023. The second phase of the project will feature a pedestrian bridge that connects Avalon Boulevard to the Wilmington Waterfront Promenade. This project has required coordination on several fronts between the Port of Los Angeles and the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP) for land swaps, Right of Entry Permits, and site remediation.

There are two LADWP water tanks at the Avalon Pedestrian Bridge site that are being decommissioned. At the March 7, 2022 meeting of the Trade, Travel, and Tourism Committee, LADWP stated that it was working with the United States Environmental Protection Agency to decommission the second water tank at the site. LADWP further stated that there are ongoing discussions about the future of the tank.

Removal of the tank would be beneficial to the Wilmington community. It would create a more inviting and aesthetically pleasing space and provide additional accessibility, furthering the benefits of the ongoing projects in the area.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the City Council request the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power to report with a timeline for decommissioning the second water tank at the Avalon Pedestrian Bridge project site, including the feasibility of removing the tank entirely.

PRESENTED BY: 

TIM McOSKER
Councilmember, 15th District

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In 2010, Los Angeles began working to create a Coordinated Entry System (CES) to coordinate the work of service providers, maintain a real-time list of individuals experiencing homelessness in local communities, and equitably and efficiently match people to available housing resources and services that best fit their needs. In 2011, an early version of CES was put into practice in a series of pilots in Skid Row. After further development via pilots, the CES was introduced to seven communities throughout LA County and in 2014, CES was expanded to all eight Service Planning Areas (SPAs) in the County.

Today, CES is managed by the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA) and comprises three systems: adults, families with children, and youth. Information about people experiencing homelessness is entered into the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) database, and families or individuals are then referred to appropriate resources across the County that meet their needs.

CES also determines prioritization for placement of people experiencing homelessness in interim housing and permanent housing units. Using a scoring system called the Vulnerability Index and a survey called the Service Prioritization Decision Assistance Tool (VI-SPDAT), individuals are assigned a score based on their acuity, with higher scores receiving higher prioritization for housing.

In a context of persistent interim and permanent housing shortage relative to the population on LA's streets, CES has served as a necessary triage tool for distributing scarce resources and services. But since its implementation, service providers have observed profound issues with CES's vulnerability assessment tool, including racial disparities. A recent investigation by *The Markup* and *The Los Angeles Times* found that the VI-SPDAT consistently assigned higher vulnerability scores on white adults and youth over Black and Latino equivalents, effectively charting a more rapid pathway for white clients to obtain housing.

Service providers and people experiencing homelessness have also critiqued CES and the VI-SPDAT for delivering inaccurate need assessments—partly due to the requirement for clients to self-report diagnoses and other personal details, which directly influences acuity scores—and for being difficult to adapt to a broader range of housing interventions, including place-based strategies like Encampment-to-Home.

In addition to asking for changes to the assessment tool that underlies CES, service providers have noted other factors that cause challenges and delays. They have pointed out that, although they work to ensure all their clients have completed applications and obtained necessary documents, some clients are “document-ready” or “match-ready” before others, regardless of their vulnerability score. They advocate for clients who are “match-ready” to be considered for housing placement immediately while others complete required documents.

Service providers have also noted delays arising from the L.A. County Department of Health Services (DHS) taking up to 30 days to locate referred clients when they receive referrals for case

management, which could be mitigated by referring more than one client at a time to each available case management slot.

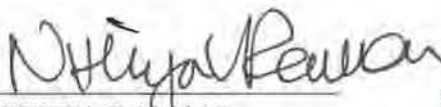
LAHSA recently updated its core CES policies to allow for greater flexibility and ability to respond to the shifting needs of the homeless population and the homeless services system. This has allowed for innovative solutions to be piloted before being codified and implemented system-wide. These are steps in the right direction, but further improvements to CES are needed.

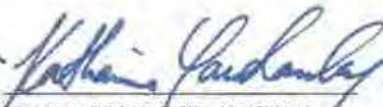
The Coordinated Entry System represents the first and most essential step from the street to housing for tens of thousands of people experiencing homelessness. If we want to ensure equity and efficiency in interim and permanent housing placements, we must undertake the project of reforming and improving CES.


I THEREFORE MOVE that the City Council instruct LAHSA, with assistance from the Housing Authority of the City of LA and homeless service providers, to report back within 30 days with a plan to reform and improve the Coordinated Entry System to address factors that cause bias in acuity scores and significant delays in matching people to housing units. This report should include consideration of:

- Adopting an alternative assessment tool to the VI-SPDAT that has been evaluated for racial bias and reduces reliance on self-reporting by clients, in addition to potentially incorporating data about utilization of emergency services such as jails, police/Sheriff, emergency rooms, mental health beds, and the child welfare system when determining a vulnerability score;
- Making CES more compatible with place-based interventions such as Encampment-to-Home based on successes in other localities where this has been done, such as Santa Monica;
- Indicating clearly in CES which households are “match-ready” and prioritizing those households for housing matches;
- Referring two households to the County DHS for each case management service slot to reduce delays due to challenges locating clients; and
- Developing and offering training for new and existing Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) developers about the PSH population, CES, and the pivotal role developers play in fostering housing stability for formerly homeless households.

PRESENTED BY:


NITHYA RAMAN
Councilmember, 4th District


KATY YAROSLAVSKY
Councilmember, 5th District


BOB BLUMENFIELD
Councilmember, 3rd District

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HOUSING & HOMELESSNESS

The December 12, 2022 declaration of a State of Emergency on homelessness by Mayor Karen Bass states that “all protocols set by the Los Angeles County Coordinated Entry System as they apply within the City of Los Angeles [shall] be expanded, changed, or suspended, as allowed by federal law. Rules, guidelines and regulations will be developed to expedite the placement of unhoused neighbors into housing in the City of Los Angeles.”

For Continuum of Care (COC) and Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) funded programs, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) requires the use of either a centralized or coordinated assessment system that provides an initial, comprehensive assessment of the needs of individuals and families for housing and services. The Los Angeles COC assessment system is called the Coordinated Entry System (CES) and it is managed and operated by the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA). The CES is used to match eligible clients to available housing units, and tracks demographic and building data. Efficiency in the leasing up of units hinges on expedient matching of clients to units. At present, when using CES, the process to match a client to a unit and lease that unit takes between 70 and 120 days. Prior to the establishment of CES, this process typically took 30 to 45 days.

The CES is reliant on a network of service providers who are working to expand program delivery as demand increases. This lack of staffing capacity has contributed to lengthy wait times for clients to be matched to available housing resources and an inability to help them into the matched unit. To comply with the Mayor’s order and expedite leasing, reevaluation of the tenant selection and matching process is imperative.

The Housing Authority of Los Angeles (HACLA) has required that at least 80% of its Project Based Vouchers (PBVs) be leased using referrals from CES. HACLA has taken a step to improve this process by amending its Administrative Plan to reduce the number of Project Based Voucher units that are required to use the CES tenant matching process from 80% to 25%. This means that affordable housing developers building projects that require PBVs for cash flow will have the opportunity to, but will not be required to, lease their units through an alternative matching process that meets their needs.

The City’s affordable housing finance programs including HHH and the Affordable Housing Managed Pipeline have required that all subsidized buildings have an LAHD-approved Affirmative Marketing Plan, including a Tenant Selection Plan describing how applications will be solicited, accepted, reviewed and maintained in a wait list. Buildings serving people experiencing homelessness financed for example in the Affordable Housing Managed Pipeline or funded by Homekey have only described the developers’ plans to use the Coordinated Entry System, but HHH already has both CES as well as alternative selection plans. With greater flexibility in buildings using PBVs, the LAHD may allow the use of alternative processes.

Each quarter for the next year between 750 and 1000 supportive housing units are expected to be completed and ready for occupancy. It is imperative that units are filled as quickly as possible, to move homeless individuals and families from the street to shelter and from shelter to interim and permanent housing. Therefore, in order to comply with the Mayor’s directive and house

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unhoused individuals and families expeditiously, an alternative to CES referrals should be made available to City departments and agencies, developers and service providers.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Council DIRECT the Los Angeles Housing Department and REQUEST the Los Angeles City Attorney's Office to amend guidelines, policies or guidance for programs that do not use Continuum of Care or other funding that requires use of the CES so as to remove requirements or preferences for the CES tenant matching process where the CES process is not required and the removal of the requirements or preferences otherwise is permissible. The amendments should allow and encourage, where possible, project owners to submit amended Tenant Selection Plans identifying providers and partners prioritizing eligible prospective tenants from interim housing sites to the greatest extent possible. These sites include Tiny Home Villages, A Bridge Home sites, County-funded interim housing, LAHSA-supported congregate shelter sites, Project Roomkey and Inside Safe sites. The Tenant Selection Plans must describe the outreach, housing navigation, and assessment processes to be used by each developer or service provider.

I FURTHER MOVE that LAHD, with the CAO report back within sixty days with occupancy numbers and lease-up times for projects that elect to use this alternative pathway to tenant selection, as well as any recommendations concerning any additional resources needed by services or housing providers for housing navigation to quickly prepare and move residents from interim to permanent housing.

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SECONDED BY: _____

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RESOLUTION RULES, ELECTIONS, INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

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

WHEREAS, the Census Bureau found that in 2021 more than 2.7 million Californians, 9% of the state population, identify as Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, or Transgender (LGBT); and

WHEREAS, in 2008, a narrow majority of Californians voted in favor of Proposition 8, which amended the state constitution to ban same-sex marriage after a campaign in which millions of dollars raised in support of Proposition 8 came from groups outside California; and

WHEREAS, in 2015, the United States Supreme Court nullified Proposition 8 by ruling in *Obergefell v. Hodges* that state bans on same-sex marriage violated the due process and equal protection clauses of the Fourteenth Amendment of the United States Constitution; and

WHEREAS, writing for the majority in *Obergefell* case, Justice Kennedy emphasized "no union is more profound than marriage, for it embodies the highest ideals of love, fidelity, devotion, sacrifice, and family"; and

WHEREAS, the United States Supreme Court held in *Roe v. Wade*, and reaffirmed in *Planned Parenthood v. Casey*, that the due process clause of the Fourteenth Amendment also generally protects a woman's right to terminate a pregnancy and yet, in 2022, the United States Supreme Court's new majority overturned decades of well-established legal precedent by stating in *Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization* that the Fourteenth Amendment does not protect the right to terminate a pregnancy, and that states may regulate abortion so long as they comply with federal law; and

WHEREAS, in his concurrence in *Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization*, Justice Clarence Thomas stated that the Supreme Court should reconsider all of its substantive due process cases, including *Obergefell v. Hodges*; and

WHEREAS, if *Obergefell v. Hodges* were overturned, Proposition 8, which is still in the California state constitution, would critically endanger the right to same-sex marriage in California; and

WHEREAS, Congress in 2022 passed the Respect for Marriage Act, which requires the federal government to recognize same-sex and interracial marriages, but it does not require states to issue marriage licenses to same-sex couples; and

WHEREAS, the Respect for Marriage Act enshrines protections for religious liberty and ensures that religious institutions are not compelled to officiate any marriage inconsistent with their sacraments; and

WHEREAS, Assembly Constitutional Amendment 5 (Low, Wiener) would remove Proposition 8 from the California state constitution, protecting the right to same-sex marriage in California; and

WHEREAS, the right to marry the person one loves, regardless of sexual orientation or gender identity, is fundamental to ensuring the equal rights of millions of Californians;

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 for Assembly Constitutional Amendment 5 (Low, Wiener) which would overturn Proposition 8 and protect same-sex marriage in California.

PRESENTED BY: Paul Krekorian

PAUL KREKORIAN
Councilmember, 2nd District

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SECONDED BY: Luiss Arroyo

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