

**Los Angeles City Council, Journal/Council Proceeding**

**Wednesday, January 24, 2024**

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, Padilla, Park, Raman, Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez (11); **Absent:** de Leon, Hutt, Price Jr., Yaroslavsky (4)

**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) **20-0761-S1**

CONSIDERATION OF MOTION (HARRIS-DAWSON - BLUMENFIELD - PADILLA - HERNANDEZ - KREKORIAN - RAMAN) relative to preventing digital discrimination in the City and ensuring equitable broadband access.

**(Civil Rights, Equity, Immigration, Aging and Disability Committee report to be submitted in Council. If public hearing is not held in Committee, an opportunity for public comment will be provided.)**

**(Please visit [www.lacouncilfile.com](http://www.lacouncilfile.com) for background documents.)**

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

**Adopted Item - SEE ATTACHED**

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

**Hutt, Yaroslavsky (2)**

(2) **23-0206**

HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS COMMITTEE REPORT relative to a status update on the Fast Track Loan Program.

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

1. AMEND Recommendation II.A contained in the Los Angeles Housing Department report dated January 5, 2024, attached to Council file No. 23-0206, respectively, with the following:

AUTHORIZE the General Manager, LAHD, or designee, to additionally reserve \$15,949,787 in HOME funding, \$117,793 in Linkage Fee and \$204,430 in SB2 funding, as outlined in Table 1 contained in the corrected LAHD report dated January 17, 2024, attached to Council file No. 23-0206.

2. AUTHORIZE, the General Manager, LAHD, or designee, to issue a funding recommendation letter for each project requesting funds as identified in Table 1, contained in the corrected LAHD report dated January 17, 2024, attached to the Council file, subject to the following conditions:

- a. The final funding commitment will not exceed the amount listed.
- b. Waive the maximum loan limit for 803 East 5th Street, Firmin Court, Isla de Los Angeles, Marcella Gardens, Ruth Teague Homes and Western Avenue Apartments; and, waive the Application Submittal date requirement for Bryson II Apartments.
- c. The disbursement of LAHD funds will occur only after the sponsor obtains enforceable commitments for all proposed funding.

3. AUTHORIZE the General Manager, LAHD, or designee, subject to

review and approval of the City Attorney as to form, to negotiate and execute loan agreements with the legal owner of each applicable project identified in Table 1, contained in the corrected LAHD report dated January 17, 2024, attached to the Council file, which receive awards from the proposed leveraging sources, subject to the satisfaction of all conditions and criteria contained in the LAHD Pipeline application, the corrected LAHD report dated January 17, 2023, attached to the Council file, and the LAHD Award Letter (if applicable), with the condition that Friendship for Affordable Housing, LLC becomes the sole member of Administrative General Partner of West Third Apartments GP, LLC, Western Avenue Apartments Preservation, LP and Broadway Apartments Preservation, LP to effectuate the sale of membership interest of Shangri-La Construction, L.P., and AW Investment Holdings, LLC.

4. AUTHORIZE the General Manager, LAHD, or designee, to execute subordination agreements of the City's financial commitment, wherein the City Loan and Regulatory Agreements are subordinated to their respective conventional or municipally funded construction and permanent loans, as required.
5. AUTHORIZE the General Manager, LAHD, or designee, to allow the transfer of the City's financial commitment to a limited partnership or other legal entity formed solely for the purpose of owning and operating the project in accordance with City and Federal requirements.
6. AUTHORIZE the Controller to obligate funds for the projects as outlined in Table 1, contained in the corrected LAHD report dated January 17, 2024, attached to the Council file.
7. AUTHORIZE the General Manager, LAHD, or designee, to prepare Controller instructions and any necessary technical adjustments consistent with Mayor and City Council actions, subject to the approval of the City Administrative Officer; and, REQUEST the Controller to implement the instructions.
8. AUTHORIZE the LAHD to defer project accrued construction loan interest for projects already admitted into HHH or the Affordable Housing Managed Pipeline.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The LAHD reports that there is no General Fund impact for the Fast Track Program.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

**Adopted Item Forthwith**

**Ayes: Blumenfield, de León, Harris-Dawson, Hernandez, Krekorian, Lee, McOsker, Padilla, Park, Raman, Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez (12); Nays: (0); Absent: Hutt, Price Jr., Yaroslavsky (3)**

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

(3) **24-0005-S13  
CD 11**

COMMUNICATION FROM THE LOS ANGELES HOUSING DEPARTMENT (LAHD) and RESOLUTION relative to removing the property at 7149 South Kittyhawk Avenue (Case No. 838082), Assessor I.D. No. 4103-009-014, from the Rent Escrow Account Program (REAP).

Recommendation for Council action:

APPROVE the LAHD report recommendation dated January 12, 2024, attached to the Council file, and ADOPT the accompanying RESOLUTION removing the property at 7149 South Kittyhawk Avenue (Case No. 838082), Assessor I.D. No. 4103-009-014, 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**

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

(4) **24-0005-S14**  
**CD 10**

COMMUNICATION FROM THE LOS ANGELES HOUSING DEPARTMENT (LAHD) and RESOLUTION relative to removing the property at 4020 South Stevely Avenue (Case No. 825924), Assessor I.D. No. 5028-002-016, from the Rent Escrow Account Program (REAP).

Recommendation for Council action:

APPROVE the LAHD report recommendation dated January 12, 2024, attached to the Council file, and ADOPT the accompanying RESOLUTION removing the property at 4020 South Stevely Avenue (Case No. 825924), Assessor I.D. No. 5028-002-016, 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**

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

(5) **24-0005-S15**  
**CD 5**

COMMUNICATION FROM THE LOS ANGELES HOUSING DEPARTMENT (LAHD) and RESOLUTION relative to removing the property at 8588 West Horner Street (Case No. 755630), Assessor I.D. No. 4303-031-001, from the Rent Escrow Account Program (REAP).

Recommendation for Council action:

APPROVE the LAHD report recommendation dated January 12, 2024, attached to the Council file, and ADOPT the accompanying RESOLUTION removing the property at 8588 West Horner Street (Case No. 755630), Assessor I.D. No. 4303-031-001, 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**

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

(6) **24-0005-S16**  
**CD 5**

COMMUNICATION FROM THE LOS ANGELES HOUSING DEPARTMENT (LAHD) and RESOLUTION relative to removing the property at 9124 West National Boulevard (Case No. 814330), Assessor I.D. No. 4311-028-010, from the Rent Escrow Account Program (REAP).

Recommendation for Council action:

APPROVE the LAHD report recommendation dated January 12, 2024, attached to the Council file, and ADOPT the accompanying RESOLUTION removing the property at 9124 West National Boulevard (Case No. 814330), Assessor I.D. No. 4311-028-010, 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**

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

(7) **24-0057**  
**CD 14**

MOTION (DE LEON - PADILLA) relative to funding for additional charter bus services for youth and seniors in Council District 14.

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

1. TRANSFER and APPROPRIATE \$10,000 in the AB1290 Fund No. 53P, Account No. 281214 (CD 14 Redevelopment Projects - Services) to Transportation Fund No. 385, Account No. 94Y226 (Senior/Youth Transportation Charter Bus Program), to pay for additional charter bus services for youth and seniors in Council District 14.
2. AUTHORIZE the City Clerk and/or the Los Angeles Department of Transportation 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.

**Adopted Item**

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

(8) **21-0476**

COMMUNICATION FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF CANNABIS REGULATION (DCR) relative to front-funding and authorization to accept and deposit reimbursements for Proposition 64 (Prop 64) Public Health and Safety Grant projects.

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

1. APPROPRIATE and TRANSFER \$845,500 from Fund No. 60E/13, Reserve for Future Costs account (13Y999) to Fund No. 100/13, Contractual Services account (003040) to provide front-funding for contracts related to the DCR's Prop 64 Grant agreement, to be repaid when reimbursed by grant funds.
2. REQUEST the Controller to accept and deposit Prop 64 Grant funds in the DCR Cannabis Regulation Special Revenue Trust Fund No. 60E/13.

3. AUTHORIZE the Executive Director, DCR, or designee, to expend said funds from the account listed above for the purposes set forth in the DCR report dated January 4, 2024, attached to the Council file, and consistent with the grant requirements.
4. AUTHORIZE the DCR to prepare Controller instructions and/or make any technical adjustments that may be required, subject to the approval of the City Administrative Officer (CAO); and, request the Controller to implement these instructions.

Fiscal Impact Statement:

None submitted by the DCR. Neither the CAO nor the Chief Legislative Analyst has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

**(Planning and Land Use Management Committee waived consideration of the above matter)**

**Adopted Item**

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

(9) **20-0380-S2**

CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION (BLUMENFIELD – McOSKER) relative to extending the provisions of Section 16.02.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC), Relief from Specified Land Use Provisions, to provide temporary regulatory relief from certain time limitations and automobile parking provisions.

Recommendation for Council action:

RESOLVE to hereby extend the provisions of LAMC Section 16.02.1, Relief from Specified Land Use Provisions, to provide temporary regulatory relief from certain time limitations and automobile parking provisions during and for an additional 24-month period for a total of 36 months, after the termination or expiration of the local emergency order, as



provided in that section.

Community Impact Statement: Yes

Against:  
Studio City Neighborhood Council

**(Planning and Land Use Management Committee waived consideration of the above matter)**

**Adopted Resolution (Blumenfield – McOsker) as Amended by Motion (Harris-Dawson – Blumenfield) - SEE ATTACHED**

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

(10) **23-1246**

**CDs 7, 8, 9, 10** CONSIDERATION OF MOTION (HUTT – RODRIGUEZ – HARRIS-DAWSON – PRICE) relative to initiating consideration of the following five properties: 1) Tom and Ethel Bradley Residence; 2) California Eagle Offices; 3) First African Methodist Episcopal Church; 4) StylesVille Beauty & Barbershop; and 5) Jewel's Catch One, in the list of Historic Cultural Monuments.

Recommendations for Council action:

1. INITIATE consideration of the following five properties: (1) Tom and Ethel Bradley Residence, located at 3807 Welland Avenue, Los Angeles, California 90008; (2) California Eagle Offices, located at 4071 - 4075 South Central Avenue, Los Angeles, California 90011; (3) First African Methodist Episcopal Church, located at 2270 South Harvard Boulevard, Los Angeles, California 90018; (4) StylesVille Beauty & Barbershop, located at 13161 Van Nuys Boulevard, Pacoima, California 91331; and (5) Jewel's Catch One, located at 4067 West Pico Boulevard, Los Angeles, California 90019, as City Historic-Cultural Monuments under the procedures of Section 22.171.10 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code (LAAC); and, INSTRUCT the Department of City Planning to prepare the Historic-

Cultural Monument applications for review and consideration by the Cultural Heritage Commission (CHC).

2. **INSTRUCT the City Clerk to create subfiles, for tracking purposes, to the main Council file, for each of the abovementioned five properties, such that the applicable time limitations under the procedures of LAAC Section 22.171.10, would only be triggered upon final Council adoption of each Historic-Cultural Monument application.**
3. REQUEST the CHC, after reviewing the applications, submit the reports and recommendations to the Council regarding the inclusion of these properties in the list of Historic-Cultural Monuments.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

**(Planning and Land Use Management Committee waived consideration of the above matter)**

**Adopted Item to Continue to January 26, 2024**

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

(11) **23-1200-S167**

COMMUNICATION FROM THE MAYOR relative to the appointment of Corissa Hernandez to the Board of Building and Safety Commissioners (BBSC).

Recommendation for Council action:

RESOLVE that the Mayor's appointment of Corissa Hernandez to the BBSC for the term ending June 30, 2024, is APPROVED and CONFIRMED. Appointee currently resides in Council District 14. Corissa Hernandez will fill the vacancy created by the departure of Joselyn Geaga Rosenthal. (Current composition: M = 3; F = 1; Vacant = 1)

Financial Disclosure Statement: Filed

Background Check: Pending

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

**TIME LIMIT FILE - JANUARY 29, 2024**

**(LAST DAY FOR COUNCIL ACTION - JANUARY 26, 2024)**

**(Planning and Land Use Management Committee waived consideration of the above matter)**

**Adopted Item**

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

(12) **23-1200-S168**

COMMUNICATION FROM THE MAYOR relative to the appointment of Mario Melendez to the Cannabis Regulation Commission (CRC).

Recommendation for Council action:

RESOLVE that the Mayor's appointment of Mario Melendez to the CRC for the term ending June 30, 2025, is APPROVED and CONFIRMED. Appointee currently resides in Council District Five. Mario Melendez will fill the vacancy created by the departure of Sandra Figueroa-Villa. (Current composition: M = 3; F = 1; Vacant = 1)

Financial Disclosure Statement: Filed

Background Check: Completed

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

**TIME LIMIT FILE - FEBRUARY 5, 2024**

**(LAST DAY FOR COUNCIL ACTION - FEBRUARY 2, 2024)**

**(Planning and Land Use Management Committee waived consideration of the above matter)**

**Adopted Item**

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

(13) **23-1387  
CD 6**

COMMUNICATION FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF CITY PLANNING (DCP) and APPEAL FROM MAMBA 24 LLC relative to an appeal of a determination of incompleteness by the DCP under the Permit Streamlining Act, pursuant to California Government Code Section 65943(c), for an application filed for a Priority Housing Project consisting of a 78-unit, 100 percent affordable apartment building utilizing state density bonus provisions; for the properties located at 10898, 10898 1/2, and 10900 West Olinda Street.

Applicant: MAMBA 24 LLC

Representative: Jeff Zbikowski, JZA

Case No. CPC-2023-4205-DB-PHP-VHCA

Environmental No. ENV-2023-5356-EAF

Related Case: ADM-2023-4205-DB-ED1-VHCA

**(Motion required for Findings and Council recommendations for the above matter)**

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

**TIME LIMIT FILE - JANUARY 30, 2024**

**(LAST DAY FOR COUNCIL ACTION - JANUARY 30, 2024)**

**(Planning and Land Use Management Committee waived consideration of the above matter)**

**Adopted Item to Continue to January 30, 2024**

**Ayes: Blumenfield, Harris-Dawson, Hernandez, Krekorian, Lee, McOsker, Padilla, Park, Price Jr., Raman, Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez (12); Nays: (0); Absent: de León, Hutt, Yaroslavsky (3)**

**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, Krekorian, Lee, McOsker, Padilla, Park, Price Jr., Raman, Soto-Martínez (12); Absent: Hutt, Rodriguez, Yaroslavsky (3)

**Whereupon the Council did adjourn.**

ATTEST: Holly L. Wolcott, CITY CLERK

By

Council Clerk

PRESIDENT OF THE CITY COUNCIL

## COMMENDATORY RESOLUTIONS

<b>MOVED BY</b>	<b>SECONDED BY</b>	<b>NAME</b>
Harris-Dawson	Blumenfield	Winifred J. Yancy
Harris-Dawson	McOsker	Sergeant II Andre Wright
de León	Rodriguez	Battalion Chief Jaime Lesinski

**ADJOURNING MOTIONS**

<b>MOVED BY</b>	<b>SECONDED BY</b>	<b>NAME</b>
McOsker	All Councilmembers	Leonard Lenko Baric

CIVIL RIGHTS, EQUITY, IMMIGRATION, AGING AND DISABILITY COMMITTEE REPORT relative to preventing digital discrimination in the City and ensuring equitable broadband access.

Recommendations for Council action, as initiated by Motion (Harris-Dawson, et al. – Krekorian, et al.):

1. INSTRUCT the Civil, Human Rights and Equity Department (CHRED), in coordination with the City Attorney and Chief Legislative Analyst (CLA), to evaluate and recommend potential amendments to Ordinance No. 187032 or Ordinance No. 186084, which allow for the investigation of complaints against discrimination, to address the prevention of digital discrimination and to review and potentially utilize the definition of Digital Discrimination of Access adopted by the Federal Communications Commission Report and Order released on November 20, 2023.
2. INSTRUCT the CHRED to develop a public information program to educate the public that digital discrimination claims may be submitted utilizing its existing complaint system and to create a procedure that would also forward these claims to the Federal Communications Commission for consideration.
3. INSTRUCT the CHRED to develop a method to analyze prospective digital discrimination complaints that should include demographic information to identify potential trends within the City, and report annually on those trends.
4. INSTRUCT the Bureau of Street Lighting to report on actions that the City is taking to address the digital divide and ensure equitable broadband access for all Angelenos.
5. INSTRUCT the CLA, with the assistance of the City Administrative Officer (CAO), CHRED, and City Attorney perform a cost benefit analysis of utilizing CHRED's existing complaint system and performing direct referrals to the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). This report should include 1) Additional costs and staffing needs associated with expanding the complaint system to include and maintain this feature; and 2) Potential liabilities incurred if the City were to serve as a conduit between system users and the FCC.

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

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

## SUMMARY

At the meeting held on January 19, 2024, your Civil Rights, Equity, Immigration, Aging and Disability Committee considered a Motion (Harris-Dawson, et al. – Krekorian, et al.) relative to preventing digital discrimination in the City and ensuring equitable broadband access.

After an opportunity for public comment was held, the Committee moved to approve the recommendations contained in the Motion as amended, as detailed above. This matter is now forwarded to the Council for its consideration.



Respectfully Submitted,

CIVIL RIGHTS, EQUITY, IMMIGRATION, AGING AND DISABILITY COMMITTEE

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
SOTO-MARTÍNEZ	YES
HUTT	YES
HERNANDEZ	YES
PADILLA	YES
RODRIGUEZ	YES

ME

**-NOT OFFICIAL UNTIL COUNCIL ACTS-**

MOTION

I MOVE that the matter of Consideration of Resolution (Blumenfield-McOsker) relative to extending the provisions of Section 16.02.1 of the Municipal Code, Relief from Specified Land Use Provisions, to provide temporary regulatory relief from certain time limitations and automobile parking provisions, **Item 9** (CF 20-0380-S2) on today's Council Agenda, **BE AMENDED** to adopt the following revision to the duration of the extension as denoted in bold and additional recommendation:

1. RESOLVE to hereby extend the provisions of Municipal Code Section 16.02.1, Relief from Specified Land Use Provisions, to provide temporary regulatory relief from certain time limitations and automobile parking provisions during and for an additional **24 12-month** period for a total of **36 24 months**, after the termination or expiration of the local emergency order, as provided in that section.
2. INSTRUCT the Department of Building and Safety, Planning Department, and any other relevant department, to provide a report with recommendations before this 12-month extension expires on businesses impacted by this Resolution, and if additional extensions are necessary, and how this may impact the City.

PRESENTED BY:



MARQUEECE HARRIS DAWSON  
Councilmember, 8<sup>th</sup> District

SECONDED BY:



ORIGINAL

January 24, 2024

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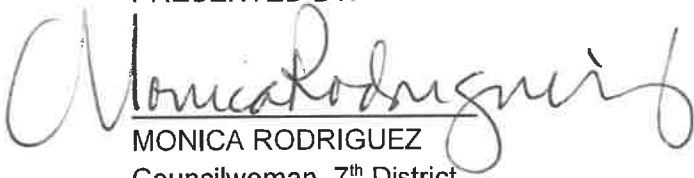


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REGULAR COUNCIL AGENDA TO BE POSTED #51

## MOTION

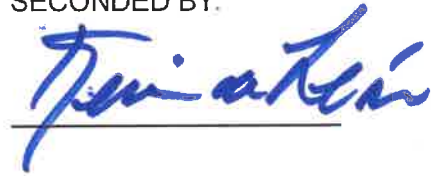
I MOVE that the Council Action of August 29, 2023 relative to El Grito (CF: 23-0826) BE AMENDED to instruct and authorize the Department of General Services to enter and execute a contract for the 2023 El Grito celebration, subject to the approval of the City Attorney as to form and legality, and to make expenditures associated with this year's event utilizing funds identified in the text of that action.

PRESENTED BY:



MONICA RODRIGUEZ  
Councilwoman, 7<sup>th</sup> District

SECONDED BY:



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JAN 24 2024

MOTION

TRADE, TRAVEL AND TOURISM

In accordance with State Law, the City Clerk is compiling petitions to establish the Highland Park Business Improvement District (BID). The BID would serve the community by providing such services as corridor clean up, graffiti removal, landscaping and beautification. The boundaries of the proposed BID include both privately-owned parcels and City-owned parcels.

The City has previously supported BID formation efforts in areas where the City owns property. Given that the City owns several parcels in the proposed BID boundaries, the Council should instruct the City Clerk to sign the petition for the City-owned parcels.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the City Council instruct the City Clerk, or designee, to sign the petition for the City-owned parcels included in the Highland Park Business Improvement District.

I FURTHER MOVE that the City Clerk be authorized to make any changes or adjustments to the above instructions in order to effectuate the intent of this Motion.

PRESENTED BY:



KEVIN DE LEÓN

Councilmember, 14<sup>th</sup> District

SECONDED BY:



ORIGINAL



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## MOTION

NEIGHBORHOOD & COMMUNITY  
ENRICHMENT

El Pueblo de Los Angeles Historical Monument is the birthplace of our city and a destination for both residents and visitors. The world-renowned 22-acre historic district reflects the diverse communities that together forged Los Angeles. As home to world-famous Olvera Street, the district uniquely integrates museums, historical sites, retail, restaurants, events, and filming. As expressed in their mission statement, El Pueblo, “promotes, safeguards, and preserves the City’s Birthplace, and culturally diverse heritage through the effective management of its commercial and historical resources and events.”


El Pueblo is currently working with the Bureau of Engineering (BOE) to develop a master plan to replace the outdated 1981 General Plan. The El Pueblo de Los Angeles Executive Management Team and Council District 14 have developed a vision for the El Pueblo Master Plan which will assist in the protection and activation of historic and cultural resources, prioritization of future development goals, identification of the highest and best use for future commercial revenue generating opportunities, and the execution of projects.

The scope of work will be implemented in two major components: The Master Plan and the Project Implementation Plan. The objectives for the new El Pueblo Master Plan are centered on guiding new development, appropriate adaptive reuse of existing buildings, reinvigorating the commercial vitality of retail and dining, expanding meaningful and accessible cultural and educational offerings, and preserving the district’s historic scale while linking the area to surrounding cultural districts.

The Bureau of Engineering (BOE) has solicited a Task Order Solicitation (TOS), scored proposals, negotiated the fees, and developed a recommendation for the TOS award of the Master Plan portion of the scope of work. An appropriation of \$500,000 from the BOE’s MICLA Fund is required to fund the consultant services needed for the development of the El Pueblo Master Plan. The transfer of funds, as noted below, will give the BOE access to funding needed for the Master Plan, and will subsequently allow for the Board of Public Works to consider the BOE’s TOS award recommendation. There is no General Fund impact on operations and maintenance as this is an administrative action.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Council, subject to the approval of the Mayor,

1. Approve the transfer of \$500,000 from the El Pueblo Fund to the Engineering Special Services Fund as noted below, for consultant services for the El Pueblo Master Plan.

  
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1. 2024/01/04 10:00 AM  
2024/01/04 10:00 AM

FROM:

<u>Funding Source</u>	<u>Fund/ Dept/ Account</u>	<u>Amount</u>
El Pueblo	100/33/003040, Contractual Services	\$500,000

TO:

Engineering Special Services Fund	682/50/ TBD, El Pueblo Master Plan	\$500,000
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2. Authorize the CAO to make technical corrections as necessary to the above transaction included in this motion to implement Mayor and Council intentions.

PRESENTED BY:



KEVIN DE LEÓN  
Councilmember, 14<sup>th</sup> District

SECONDED BY:



**ORIGINAL**

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On December 4, 2023, Metro released the Final Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the Los Angeles Aerial Rapid Transit (LA ART), an unsolicited proposal initiated by Frank McCourt, the current part-owner of the parking lots surrounding Dodger Stadium. LA ART is a first/last mile proposal to connect Dodger Stadium to Union Station and Chinatown at the Los Angeles State Historic Park using an aerial transit system over a 1.2-mile stretch, primarily in Council District 1. Proponents of the project claim it will be a panacea to mitigate game day and event traffic, however, the EIR exclusively studies an aerial transit system without seriously studying any potential alternatives.

The last time a traffic mitigation study on Dodger Stadium was conducted was in 1990. Since then, the communities surrounding the Stadium have experienced major changes: the construction of the A and E light rails and Regional Connector, reorganization of the Metro bus network under NextGen, increased proliferation of rideshare services, leasing of Dodger Stadium for massive private events, increased local housing and infrastructure density, increased regional sprawl, and other significant changes. Traffic concerns and innovative solutions have not been reevaluated in over 30 years. Meanwhile the crushing impacts of pollution and traffic congestion have unremittingly weighed on the Solano Canyon, Elysian Valley, Echo Park, Chinatown, Angelino Heights, Lincoln Heights and other nearby communities near Dodger Stadium. It is troublesome to prioritize a single, unsolicited project without a comprehensive understanding of all potential traffic mitigation measures available to the City and Metro that best serves the local community while reducing regional dependency on automobiles to arrive at the stadium, especially given the everlasting impact of a fixed aerial transit system amongst shifting dynamics of these neighborhoods.

Before the City uses fiscal and staff resources to advance the Aerial Rapid Transit project, a robust, holistic, and unbiased study must be conducted. All potential traffic mitigation measures, including but not limited to: developing a zero emission targeted regional bus solution to provide options for transferless and direct transportation; enhancing existing regional transportation opportunities; and improving first/last mile solutions inclusive of bus rapid transit and active transit such as enhancing pedestrian and bicycle networks leading to the Stadium. Together these targeted regional and local zero emissions improvements – along with investments from the Dodgers – would modernize and improve pedestrian and vehicular loading at entrances and exits, and circulation within the stadium's radius. This could reduce traffic in the parking lots, enhancing the venue experience and boosting tourism to the area, reducing other negative traffic impacts in the surrounding communities, and potentially revitalizing the economies of local business districts. Targeting a comprehensive solution on game days could bolster transit ridership and increase foot traffic, emulating transit ridership rates similar to the Hollywood Bowl at 25% to 33% with a lower overall cost to Metro, the City, and the Community.

The residents of Council District 1 and the Council deserve to understand the full scope of options available to mitigate the longstanding issues of the traffic caused by Dodger Stadium and events before considering the LA ART project. The project would have profound ramifications on the lives of residents, prospectively removing the use of public open space, native wildlife, residents' privacy, noise and light pollution, and accelerating gentrification, among other concerns. Initiating a thorough traffic assessment around the stadium will shed light on all the potential options available to mitigate traffic impacts. The Metro Board is currently pending certification of the EIR and approval of the project; the City must take all the necessary steps to fully analyze the multifaceted impacts and potential solutions to alleviate traffic around Dodger Stadium.

  
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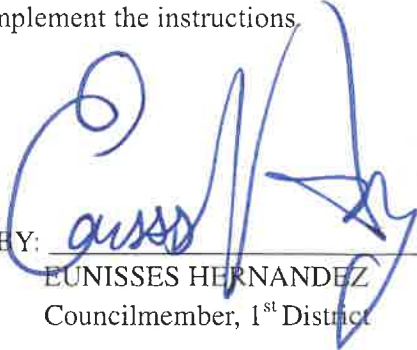
I THEREFORE MOVE that **\$50,000** in the Council District One portion of the Street Revenue Fund No. 43D Dept. 50 AND **\$450,000** in the Council District One portion of the Neighborhood Service Enhancement line item in the General City Purpose Fund 100-56 (TOTAL **\$500,000**) be transferred /appropriated to the Department of Transportation Neighborhood Traffic Management Trust Fund 47H, with a new account number to be determined titled "Dodger Stadium Traffic Assessment" to contract a consultant and conduct a traffic assessment on "community impact zones" around Dodger Stadium, including but not limited to Solano Canyon, Elysian Valley, Chinatown, Angelino Heights, and Echo Park;

I FURTHER MOVE that the City Council suspend any action on approving advancements to the LA ART project contingent upon the results and recommendations of the updated Dodger Stadium Traffic Assessment;


I FURTHER MOVE that the Department of Transportation (LADOT), in conjunction with the Chief Legislative Analyst (CLA) and other relevant Departments, report back on traffic policies for events at other venues and stadiums, such as the Rose Bowl, Hollywood Bowl, SoFi, BMO, Universal Studios and the Coliseum, and provide recommendations for policies that affect surrounding traffic, community queuing, local parking impacts, and options to compel private entities to invest in traffic mitigation measures to reduce the adverse impacts to communities caused by their operations; and

I FURTHER MOVE to authorize the General Manager of LADOT or designee, to prepare Controller instructions and any necessary technical adjustments consistent with Mayor and City Council actions, subject to the approval of the City Administrative Officer (CAO), and instruct the Controller to implement the instructions.

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On February 1, 2024, compounding housing crises will come to a head and thousands of vulnerable tenants across the City will be at risk of losing their homes as arrears for rent owed between October 1, 2021 - January 31, 2023 are due and rent increases of up to 6% in rent stabilized units are allowed. City Council has taken important action since the onset of the pandemic in March of 2020 to protect tenants and ensure that people remain housed to both curb the effects of the ongoing health crisis, while also maintaining economic stability for Angelenos.

This includes, amongst other interventions, the United to House LA (ULA) Emergency Renters Assistance Program (ERAP). In October 2023, the Los Angeles Housing Department (LAHD) launched application processes for both tenants and small landlords, that allow renters and property owners to apply for up to 6 months of unpaid rent for those who qualify and are selected. In December 2023, the LA Housing Department (LAHD) released a publicly accessible dashboard showcasing ULA ERAP application data. According to the dashboard, there were over \$472 million in claims from 31,362 applications - nearly \$454 million more than the \$30.4 million dedicated for short-term rental assistance. Even so, since the application period closed in late October, as of this week only \$7.9 million of these funds have been paid out or are in progress to be paid to ~3,000 tenant applicants and 226 landlord applicants. The amount of funds that have actually reached tenants to date represents only 25% of the funds allocated for emergency assistance and less than 2% of funds requested by those in need.

ULA ERAP applicants whose applications have not yet been finalized are in a precarious situation and represent over tens of thousands of vulnerable tenants. In the Housing and Homelessness Committee on January 17, 2024, LAHD made clear that it will take weeks if not months for all ERAP funding to be distributed to applicants. This means that many of these tenants might be served eviction notices even as their rental assistance is in route to their landlord.

Of these applicants, 84% were from renters who are within or under the 30% AMI threshold - meaning the residents across Los Angeles who are in the most need are at greatest risk of being evicted. Further, of those who applied for rental assistance, approximately 37% are Black Angelenos, while this group only makes up ~ 9% of the population. Moving quickly to keep these Angelenos housed is a matter of racial and economic justice and will have lasting impacts for years to come.

Additionally, one of the impactful protections that have been put in place since February 2023 includes disallowing eviction if a tenant owes less than one month of fair market rent. With thousands of pending ERAP applications, it is unclear how many of the tenants will become current in owed rent or owe less than one month of fair market rent, protecting them from eviction on February 1.

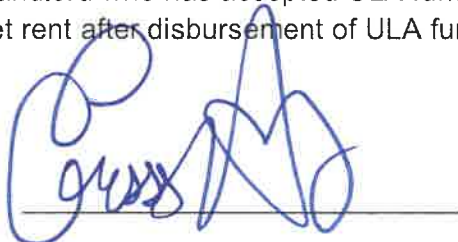
  
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The City must not allow for the eviction of tenants whose applications are still being processed or allow for the disbursement of rental assistance to landlords who evict their tenants. The original intention of ERAP was to keep people who have rental arrears housed. If the City were to allow for the eviction of people who have pending applications, it will not only exacerbate the current homelessness crisis and put the City at risk of litigation, it also renders this program ineffective at achieving its primary goal after a hard fought win from the majority of voters who supported ULA and a major allocation of resources that has been deployed by LAHD to move this forward.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the City Attorney, with support from LAHD, be requested to prepare and present an amendment to Ordinance 187736 to ensure that in the event that landlords and tenants have open ULA applications, landlords be prohibited from evicting those tenants until a determination of ULA application status has been made and funds have been distributed to the landlord, if approved.

I FURTHER MOVE to instruct LAHD to report back in 10 days on mechanisms needed to ensure that a landlord who has accepted ULA funds is not evicting its tenants who owe less than fair market rent after disbursement of ULA funds.

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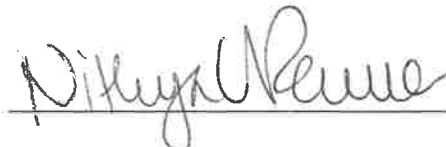


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