Los Angeles City Council, Journal/Council Proceeding Wednesday, February 21, 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: Absent: Harris-Dawson, Hernandez, Hutt, Krekorian, Lee, McOsker, Padilla, Park, Price Jr., Raman, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (12); Absent: Blumenfield, de de León, Rodriguez (13)

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) **23-0038-S2**

HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS COMMITTEE REPORT relative to a proposed Request for Proposals (RFP) to solicit qualified legal service providers to provide legal representation services for the United to House LA (ULA) Protections from Tenant Anti-Harassment Program.

Recommendations for Council action, pursuant to Motion (Raman – Hernandez):

 AUTHORIZE the General Manager, Los Angeles Housing Department (LAHD), or designee, with the assistance of the City Administrative Officer (CAO), and other relevant departments, to prepare and release an RFP to solicit qualified legal service providers to provide legal representation services for the ULA Protections from Tenant Anti-Harassment Program. The RFP shall be subject to review and approval by the City Attorney as to form.

2. DIRECT the LAHD to be responsible for assessing responses of the subject RFP and to submit results with recommendations to the Mayor and Council, including funding levels and Controller instructions.

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement:</u> 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, de León, Harris-Dawson, Hernandez, Hutt, Lee, McOsker, Padilla, Park, Raman, Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (13); Nays: (0); Absent: Krekorian, Price Jr. (2)

(2) **23-1372**

HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS COMMITTEE REPORT relative to recent insurance increases faced by supportive and affordable housing developers and homeless service providers.

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

DIRECT the Chief Legislative Analyst (CLA), with assistance from the Los Angeles Housing Department, and with the requested input of the Housing Authority of the City of Los Angeles, Service Planning Area lead agencies, the Supportive Housing Alliance, and the Southern California Association of NonProfit Housing, to report to Council in 90 days with an analysis of recent insurance increases faced by supportive and affordable housing developers and homeless service providers, their potential impacts on supportive housing development and service provision, and what potential state and federal action can be undertaken to address the issue.

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement:</u> Neither the City Administrative Officer nor the CLA has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

Adopted Item

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

(3) **24-0083**

HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS COMMITTEE REPORT relative to identifying organizations currently providing health and behavioral health services to Angelenos; strategies to improve coordination of service delivery and communication with the City; and related matters.

Recommendations for Council action, pursuant to Motion (Blumenfield - Hernandez – Raman – Rodriguez):

- 1. INSTRUCT the City Administrative Officer (CAO), with the assistance of the Chief Legislative Analyst (CLA), to confer with the Los Angeles County (County) Care First Community Investment Committee, County Department of Public Health, County Department of Health Services, and County Office of Diversion and Reentry, to identify organizations, by Council Districts, currently providing health and behavioral health services to Angelenos, and report to Council with strategies to improve coordination of service delivery, and communication with the City.
- 2. INSTRUCT the Personnel Department, with the assistance of the Youth Development Department (YDD), the Economic and Workforce Development Department (EWDD), and the CLA, to assist the CAO in identifying academic institutions and certification programs that educate and prepare the behavioral health workforce.
- 3. INSTRUCT the Los Angeles Housing Department and CAO to report to Council on the management of Street Medicine contracts and on Recommendation No. 14 of the Housing and Homeless Committee report dated May 17, 2023, attached to Council file No. 20-1524-S1.
- 4. INSTRUCT the CAO, with the assistance of the CLA, the EWDD,

the YDD, and the Personnel Department, to report to Council on strategies and best practices utilized to address behavioral health workforce shortages, including incentives such as: student loan repayment, payment of school and certification fees, and moving stipends, and programs the City can develop and/or participate in, inclusive of hiring technical advisors to assist in the development of dispatch, pre-crisis/prevention, emergency response, and post-crisis/follow up programs.

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

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

Adopted Item

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

(4) **20-0354** CD 9

EXEMPTION and HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS COMMITTEE REPORT relative to extending the term of an Exclusive Negotiation Agreement (ENA) to acquire and rehabilitate affordable housing on Cityowned property located at 1211 East 43rd Street in Council District 9.

Recommendations for Council action:

- DETERMINE that the project located 1211 East 43rd Street in Council District 9 is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) under Article 19, Section 15301 Class 1 of the State CEQA Guidelines because minor rehabilitation of the existing 5 housing units will not result in a significant impact or effect upon or direct or indirect physical change to the environment.
- AUTHORIZE the General Manager, Los Angeles Housing Department (LAHD), or designee, to extend the term of the ENA for the 1211 East 43rd Street Project for an additional one-year term, for an end date of March 9, 2025; and prepare and execute any documents necessary to facilitate or implement such extensions,

subject to review and approval as to form by the City Attorney.

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement:</u> The LAHD reports that there is no impact on the General Fund. The recommendations contained in this report will authorize LAHD to extend the negotiation period of this ENA.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

Adopted Item

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

(5) **23-1182-S3**

HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS COMMITTEE REPORT relative to filling Homeless Engagement Team (HET) vacancies; approving the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority's (LAHSA) Scope of Work for the housing/system navigator position; and related matters.

Recommendations for Council action:

- 1. INSTRUCT the Los Angeles Housing Department to authorize the filling of up to ten HET vacant positions with housing/system navigators in the LAHSA General Fund contract.
- 2. ADOPT and APPROVE LAHSA's System Navigator Scope of Work, attached to the Homeless Strategy Committee (HSC) report dated February 1, 2024, attached to Council file No. 23-1182-S3, for the housing/system navigator position.

3. REQUEST the LAHSA to:

a. Report on existing housing navigation services and types of housing navigation in the system and where it is available in the City-funded interim housing sites and to provide recommendations on how to improve the provision of housing navigation services in sites where they are not being provided.

- i. The report should include the criteria for each deployment and how navigation type is matched with a client as well as information on how long it takes for a person experiencing homelessness to get from outreach to a housing placement with the help of housing navigation.
- b. Set program goals for housing navigation and incorporate the program metrics in its key performance indicator reporting.

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement:</u> The HSC reports that there is no additional General Fund impact as a result of the recommendations in the report. The recommendations in this report utilize budgeted funds (General Fund) previously approved for HETs.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

Adopted Item

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

(6) **23-0447**

HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the City's immediate and long-term role in the Community Assistance, Recovery, and Empowerment (CARE) Court Program.

Recommendation for Council action:

NOTE and FILE the City Administrative Officer report dated January 29, 2024, relative to the City's immediate and long-term role in the CARE Court Program.

Fiscal Impact Statement: Not applicable

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)

(7) **22-1545-S14**

HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the Homelessness Emergency Account – General City Purposes Fund 11th Status Report for the week ending January 19, 2024.

Recommendation for Council action:

NOTE and FILE the City Administrative Officer report dated February 1, 2024, attached to Council file No. 22-1545-S14, relative to the Homelessness Emergency Account – General City Purposes Fund 11th Status Report for the week ending January 19, 2024.

Fiscal Impact Statement: Not applicable

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

Adopted Item

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

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

(8) **24-0011-S6** CD 10

MOTION (HUTT - LEE) relative to funding for the printing and installation of banners publicizing the 50th Los Angeles Korean Festival in Council District 10.

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

1. UTILIZE \$5,841.48 from the Council District 10 portion of the Street Furniture Revenue Fund No. 43D/50 to pay for the printing and installation of banners publicizing the 50th Los Angeles Korean Festival; and, AUTHORIZE the Board of Public Works, Office of

Accounting to make payment to The AmGraph Group in this amount for this purpose.

2. AUTHORIZE the Bureau of Street Services and/or the Board of Public Works, Office of Accounting 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, Hutt, Krekorian, Lee, McOsker, Padilla, Park, Price Jr., Raman, Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (15);

Nays: (0); Absent: (0)

(9) **24-0011-S7 CD 10**

MOTION (HUTT - BLUMENFIELD) relative to funding for the 6th Avenue and 7th Avenue Alley / Fencing (J284) project in Council District 10.

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

- TRANSFER and APPROPRIATE \$13,332 in the Council District 10 portion of the Street Furniture Revenue Fund No. 43D/50 to the General Services Fund No. 100/40, as follows: \$2,767 to Account No. 001014 (Salaries Construction) and \$10,565 to Account No. 003180, (Construction Materials) for the 6th Avenue and 7th Avenue Alley / Fencing (J284) project in Council District 10.
- 2. AUTHORIZE the Department of General Services 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, Hutt, Krekorian, Lee,

McOsker, Padilla, Park, Price Jr., Raman, Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (15); Nays: (0); Absent: (0)

(10) **15-0070-S5 CD 10**

MOTION (HUTT - RODRIGUEZ) relative to funding for supplemental charter bus services in Council District 10.

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

- TRANSFER and APPROPRIATE \$75,000 in the AB1290 Fund No. 53P, Account No. 281210 (CD 10 Redevelopment Projects -Services) to the Transportation Fund No. 385/94, Account No. 94Y226 for supplemental charter bus services in Council District 10.
- 2. AUTHORIZE the City Clerk and/or the 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, 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 - NO MOTIONS INTRODUCED AT THIS DAY'S MEETING

Council Members' Requests for Excuse from Attendance at Council Meetings

Adjourning Motions

Council Adjournment

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

(11) **24-0071** CD **15**

CONSIDERATION OF MOTION (McOSKER – HUTT) relative to naming the intersection of East Imperial Highway and South Central Avenue in Watts as "Anthony Tiffith T.D.E. Music Square."

Recommendations for Council action:

- 1. DESIGNATE the intersection of East Imperial Highway and South Central Avenue in Watts as "Anthony Tiffith T.D.E. Music Square."
- 2. INSTRUCT the Los Angeles Department of Transportation to erect permanent ceremonial sign(s) to this effect at this location.

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)

ENDING ROLL CALL

Blumenfield, de León, Harris-Dawson, Hernandez, Hutt, Krekorian, Lee, McOsker, Padilla, Park, Raman, Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (14); Absent: Price Jr. (1)

Whereupon the Council did adjourn.

ATTEST: Holly L. Wolcott, CITY CLERK

Council Clerk

PRESIDENT OF THE CITY COUNCIL

COMMENDATORY RESOLUTIONS

| MOVED BY | SECONDED BY | NAME |
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| Rodriguez | Krekorian | Officer Evelyn Nelson |