

Los Angeles City Council, Journal/Council Proceeding

Wednesday, August 9, 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, Lee, McOsker, Park, Price Jr., Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (12); Absent: de León, Padilla, Raman (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) **23-0745**

PLANNING AND LAND USE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE REPORT relative to preparing an ordinance to amend Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC) Section 91.8906 (Repair and Demolition Fund), as an eligible funding source when the Council and the Department of City Planning (DCP) make public nuisance declarations.

Recommendation for Council action, pursuant to Motion (Harris-Dawson - Yaroslavsky):

REQUEST the City Attorney, with the assistance of the DCP, City Administrative Officer, and Los Angeles Department of Building and Safety, to prepare and present an ordinance to amend LAMC Section 91.8906 (Repair and Demolition Fund), as an eligible funding source when the Council and the DCP make public nuisance declarations.

Fiscal Impact Statement: Neither the City Administrative Officer nor the Chief Legislative Analyst has completed a financial analysis on this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

Adopted Item

Ayes: Blumenfield, Harris-Dawson, Hernandez, Hutt, Krekorian, Lee, McOsker, Padilla, Park, Price Jr., Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (13); Nays: (0); Absent: de León, Raman (2)

(2) **17-0981-S10
CD 14**

PLANNING AND LAND USE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE REPORT relative to activating a new streamlined permitting land use regulatory process, the Restaurant Beverage Program, in Council District 14.

Recommendations for Council action, pursuant to Resolution (de León - Rodriguez):

1. RESOLVE, that by adoption of the Resolution attached to the Council file, inclusive of the Map (Exhibit A) and Findings (Exhibit B) attached to the Resolution, the Council hereby activates a new streamlined permitting land use regulatory process, the Restaurant Beverage Program, that shall be in force and full effect in the geographical boundaries attached in Exhibit A.
2. RESOLVE, that based on the Findings outlined in Exhibit B relative to the geographic boundaries found in the Exhibit A maps, the Restaurant Beverage Program is in conformity with the public necessity, convenience, general welfare, and good zoning practice.

Fiscal Impact Statement: None submitted by the Department of City Planning. Neither the City Administrative Officer nor the Chief Legislative Analyst has completed a financial analysis on this report.

Community Impact Statement: Yes

For:

Downtown Los Angeles Neighborhood Council

Adopted Item

Ayes: Blumenfield, Harris-Dawson, Hernandez, Hutt, Krekorian, Lee, McOsker, Padilla, Park, Price Jr., Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (13); Nays: (0); Absent: de León, Raman (2)

(3) **23-0685**
CD 4

CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION and PLANNING AND LAND USE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the inclusion of the Hollywood Sikh Temple, located at 1966 North Vermont Avenue and 4624 – 4636 West Finley Avenue, 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 the Hollywood Sikh Temple, located at 1966 North Vermont Avenue and 4624 – 4636 West Finley Avenue, in the list of Historic-Cultural Monuments.

Applicant: Sharon Sekhon

Owner: Sikh Study Circle, Inc.

Case No. CHC-2023-2376-HCM

Environmental No. ENV-2023-2377-CE

Fiscal Impact Statement: 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

TIME LIMIT FILE - SEPTEMBER 13, 2023

(LAST DAY FOR COUNCIL ACTION - SEPTEMBER 13, 2023)

Adopted Item

Ayes: Blumenfield, de León, Harris-Dawson, Hernandez, Hutt, Krekorian, Lee, McOsker, Padilla, Park, Price Jr., Raman, Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (15); Nays: (0); Absent: (0)

(4) **13-1365
CD 13**

PLANNING AND LAND USE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE REPORT and ORDINANCE FIRST CONSIDERATION relative to adding Section 5.530 to Chapter 130, Division 5 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code to reinstate the Vermont/Western Station Neighborhood Area Plan Child Care Trust Fund.

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

PRESENT and ADOPT the accompanying ORDINANCE, dated June 30, 2023, adding Section 5.530 to Chapter 130, Division 5 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code to reinstate the Vermont/Western Station Neighborhood Area Plan Child Care Trust Fund.

Fiscal Impact Statement: None submitted by the City Attorney. 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, Lee, McOsker,

Padilla, Park, Price Jr., Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (13); Nays: (0); Absent: de León, Raman (2)

(5) **10-1078-S1**

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CITY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER relative to a Fifth Amendment to Contract No. C-117907 between Sansio, Inc. and the Los Angeles Fire Department to provide field data capture devices and program support services for the collection of Emergency Medical Services information.

(Public Safety Committee report to be submitted in Council. If public hearing is not held in Committee, an opportunity for public comment will be provided.)

(Click on www.lacouncilfile.com for background documents.)

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

TIME LIMIT FILE - AUGUST 14, 2023

(LAST DAY FOR COUNCIL ACTION - AUGUST 11, 2023)

**Adopted Motion (Rodriguez – Krekorian) Forthwith - SEE ATTACHED
Ayes: Blumenfield, de León, Harris-Dawson, Hernandez, Hutt, Krekorian, Lee, McOsker, Padilla, Park, Price Jr., Raman, Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (15);
Nays: (0); Absent: (0)**

(6) **21-1006**

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE REPORT relative to resources needed for mapping all Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT) transportation and safety programs.

SUBMITS without RECOMMENDATION the following recommendation of the LADOT:

DIRECT the City Administrative Officer (CAO) to work with the LADOT, with support from the Department of City Planning, to identify the fiscal resources necessary to conduct a comprehensive transportation safety and equity analysis, including an overlay of collision maps with safety programs to identify under-resourced areas in need of transportation investments, as detailed in the September 28, 2022 LADOT report,

attached to the Council file.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The LADOT reports that the estimated cost to fulfill the request outlined in the report ranged from \$72,709 to \$152,709 as further detailed in the table contained in the September 28, 2022 LADOT report, attached to the Council file. The LADOT will work with the CAO to identify the funding necessary.

Community Impact Statement: Yes

Adopted Motion (Rodriguez – Yaroslavsky) - SEE ATTACHED
Ayes: Blumenfield, de León, Harris-Dawson, Hernandez, Hutt, Krekorian, Lee, McOsker, Padilla, Park, Price Jr., Raman, Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (15);
Nays: (0); Absent: (0)

(7) **22-1327**

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY, AND GENERAL SERVICES, ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT, and NEIGHBORHOODS AND COMMUNITY ENRICHMENT COMMITTEES' REPORT relative to a City-owned property inventory that identifies all underutilized, surplus, and/or remnant lands, and any county, regional, state, and federal public lands that could be transferred or redistributed to historically marginalized groups, and related matters.

Recommendations for Council action, pursuant to Motion (Bonin - Raman - Harris-Dawson - Price):

1. INSTRUCT the Department of General Services, Department of Recreation and Parks, Los Angeles Department of Water and Power, Harbor Department, Los Angeles World Airports, with the assistance of the City Administrative Officer and other relevant agencies, to report back within 60 days with a property inventory that identifies all underutilized, surplus, and/or remnant lands within the City of Los Angeles held by the City, and, as feasible, any public lands held by county, regional, state, and federal agencies such as the Los Angeles Unified School District, Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy, Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority, and Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority among others, that could be transferred or redistributed to

historically marginalized groups within the City.

2. REQUEST the City Attorney, with the assistance of the Department of General Services and the City Administrative Officer, to report back with an analysis of how any potential policy recommendations that meet the intent of this motion may conform with Assembly Bill 1486, also known as the Surplus Land Act.

3. INSTRUCT the Chief Legislative Analyst, with the assistance of the Civil and Human Rights and Equity Department, Department of General Services, Economic Development Department, Los Angeles Housing Department, Department of Recreation and Parks, Department of Cultural Affairs and other relevant agencies, to report back within 60 days with recommendations on how these identified underutilized, surplus, and remnant lands can be utilized for uses such as community land trusts, urban agriculture, environmental stewardship and restoration, cultural spaces, or any other uses that center principles of self-determination, community building, and healing.

Fiscal Impact Statement: Neither the CAO nor the CLA has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

(Trade, Travel, and Tourism Committee waived consideration of the above matter)

Adopted Item

Ayes: Blumenfield, de León, Harris-Dawson, Hernandez, Hutt, Krekorian, Lee, McOsker, Padilla, Park, Price Jr., Raman, Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (15); Nays: (0); Absent: (0)

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

(8) **23-0010-S7**

MOTION (McOSKER - HUTT) relative to an offer of a reward for information

leading to the identification, apprehension, and conviction of the person or persons responsible for the death of Demond Camper on July 9, 2022.

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

1. PROVIDE an offer reward in the amount of \$50,000 for information leading to the identification, apprehension, and conviction of the person or persons responsible for the death of Demond Camper on July 9, 2022.
2. FIND that the subject reward complies with the provisions of Division 19, Chapter 12, Article 1 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code.
3. DIRECT the City Clerk to cause notice and/or advertisements to be only published according to the requirements of Division 19, Chapter 12, Article 1 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code.

Adopted Item

Ayes: Blumenfield, de León, Harris-Dawson, Hernandez, Hutt, Krekorian, Lee, McOsker, Padilla, Park, Price Jr., Raman, Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (15); Nays: (0); Absent: (0)

(9) **23-0808**
CD 2

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CITY ENGINEER relative to the final map of Tract No. 73835 located at 11749-11757 West Hamlin Street, westerly of Lankershim Boulevard.

Recommendation for Council action:

APPROVE the final map of Tract No. 73835, located at 11749-11757 West Hamlin Street, westerly of Lankershim Boulevard and accompanying Subdivision Improvement Agreement and Contract with security documents.

(Bond No. C-143863)

Subdivider: Noho 37, LLC; Surveyor: Karen Korganyan

Fiscal Impact Statement: The City Engineer reports that the subdivider has paid a fee of \$9,064 for the processing of this final tract map pursuant to Section 19.02(A) (2) of the Los Angeles Municipal Code. No additional City funds are needed.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

Adopted Item

Ayes: Blumenfield, de León, Harris-Dawson, Hernandez, Hutt, Krekorian, Lee, McOsker, Padilla, Park, Price Jr., Raman, Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (15); Nays: (0); Absent: (0)

(10) **19-0005-S97**
CD 1

COMMUNICATION FROM THE LOS ANGELES HOUSING DEPARTMENT (LAHD) and RESOLUTION relative to removing the property at 225 South Columbia Place (Case No. 779483), Assessor I.D. No. 5153-016-020, from the Rent Escrow Account Program (REAP).

Recommendation for Council action:

APPROVE the LAHD report recommendation dated July 31, 2023, attached to the Council file, and ADOPT the accompanying RESOLUTION removing the property at 225 South Columbia Place (Case No. 779483), Assessor I.D. No. 5153-016-020, from the REAP.

Fiscal Impact Statement: 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 to Continue to August 30, 2023

Ayes: Blumenfield, Harris-Dawson, Hernandez, Hutt, Krekorian, Lee, McOsker, Padilla, Park, Price Jr., Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (13); Nays: (0); Absent: de León, Raman (2)

(11) **23-0005-S132**
CD 10

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

property at 2814 South Mansfield Avenue (Case No. 727302), Assessor I.D. No. 5049-029-022, from the Rent Escrow Account Program (REAP).

Recommendation for Council action:

APPROVE the LAHD report recommendation dated July 31, 2023, attached to the Council file, and ADOPT the accompanying RESOLUTION removing the property at 2814 South Mansfield Avenue (Case No. 727302), Assessor I.D. No. 5049-029-022, from the REAP.

Fiscal Impact Statement: 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 to Continue to August 16, 2023

Ayes: Blumenfield, Harris-Dawson, Hernandez, Hutt, Krekorian, Lee, McOsker, Padilla, Park, Price Jr., Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (13); Nays: (0); Absent: de León, Raman (2)

(12) **23-0005-S133**
CD 10

COMMUNICATION FROM THE LOS ANGELES HOUSING DEPARTMENT (LAHD) and RESOLUTION relative to removing the property at 3933 South Arlington Avenue (Case No. 612904), Assessor I.D. No. 5034-019-018, from the Rent Escrow Account Program (REAP).

Recommendation for Council action:

APPROVE the LAHD report recommendation dated July 31, 2023, attached to the Council file, and ADOPT the accompanying RESOLUTION removing the property at 3933 South Arlington Avenue (Case No. 612904), Assessor I.D. No. 5034-019-018, from the REAP.

Fiscal Impact Statement: 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 to Continue to August 16, 2023

Ayes: Blumenfield, Harris-Dawson, Hernandez, Hutt, Krekorian, Lee, McOsker, Padilla, Park, Price Jr., Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (13); Nays: (0); Absent: de León, Raman (2)

(13) **23-0005-S134**
CD 10

COMMUNICATION FROM THE LOS ANGELES HOUSING DEPARTMENT (LAHD) and RESOLUTION relative to removing the property at 4530 West Coliseum Street (Case No. 731121), Assessor I.D. No. 5030-012-001, from the Rent Escrow Account Program (REAP).

Recommendation for Council action:

APPROVE the LAHD report recommendation dated July 31, 2023, attached to the Council file, and ADOPT the accompanying RESOLUTION removing the property at 4530 West Coliseum Street (Case No. 731121), Assessor I.D. No. 5030-012-001, from the REAP.

Fiscal Impact Statement: 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 to Continue to August 16, 2023

Ayes: Blumenfield, Harris-Dawson, Hernandez, Hutt, Krekorian, Lee, McOsker, Padilla, Park, Price Jr., Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (13); Nays: (0); Absent: de León, Raman (2)

(14) **22-0697**

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CITY ATTORNEY and ORDINANCE FIRST CONSIDERATION relative to adding Subsection (k) to Section 41.20 and Subdivisions (9) and (10) to Section 41.20.1(a) of Article 1, Chapter IV of the Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC) to require the use of certified riggers for Special Events where portable audiovisual rigging is used.

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

PRESENT and ADOPT the accompanying ORDINANCE, dated July 5, 2023, adding Subsection (k) to Section 41.20 and Subdivisions (9) and (10) to Section 41.20.1(a) of Article 1, Chapter IV of the LAMC to require the use of certified riggers for Special Events where portable audiovisual rigging is used.

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

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

(Public Works Committee waived consideration of the above matter)

Adopted Item

**Ayes: Blumenfield, de León, Harris-Dawson, Hernandez, Hutt, Krekorian, Lee, McOsker, Padilla, Park, Price Jr., Raman, Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (15);
Nays: (0); Absent: (0)**

Items Called Special

Motions for Posting and Referral - SEE ATTACHED

Council Members' Requests for Excuse from Attendance at Council Meetings

Adjourning Motions - SEE ATTACHED

Council Adjournment

ENDING ROLL CALL

Blumenfield, de León, Harris-Dawson, Hernandez, Hutt, Krekorian, Lee, McOsker, Padilla, Park, Price Jr., Raman, Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (15) (0)

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 |
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| Rodriguez | de León | Mary Lou Calanche |
| Rodriguez | de León | Teresa Romero |

ADJOURNING MOTIONS

| MOVED BY | SECONDED BY | NAME |
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| Hutt | All Councilmembers | Reverend Thomas Hill |

MOTION

I HEREBY MOVE that Council ADOPT the recommendation contained in the City Administrative Officer report dated May 15, 2023, attached to the Council file.

PRESENTED BY _____
MONICA RODRIGUEZ
Councilmember, 7th District

SECONDED BY _____
PAUL KREKORIAN
Councilmember, 2nd District

August 9, 2023

CF 10-1078-S1

MOTION

I HEREBY MOVE that Council ADOPT the following recommendation:

DIRECT the City Administrative Officer to work with the Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT), with support from the Department of City Planning, to identify the fiscal resources necessary to conduct a comprehensive transportation safety and equity analysis, including an overlay of collision maps with safety programs to identify under-resourced areas in need of transportation investments, as detailed in the September 28, 2022 LADOT report, attached to the Council file.

PRESENTED BY _____
MONICA RODRIGUEZ
Councilmember, 7th District

SECONDED BY _____
KATY YAROSLAVSKY
Councilmember, 5th District

August 9, 2023

CF 21-1006

MOTION

In 1992, the City entered into a ground lease agreement with Venice Community Housing, a non-profit organization, for the City-owned property located at 650 Westminster Avenue in Venice. Venice Community Housing has operated its "Westminster TLC" program at the site since the lease was initiated, providing transitional housing and services to families experiencing homelessness at the property. This lease expired in January 2022, and has been in a holdover status since then. In light of the essential services being provided at the site, the City should renew this lease.

I THEREFORE MOVE that Department of General Services, with the assistance of the City Administrative Officer and City Attorney, BE DIRECTED to negotiate a renewal of the ground lease with Venice Community Housing, a non-profit organization, for the City-owned property located at 650 Westminister Avenue, Venice CA 90291. This lease should be at no cost, and for ten years with two, five-year options to renew.

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

SECONDED BY: David P. Miller

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RESOLUTION

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

WHEREAS, according to Section 208 of the Immigration and Nationality Act, asylum seekers must wait at least six months after submitting their asylum application to receive work authorization in the U.S.; and

WHEREAS, many asylum seekers live in shelters or hotels with help from local governments and nonprofits as they await the approval of their work permits; and

WHEREAS, as of May 2023, there was a backlog of more than 1.3 million asylum applications awaiting processing by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security; and

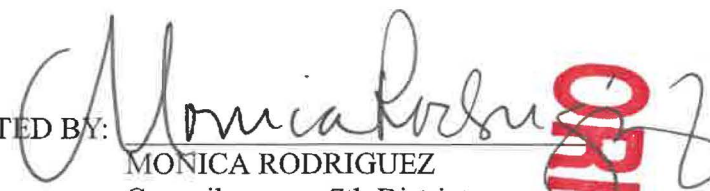
WHEREAS, currently pending before the Senate is S.2175 (Gillibrand), 'Assisting Seekers in Pursuit of Integration and Rapid Employment (ASPIRE) Act,' which would amend Section 208 of the Immigration and Nationality Act to reduce the waiting period for employment authorization for asylum applicants from six months to one month; and

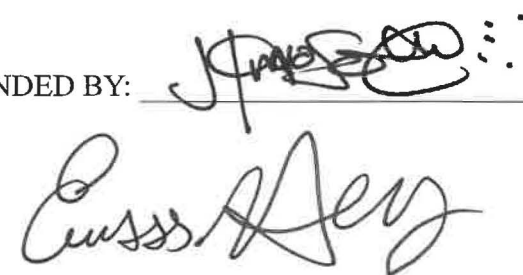
WHEREAS, S.2175 would appropriate \$2 billion for FY 2024 to U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services to address the asylum backlog by hiring additional asylum officers and providing basic asylum training, translation, and interpretation services; and

WHEREAS, S.2175 would also appropriate \$10 billion for FY 2024 to the U.S. Department of Homeland Security to provide state and local governments and nonprofits organizations with funding for shelter, food, transportation, and other support services for migrants; and

WHEREAS, S.2175 would provide much needed assistance to asylum seekers with becoming self-sufficient and establishing their roots in new communities in the U.S.;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that by the adoption of this Resolution, the City Council of the City of Los Angeles hereby includes in its 2023-24 Federal Legislative Program SUPPORT for S.2175 to amend Section 208 of the Immigration and Nationality Act to reduce the waiting period for employment authorization for asylum applicants, and allocate funding to address the asylum application backlog and provide supportive services to asylum applicants.

PRESENTED BY: 
MONICA RODRIGUEZ
Councilwoman, 7th District

SECONDED BY: 

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MOTION

Willis O. Tyler was born on July 19, 1880 in Bloomington, Illinois and passed away in June 1949, here in his adopted City of Los Angeles. Having lost both of his parents as a child, he was raised by an aunt, who had been a leader in the Bloomington station of the Underground Railroad.

At the age of 16, Tyler enrolled in Indiana University where he studied for two years. In 1898 he enlisted in the Indiana Colored Volunteer Infantry to fight for Cuba's independence in the Spanish American war. He served as a corporal and in the capacity of company clerk.

Around 1900, he returned to Indiana University where he became president of the orator's club. In 1901, he claimed the high honor of winning the annual oratorical contest of Indiana colleges. He was the only Black contestant and first Black person in state history to win the contest.

Tyler went on to graduate from Harvard Law School in 1907 or 1908, where he received the highest honors ever given to a Black student. He moved to Los Angeles and became active in the Civil Rights movement and worked closely with the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

Tyler litigated many landmark civil rights cases. Most notably was Tyler's success in the Title Guaranty v. Garrott case in 1919. H.L Garrott, an African American police officer, purchased a home for his family in South Los Angeles. A deed recorded against the property prohibited the property's being sold to any person of "African, Chinese or Japanese descent." When the title company discovered that Garrott owned the property, it sued to force him to relinquish title to his property without compensation.

Tyler represented Officer Garrott and argued that the racially restrictive covenant violated the due process clause of the 14th amendment of the US Constitution and that the restrictive covenant must be ruled invalid because it conflicted with the individual right of a seller to transfer one's property as he or she sees fit. California's Court of Appeals agreed with Tyler, and this decision helped pave the way for the U.S. Supreme Court's Shelley v. Kramer decision, outlawing racially restrictive covenants, two decades later.

Tyler also represented Willa and Charles Bruce, the founders of Bruce's Beach, in their effort to stop the City of Manhattan Beach's racially motivated eminent domain of the Bruce's Beach property.

In 1921, Tyler became one of the founding members of the Sigma Pi Phi fraternity in Los Angeles, the oldest continuously existing Greek-letter post-graduate fraternity originally founded by, and primarily for, eminent Black professional men.

Tyler's law office was located at 224 South Spring Street in downtown Los Angeles.

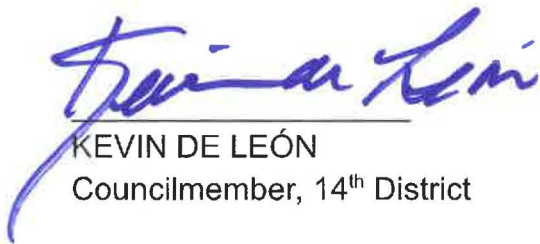
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Council District 14 would like to recognize, commend and honor Willis O. Tyler for his service to his community, this City and our country towards the advancement of racial justice by dedicating the intersection at Spring and Second Street in his honor.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the intersection at Spring and Second Streets in downtown Los Angeles be named as "Willis O. Tyler Square" and that the Department of Transportation be directed to erect permanent ceremonial signage to this effect at this location.

PRESENTED BY:



KEVIN DE LEÓN
Councilmember, 14th District

SECONDED BY:



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MOTION

The city of Los Angeles' budget for fiscal year 2023-2024 funds \$500,000 for "Quiet Zones" for railroad crossings related specifically to the McFarland Line in Wilmington. Quiet zones can come in many forms, and can be one crossing in a community, or several consecutive crossings in one or more communities. These zones can be established after implementing safety improvements that provide the same level of risk reduction as would otherwise be provided by the train horn.

Based on federal rule, since 2005 local government agencies can restrict the usage of train horns at railroad crossings which meet specified criteria. The Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) has set regulations governing how quiet zones may be sought and implemented. Beyond restriction of the horn, engineering can be a proven vehicle to create quiet zones. Crossings in these zones typically require additional safety improvements such as gates with channelization or medians, four-quadrant gates, one-way streets, and crossing closures.

As a main entryway for goods movement to and from the Port of Los Angeles, Wilmington has faced the brunt of environmental justice and quality of life impacts, and will continue to do so under the Vincent Thomas Bridge project. As a city, we are in a position to support this community that bears the brunt of impact of cargo transport, not only this entire city, but the state and the country

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Port of Los Angeles report with a phased timeline of a quiet zone feasibility study throughout the entirety of Council District 15. This should include a preliminary list of crossings that are the highest priority in establishing due to the noise and environmental impacts to the surrounding community.

I FURTHER MOVE that the Port of Los Angeles, with the assistance of the City Administrative Officer, to identify available funding for implementation of a quiet zone feasibility study throughout Council District 15.

PRESENTED BY: 

TIM McOSKER
Councilmember, 15th District

SECONDED BY: 

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