# **COMMENDATORY RESOLUTIONS**

MOVED BY	SECONDED BY	NAME
Krekorian	Lee	Armenian State Symphony
		Orchestra
Lee	McOsker	Command Officer Robert J.
		Cosner
McOsker	Lee	K-9 Police Officer Maria G.
		Hernandez
McOsker	Park	Captain Giuseppe Lai

# **ADJOURNING MOTIONS**

MOVED BY	SECONDED BY	NAME
Hutt	All Members	Vennie Lee Cathcart Liddell
Lee / Rodriguez	All Members	Raul Porto, Sr.
Krekorian	All Members	Chadrice "Chad" Tatum
Krekorian	All Members	Russel Moichi Fujii

TRADE, TRAVEL AND TOURISM COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the Workforce Development Board (WDB) Year 25 Annual Plan for Program Year 2024-25, and related matters.

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

- 1. APPROVE the recommendations listed in the June 6, 2024 report from the City Administrative Officer (CAO), attached to the Council file.
- 2. INSTRUCT the EWDD to work with the Mayor's Office, City Attorney, CLA and proprietary departments to prepare draft language for proposed City policy to set-aside an estimated one to three (1-3) percent of all City capital infrastructure projects funded by the federal Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, Inflation Reduction Act, and other federal capital grant programs to be directed for city workforce development training programs and small business procurement training and report in 60 days.
- 3. INSTRUCT the CLA to provide recommendations on current and potential future capital infrastructure grants received by the City that would be subject to this set aside policy.
- 4. ADOPT the Revised Procurement and Contract Execution Guidelines, attached to the Council file.
- 5. INSTRUCT the EWDD to provide quarterly updates to Council demonstrating the fulfillment of all obligations of the WDB/LEO Agreement, including but not limited to the Annual Plan, Mid-Year Report, and Los Angeles Regional Planning Unit Report.
- 6. NOTE and FILE the Chief Legislative Analyst (CLA) report dated June 12, 2024, attached to the Council file.
- 7. NOTE and FILE the Economic and Workforce Development Department (EWDD) and WDB joint report dated June 3, 2024, attached to the Council file.

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement</u>: The CAO reports that the recommendations stated in said CAO report would decrease related costs reimbursements to the General Fund by approximately \$0.57 million in Fiscal Year 2024-25, from \$5.14 million in the 2024-25 Adopted Budget to \$4.57 million in the Year 25 Annual Plan. Approval of the recommendations in said CAO report would decrease reimbursements for the EWDD salary related costs to the General Fund from the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Fund and other grant sources in this amount.

<u>Financial Policies Statement</u>: The CAO reports that the recommendations in said CAO report are in compliance with the City's Financial Policies in that federal, state, and local grant sources and the 2024-25 Adopted Budget support budgeted costs in the Annual Plan. The recommendations in said CAO report involve the allocation of approximately \$118.6 million toward the WDB Program Year 25 (FY 2024-25) Annual Plan from various federal and state grants and from local sources, including the WIOA, Los Angeles County grants, and other formula and competitive grant sources.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

#### **SUMMARY**

At the meeting held on June 18, 2024, your Trade, Travel and Tourism Committee considered an EWDD and WDB joint report, CAO report and CLA report relative to the WDB Year 25 Annual Plan for Program Year 2024-25, and related matters.

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

Respectfully Submitted,

TRADE, TRAVEL AND TOURISM COMMITTEE

MEMBER<br/>PARK:VOTE<br/>YESMCOSKER:YESDE LEÓN:ABSENTPRICE:YESSOTO-MARTÍNEZ:YES

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-NOT OFFICIAL UNTIL COUNCIL ACTS-

Guardians was founded in 2015 by a group of Firefighters, Military and Law Enforcement individuals who recognized the need to bring individuals with similar backgrounds and experiences together to form a community of support and action.

In partnership with VFW Post 2323 and LASAN, Guardians will be participating in a community beautification project in Council District 12. This effort is of special benefit for the residents of CD12 and deserves financial assistance from the City. Sufficient funds are available in the Council District 12 portion of the Neighborhood Service Enhancements line item in the GCP portion of the 2023-2024 City Budget for this purpose.

## I THEREFORE MOVE that the Council adopt the following actions:

- 1. Transfer / appropriate \$435 in the Council District 12 portion of the Neighborhood Service Enhancements line item General City Purposes Fund No. 100-56, to the LASAN Fund No. 100-82, Account No. 1010 (Salaries General) to be used for additional services in Council District 12.
- 2. Transfer / appropriate \$3,157 in the Council District 12 portion of the Neighborhood Service Enhancements line item General City Purposes Fund No. 100-56, to the LASAN Fund No. 100-82, Account No. 6020 (Operating Supplies) to be used for additional services in Council District 12.
- 2. Authorize LASAN 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 including any corrections and changes to fund or account numbers; said corrections / clarifications / changes may be made orally, electronically or by any other means.

PRESENTED BY

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Councilmember, 12<sup>th</sup> District

SECONDED BY Jrain Paule

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# TO CITY CLERK FOR PLACEMENT ON NEXT/ RIMOTION OUNCIL AGENDA TO BE POSTED

Building 205 Preservation, LP, a California limited partnership (Sponsor), previously requested that the City of Los Angeles (City) through the Los Angeles Housing Department (LAHD) issue Multifamily Housing Revenue Bonds, in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$23,000,000 to finance the new construction of the 68-unit multifamily housing development known as Building 205 (Project) located at 11301 Wilshire Boulevard in Council District 11. The Project will provide 67 units of affordable housing and one manager unit.

In accordance with the Tax Equity and Fiscal Responsibility Act of 1982 (TEFRA) and as part of the bond "reissuance" process, LAHD conducted the required public hearing on June 7, 2024. Notice of the public hearing was published on May 31, 2024. The Sponsor has pledged to comply with all City and LAHD bond policies related to the work described in this Motion, including but not limited to payment of prevailing wages for labor and project monitoring with the LAHD.

The Sponsor has requested the City to approve certain modifications to the bond documents to increase the permanent loan amount of the Bonds which amendments will cause the Bonds to be "reissued" under the Code.

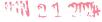
The City is a conduit issuer and is required by federal law to review and approve all projects within its jurisdiction and conduct a public hearing. The bond debt is payable solely from revenues or other funds provided by the Sponsor. The City does not incur liability for repayment of the bonds. To allow the bonds to be reissued in accordance with federal requirements, the Council should approve the minutes of the hearing and adopt the required Resolution (attached).

I THEREFORE MOVE that the City Council consider the attached results of the TEFRA public hearing held on June 7, 2024 for Building 205 and adopt the attached TEFRA Resolution and Minutes to approve the reissuance of bonds in an amount not to exceed \$23,000,000 for the new construction of a 68-unit multifamily housing development located at 11301 Wilshire Boulevard in Council District 11.

PRESENTED BY:

TRACI PARK

Councilmember, 11th District





#### RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION APPROVING FOR PURPOSES OF SECTION 147(f) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986 THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS OR NOTES BY THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES TO FINANCE THE ACQUISITION, REHABILITATION, CONSTRUCTION AND/OR EQUIPPING OF MULTIFAMILY RESIDENTIAL RENTAL PROJECTS LOCATED WITHIN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES.

WHEREAS, the City of Los Angeles (the "City") is authorized, pursuant to Section 248, as amended, of the City Charter of the City and Article 6.3 of Chapter I of Division 11 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code, as amended (collectively, the "Law"), and in accordance with Chapter 7 of Part 5 of Division 31 (commencing with Section 52075) of the Health and Safety Code of the State of California (the "Act"), to issue its revenue bonds or notes for the purpose of providing financing for the acquisition, construction, rehabilitation and equipping of multifamily rental housing for persons and families of low or moderate income; and

WHEREAS, the City intends to issue or reissue for federal income tax purposes certain bonds or notes (the "Bonds") the proceeds of which will be used to finance the acquisition, construction, rehabilitation and equipping of the multifamily rental housing projects described in paragraph 6 hereof (the "Projects"); and

WHEREAS, the Projects are located within the County of Los Angeles (the "County") but not within the City; and

WHEREAS, the County has previously consented to the City's issuance of the Bonds to finance the Projects pursuant to an agreement authorized by the Act; and

WHEREAS, it is in the public interest and for the public benefit that the City authorize the financing of the Projects, and it is within the powers of the City as conveyed by the County under the Act to provide for such financing and the issuance or reissuance of the Bonds; and

WHEREAS, the interest on the Bonds may qualify for a federal tax exemption under Section 142(a)(7) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (the "Code"), only if the Bonds are approved in accordance with Section 147(f) of the Code; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Code, Bonds are required to be approved, following a public hearing, by an elected representative of the issuer of the Bonds (or of the governmental unit on behalf of which the Bonds are issued) and an elected representative of the governmental unit having jurisdiction over the area in which the relevant Project is located; and

WHEREAS, this City Council is the elected legislative body of the City and is the applicable elected representative required to approve the issuance or reissuance of the Bonds on behalf of the issuer of the Bonds within the meaning of Section 147(f) of the Code; and

WHEREAS, the County has agreed to approve the issuance or reissuance of the Bonds on behalf of the governmental unit having jurisdiction over the area in which the Projects are located for purposes of Section 147(f) of the Code; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 147(f) of the Code, the City caused a notice to appear in the Los Angeles Times, which is a newspaper of general circulation in the City, on September 28, 2018, to the effect that a public hearing would be held with respect to the Projects on October 12, 2018 regarding the issuance of the Bonds; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 147(f) of the Code, the City caused a notice to appear on the Los Angeles Housing Department website https://housing2.lacity.org on and after May 31, 2024, to the effect that a public hearing would be held with respect to the Projects on June 7, 2024, regarding the issuance or reissuance of the Bonds; and

WHEREAS, the Los Angeles Housing Department held said public hearing on such date, at which time an opportunity was provided to present arguments both for and against the issuance or reissuance of the Bonds; and

WHEREAS, the minutes of said hearing have been presented to this City Council;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Los Angeles, as follows:

- 1. The recitals hereinabove set forth are true and correct, and this City Council so finds. This Resolution is being adopted pursuant to the Law and the Act.
- 2. Pursuant to and solely for purposes of Section 147(f) of the Code, the City Council hereby approves the issuance or reissuance of the Bonds by the City in one or more series up to the maximum amounts specified in paragraph 6 below and a like amount of refunding bonds, pursuant to a plan of financing, to finance or refinance the Projects. It is intended that this Resolution constitute approval of the Bonds by the applicable elected representative of the issuer of the Bonds in accordance with said Section 147(f).
- 3. Pursuant to the Law and in accordance with the Act, the City hereby authorizes the Los Angeles Housing Department to proceed with a mortgage revenue bond program designed to provide housing within the City of Los Angeles for low- and moderate-income persons through the issuance or reissuance of the Bonds for the Projects, in one or more series, pursuant to a plan of finance and in amounts not to exceed those specified in paragraph 6 hereof.
- 4. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary hereof, the City shall be under no obligation to issue any portion of the Bonds described in paragraph 6 hereof to be issued or reissued by the City for the Projects prior to review and approval by the City and the City Attorney of the documents, terms and conditions relating to such Bonds.
  - 5. [Reserved].
  - 6. The "Projects" referred to hereof is as follows:

Project Name:	Address	#Units:	Project Sponsor	Maximum Amount:
Building 205	11301 Wilshire Boulevard, Building 205, Los Angeles, CA 90073	68 (including 1 manager unit)	Building 205 Preservation, LP	\$23,000,000
Building 208	11301 Wilshire Boulevard, Building 208, Los Angeles, CA 90073	54 (including 1 manager unit)	Building 208 Preservation, LP	\$20,700,000

7. This Resolution sha	all take effect in	nmediately upon its passage and adoption.
PASSED AND ADOPTED this _	day of	, 2024, at Los Angeles, California.
I certify that the foregoing Resol, 2024.	ution was adop	sted by the Council of the City of Los Angeles at its meeting on
		By

# TEFRA PUBLIC HEARING MEETING MINUTES FRIDAY – JUNE 7, 2024 9:00 AM LOS ANGELES HOUSING DEPARTMENT BY TELECONFERENCE CONNY GRIFFITH, CHAIR

This meeting was conducted to meet the required Tax Equity and Fiscal Responsibility Act of 1982 ("TEFRA") Public Hearing for 803 E. 5th St., SP7 Apartments, Prisma, Oatsie's Place, Southside Senior Housing, Building 205, Building 208, West Third Apartment, Western Avenue Apartments, Broadway Apartments, and Colorado East.

This meeting was called to order on Friday, June 7, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. via teleconference by the Los Angeles Housing Department.

A notice of this hearing was published in various locations on the Los Angeles Housing Department website on May 31st, 2024 (the "Notice"). The purpose of this meeting was to hear public comments regarding the City of Los Angeles' proposed issuance of multifamily housing revenue bonds or notes for the above referenced projects.

The Los Angeles Housing Department representatives present were Conny Griffith, Arthur Mclin III, and Adam R. Miller. All representatives were present via teleconference as described in the Notice.

At 9:05, John, a member of the public attended the meeting to observe the Hearing's processes. John left after a short while after joining and by 9:30 a.m. there were no other representatives from the public who made themselves available and no public comments were provided, so the meeting was adjourned.

I declare under penalty of perjury that this is a true and exact copy of the TEFRA public hearing meeting minutes regarding the above referenced projects held on June 7, 2024 at Los Angeles, California.

CITY OF LOS ANGELES
Los Angeles Housing Department

ANN SEWILL, General Manager

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Conny Griffith, Finance Development Officer II

Knapp Ranch Park offers a wide range of programs and activities for youth, families and other visitors to the park. The facility has amenities such as a basketball court, tennis courts, ball fields and picnic areas.

Recently, safety concerns have been raised by the community regarding activities at the park and in the surrounding areas. In consultation with the Department of Recreation and Parks as well as the Los Angeles Police Department, a determination has been made that security cameras should be installed in the park.

I THEREFORE MOVE that \$38,871.74 be transferred from the Council District 12 North West Valley Project Mitigation Fund to the Department of Recreation and Parks Fund No. 302, Dept. No. 89 and APPR No. 89704H Deferred Maintenance to fund the purchase and installation of security cameras at Knapp Ranch Park.

I FURTHER MOVE that the Department of Recreation and Parks be authorized to make any technical corrections or clarification to the above fund transfer instructions in order to effectuate the intent of this motion.

PRESENTED BY

JOHN'S. LEE

Councilmember, 12<sup>th</sup> District

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On June 14, 2019, Council authorized the use of approximately \$1.8 million in tax-exempt CRA/LA Excess Non-Housing Bond Proceeds (EBP) available to Council District 14 (CD 14) from the Adelante Eastside Redevelopment Project Area to acquire real property located at 110 S. Boyle Avenue (Property) in the community of Boyle Heights (C.F. 14-0425-S8). The City's acquisition of the property served to facilitate the La Guadalupe project, a mixed-use development consisting of 44 units of permanent supportive housing and 7,500 square feet of commercial ground floor space (Project). The City, as the Property fee owner, entered into a Ground Lease with 110 South Boyle, L.P. (Housing Developer; Contract No. 139221), for development of the Project's housing component, and a Commercial Parcel Ground Lease with 110 South Boyle, LLC (Commercial Developer; Contract No. 139223), for the Project's commercial component. The Project is currently under construction and is expected to be completed in the summer of 2025.

The Commercial Developer has secured interest from two Latina-owned businesses to occupy the commercial space which has been designed and programmed to support these local small businesses. Xela's, which was forced to close post the pandemic, would be a full sit-down restaurant. In addition, Pink & Boujee, an existing business, will be relocating in early 2025. The retail component as a whole will create 24 new, Full Time Equivalent jobs.

The Commercial Developer is in need of supplemental funding to construct customized tenant improvements that support restaurant use. Approximately \$113,000 in EBP funding currently allocated between the Whittier Blvd Sidewalk Project (C.F. 14-1174-S4) and the First and Boyle Phase II Environmental Assessment Project (C.F. 14-1174-S33) in CD 14 and available for reprogramming. Council action is needed to reprogram those funds and allocate them to support construction of the Project's commercial component.

In accordance with policies adopted by Council (C.F. 14-1174) related to the CRA/LA Bond Expenditure Agreement and Bond Spending Plan, any proposal to expend EBP shall be initiated by Council Motion. Proposals will be reviewed by the CRA/LA Bond Oversight Committee; Trade, Travel, and Tourism Committee; and any other applicable committee with final recommendations presented to the Council and Mayor for final consideration and approval. The use of tax-exempt EBP toward a capital improvement project within the Adelante Eastside Redevelopment Project Area is identified as an eligible expense in the CRA/LA Bond Expenditure Agreement and Bond Spending Plan.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Council action of September 7, 2018, relative to appropriating Community Redevelopment Agency of Los Angeles Excess Non-Housing Bond Proceeds (EBP) for the Whittier Boulevard Sidewalk Project (C.F. 14-1174-S4) BE AMENDED to reduce the EBP allocation from \$1,500,000 to \$1,449,774.99, and revert \$50,225.01 to its original source.

I FURTHER MOVE that the Council action of March 28, 2018, relative to authorizing the Bureau of Engineering to utilize up to \$100,000 in taxable EBP available to CD 14 within the Adelante Eastside Project Area for the First and Boyle Phase II Environmental Site Assessment Project (C.F. 14-1174-S33) BE AMENDED to reduce the taxable EBP allocation from \$100,000 to \$36,860.18, and revert \$63,139.82 to its original source.

I FURTHER MOVE that the Economic and Workforce Development Department (EWDD), with the assistance of the City Administrative Officer, Chief Legislative Analyst, and any other applicable City department, provide a report with recommendations to the CRA/LA Bond Oversight Committee to allocate up to \$113,364.83 in tax-exempt EBP available to CD 14 from the Adelante Eastside Redevelopment Project Area for the La Guadalupe Commercial Improvement Project, a capital improvement project as identified in the CRA/LA Bond Expenditure Agreement and Bond Spending Plan.

I FURTHER MOVE that EWDD, as the administrator of the CRA/LA EBP Program, take all actions necessary to document and effectuate the changes in the budgets noted above, including preparing Controller instructions and/or technical adjustments that may be required and are consistent with this action, subject to the approval of the CAO, and authorize the Controller to implement these instructions.

PRESENTED BY:

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

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I MOVE that the Council action of April 19, 2017, relative to establishing a new account in the Council District 14 Public Benefits Trust Fund No, 57L-14 entitled "Council District 14 Affordable Housing" for supplementing and funding affordable housing within Council District 14 (C.F. 17-0378) BE AMENDED to expand the fund use description with "...including, but not limited to, affordable housing, homelessness prevention, and housing stabilization programs."

PRESENTED BY:

KEVIN DE LEÓN

Councilmember, 14th District

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Century City Chamber of Commerce has an ongoing street banner campaign that celebrates their 60th year anniversary and welcomes folks back to work/play/shop/dine in Century City. They have requested to extend the length of the campaign through the end of the year.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the City Council, in accordance with Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC) Section 62.132, approve the Street Banner Program identifying the Century City Chamber of Commerce as a City of Los Angeles Non-Event Street Banner Program for the period of June 2024 - December 2024

**FURTHER MOVE** that the City Council approve the content for the attached banner designs.

PRESENTED BY:

KATY YAROSLAVSK

Councilwoman, 5<sup>th</sup> District

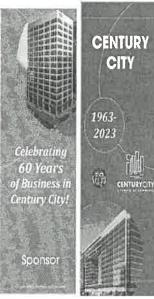




















On June 18, 2024, the Los Angeles City Council and the Mayor approved the Homeless Housing, Assistance, and Prevention Program (HHAP) Round 1 and 4 Funding Report (C.F. 22-1157). Funds were allocated to support interim housing, hygiene, outreach, and supportive services for people experiencing homelessness through the 2024-25 fiscal year. The funds for these programs are provided to the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA) through the Los Angeles Housing Department (LAHD). The current HHAP contract between LAHD and LAHSA is set to expire on June 30, 2024. As such, contract authority is needed to extend the contract term for LAHSA to carry out these programs.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the City Council instruct the General Manager of the Los Angeles Housing Department or their designee to amend the LAHSA HHAP contract (C-135650) to extend the contract term of C-135650 to June 30, 2025 with two one-year extension options.

PRESENTED BY:

NITHYA RAMAN

Councilmember, 4th District

SECONDED BY:

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On October 25, 2022, the City Council and Mayor approved the funding and authority for the hotel located at 7047 W. Franklin Avenue in Council District 4, also known as Highland Gardens, for an interim housing site (C.F. 22-0756-S2). This site provides 143 beds to single adults experiencing homelessness and currently counts to the Alliance Settlement bed obligation. The current service provider on site is People Assisting the Homeless (PATH), who directly holds the lease with the hotel owner. The City of Los Angeles, Department of General Services, Real Estate Division, will take over this lease for the remainder of this site's operational timeframe.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the City Council AUTHORIZE the General Services Department to enter into a new or amend an existing agreement with PATH for the operations of the interim housing site located at 7047 W. Franklin Avenue in Council District 4 through November 14, 2027.

PRESENTED BY:

NITHYA RAMAN

Councilmember, 4th District

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Building 208 Preservation, LP, a California limited partnership (Sponsor), previously requested that the City of Los Angeles (City) through the Los Angeles Housing Department (LAHD) issue Multifamily Housing Revenue Bonds, in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$20,700,000 to finance the new construction of the 54-unit multifamily housing development known as Building 208 (Project) located at 11301 Wilshire Boulevard in Council District 11. The Project will provide 53 units of affordable housing and one manager unit.

In accordance with the Tax Equity and Fiscal Responsibility Act of 1982 (TEFRA) and as part of the bond "reissuance" process, LAHD conducted the required public hearing on June 7, 2024. Notice of the public hearing was published on May 31, 2024. The Sponsor has pledged to comply with all City and LAHD bond policies related to the work described herein, including but not limited to payment of prevailing wages for labor and project monitoring with the LAHD.

The Sponsor has requested the City to approve certain modifications to the bond documents to increase the permanent loan amount of the Bonds which amendments will cause the Bonds to be "reissued" under the Code.

The City is a conduit issuer and is required by federal law to review and approve all projects within its jurisdiction and conduct a public hearing. The bond debt is payable solely from revenues or other funds provided by the Sponsor. The City does not incur liability for repayment of the bonds. To allow the bonds to be reissued in accordance with federal requirements, the Council should approve the minutes of the hearing and adopt the required Resolution (attached).

I THEREFORE MOVE that the City Council consider the attached results of the TEFRA public hearing held on June 7, 2024 for Building 208 and adopt the attached TEFRA Resolution and Minutes to approve the reissuance of bonds in an amount not to exceed \$20,700,000 for the new construction of a 54-unit multifamily housing development located at 11301 Wilshire Boulevard in Council District 11.

PRESENTED BY:

TRACI PARK

Councilmember, 11th District

SECONDED BY:

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#### RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION APPROVING FOR PURPOSES OF SECTION 147(f) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986 THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS OR NOTES BY THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES TO FINANCE THE ACQUISITION, REHABILITATION, CONSTRUCTION AND/OR EQUIPPING OF MULTIFAMILY RESIDENTIAL RENTAL PROJECTS LOCATED WITHIN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES.

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WHEREAS, the City intends to issue or reissue for federal income tax purposes certain bonds or notes (the "Bonds") the proceeds of which will be used to finance the acquisition, construction, rehabilitation and equipping of the multifamily rental housing projects described in paragraph 6 hereof (the "Projects"); and

WHEREAS, the Projects are located within the County of Los Angeles (the "County") but not within the City; and

WHEREAS, the County has previously consented to the City's issuance of the Bonds to finance the Projects pursuant to an agreement authorized by the Act; and

WHEREAS, it is in the public interest and for the public benefit that the City authorize the financing of the Projects, and it is within the powers of the City as conveyed by the County under the Act to provide for such financing and the issuance or reissuance of the Bonds; and

WHEREAS, the interest on the Bonds may qualify for a federal tax exemption under Section 142(a)(7) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (the "Code"), only if the Bonds are approved in accordance with Section 147(f) of the Code; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Code, Bonds are required to be approved, following a public hearing, by an elected representative of the issuer of the Bonds (or of the governmental unit on behalf of which the Bonds are issued) and an elected representative of the governmental unit having jurisdiction over the area in which the relevant Project is located; and

WHEREAS, this City Council is the elected legislative body of the City and is the applicable elected representative required to approve the issuance or reissuance of the Bonds on behalf of the issuer of the Bonds within the meaning of Section 147(f) of the Code; and

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WHEREAS, the Los Angeles Housing Department held said public hearing on such date, at which time an opportunity was provided to present arguments both for and against the issuance or reissuance of the Bonds; and

WHEREAS, the minutes of said hearing have been presented to this City Council;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Los Angeles, as follows:

- 1. The recitals hereinabove set forth are true and correct, and this City Council so finds. This Resolution is being adopted pursuant to the Law and the Act.
- 2. Pursuant to and solely for purposes of Section 147(f) of the Code, the City Council hereby approves the issuance or reissuance of the Bonds by the City in one or more series up to the maximum amounts specified in paragraph 6 below and a like amount of refunding bonds, pursuant to a plan of financing, to finance or refinance the Projects. It is intended that this Resolution constitute approval of the Bonds by the applicable elected representative of the issuer of the Bonds in accordance with said Section 147(f).
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  - 5. [Reserved].
  - 6. The "Projects" referred to hereof is as follows:

Project Name:	Address	#Units:	Project Sponsor	Maximum Amount:
Building 205	11301 Wilshire Boulevard, Building 205, Los Angeles, CA 90073	68 (including 1 manager unit)	Building 205 Preservation, LP	\$23,000,000
Building 208	11301 Wilshire Boulevard, Building 208, Los Angeles, CA 90073	54 (including I manager unit)	Building 208 Preservation, LP	\$20,700,000

	7. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its passage and adoption.
	PASSED AND ADOPTED this day of, 2024, at Los Angeles, California.
w 4-wi	I certify that the foregoing Resolution was adopted by the Council of the City of Los Angeles at its meeting on, 2024.
	By Title

# TEFRA PUBLIC HEARING MEETING MINUTES **FRIDAY – JUNE 7, 2024** 9:00 AM LOS ANGELES HOUSING DEPARTMENT BY TELECONFERENCE CONNY GRIFFITH, CHAIR

This meeting was conducted to meet the required Tax Equity and Fiscal Responsibility Act of 1982 ("TEFRA") Public Hearing for 803 E. 5th St., SP7 Apartments, Prisma, Oatsie's Place, Southside Senior Housing, Building 205, Building 208, West Third Apartment, Western Avenue Apartments, Broadway Apartments, and Colorado East.

This meeting was called to order on Friday, June 7, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. via teleconference by the Los Angeles Housing Department.

A notice of this hearing was published in various locations on the Los Angeles Housing Department website on May 31st, 2024 (the "Notice"). The purpose of this meeting was to hear public comments regarding the City of Los Angeles' proposed issuance of multifamily housing revenue bonds or notes for the above referenced projects.

The Los Angeles Housing Department representatives present were Conny Griffith, Arthur Mclin III, and Adam R. Miller. All representatives were present via teleconference as described in the Notice

At 9:05, John, a member of the public attended the meeting to observe the Hearing's processes. John left after a short while after joining and by 9:30 a.m. there were no other representatives from the public who made themselves available and no public comments were provided, so the meeting was adjourned.

I declare under penalty of perjury that this is a true and exact copy of the TEFRA public hearing meeting minutes regarding the above referenced projects held on June 7, 2024 at Los Angeles, California.

CITY OF LOS ANGELES Los Angeles Housing Department ANN SEWILL, General Manager

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Conny Griffith, Finance Development Officer II

Dr. "Sweet" Alice Harris is a prominent community activist in Los Angeles. Mrs. Alice Harris has dedicated her life to mentoring youth and providing assistance to people who are disadvantaged or underserved. She is the Executive Director and founder of the Parents of Watts Working with Youth's and Adults Inc., a social services organization that she started out of her home in the mid-1960s as a way to alleviate tensions in her culturally diverse neighborhood of Watts after the 1965 riots.

Affectionately known as Sweet Alice, she is known worldwide for her generosity and empathy. She is a highly regarded neighborhood advocate who works closely with elected officials and often serves as a liaison between parents and their children's schools. Throughout her ninety years of life, she has tirelessly dedicated herself to uplifting and empowering the residents of Watts as well as anyone who walks through her doors. Furthermore, she has been a vocal proponent of education, encouraging young people to pursue academic excellence and strive for a brighter future.

Her unwavering commitment to social change and her passion for empowering others have earned her widespread admiration and respect. Today, Dr. Sweet Alice Harris continues to be a formidable force for positive change and her legacy serves as a testament to the transformative power of community activism and grassroots initiatives. Harris' impact extends far beyond the boundaries of Watts; she has inspired countless individuals and organizations to make a difference in their communities. Through working with youth and adults for over the last 50 years, Sweet Alice will continue to leave an indelible mark on Watts.

I THEREFORE MOVE that Lou Dillon Ave, from Santa Ana Blvd N to E 107th Street, in Watts be designated as "Dr. "Sweet" Alice Row", and that the Department of Transportation be directed to erect permanent sign(s) to this effect at this location.

PRESENTED BY:

TIM McOSKER

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Councilmember, 15th District

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The 2024-25 Adopted Budget includes \$2,125,000 in the Unappropriated Balance for a Wildland Fuel Management Paid Hand Crew Program in the Fire Department (LAFD). This program has been in the works for the last two fiscal years, and will increase the LAFD's ability to respond to wildfires in the wildland-urban interface. The LAFD reports that its new Wildland Hand Crew Technician Position has been created, and the Department is now ready to begin hiring for the position. Funding from the Unappropriated Balance should be transferred to the Department's budget for this purpose.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the City Clerk be directed to place on the Council Agenda for July 1, 2024, or soon thereafter as possible the following recommendations for adoption:

That the Council, subject to the approval of the Mayor:

1. AUTHORIZE the transfer of funds in the amount of \$1,274,222 from the Unappropriated Balance, Fund No. 100-58, Account No TBD (Wildland Fuel Management Paid Hand Crew Program) to the Fire Department Fund No. 100-38, Account Numbers as follows:

Account No	Name	<u>Amount</u>
001010	Salaries General	\$959,887
001012	Salaries Sworn	\$314,335
	TOTAL	\$1,274,222

2. AUTHORIZE the following resolution authorities within the Fire Department, subject to allocation by the Personnel Department and paygrade determination by the City Administrative Officer:

No.	Class Code	Class Title
1	2142-1	Fire Captain I
2	2112-3	Firefighter III
26	2105	Wildland Hand Crew Technician

3. AUTHORIZE the Fire Department and City Administrative Officer 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 to fund or account numbers; said corrections / clarifications / changes may be made orally, electronically, or by any other means.

PRESENTED BY:

TIM McOSKER

Councilmember, 15th District

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# **BUDGET & FINANCE**

As the host of the 2028 Olympic games in Los Angeles, our Mayor will be attending the upcoming 2024 Olympic games to participate in the formal ceremony whereby the Olympics flags are given to our City.

Action is needed to authorize the Mayor to display these flags for the 2028 Olympic Games on the third floor of City Hall in the hallway immediately adjacent to the Mayor's offices and / or in the Tom Bradley Room of City Hall, with an additional set of flags to be displayed in the John Ferraro Council Chambers, as well as to authorize the relocation of the existing objects on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor - gifts to the City - to make room for the flag display.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Mayor be authorized to display the official flag(s) for the 2028 Olympic Games on the third floor of City Hall in the hallway immediately adjacent to the Mayor's offices and / or in the Tom Bradley Room of City Hall, with an additional set of flags to be displayed in the John Ferraro Council Chambers.

I FURTHER MOVE that the Department of General Services (GSD) with the assistance of the City Tourism Department, and in consultation with appropriate conservation experts to be provided by the Cultural Affairs Department, be directed to cause the transfer / move of the existing objects - gifts to the City - currently located in front of the Mayor's office suite, to the Los Angeles Convention Center for appropriate display to visitors at the Convention Center.

I FURTHER MOVE that \$500,000 be transferred / appropriated from the Capital Technology Improvement Expenditure Program Fund No. 100-50, Account No. TBD (City Hall Public Space Repairs and Improvements) to the below listed Accounts in the amounts specified to facilitate the movement of the exiting objects – gifts to the City - currently located on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor of City Hall:

Fund No.	Account No.	<u>Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
100-40	001014	Salaries, Construction	\$50,000
100-40	003180	Construction Materials	\$200,000
869-40	400392	GSD, Project Restore	\$250,000
		135	
		TOTAL	\$500,000

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

PRESENTED BY

PAUL KREKORIAN Councilmember, 2<sup>nd</sup> District

Councilmember, 11<sup>th</sup> District

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On June 19, 2024, the Weingart Center unveiled the City's largest housing project built to serve individuals facing homelessness. The Weingart Tower is a 19-story permanent supportive housing project with 278 units in Skid Row. The building serves the community of Skid Row by means of infrastructure that includes outdoor balconies, a gym, an art and music room, and a cafe. All bedrooms are furnished and caseworkers will be working onsite.

The Weingart Center, and this specific project, aim to serve individuals experiencing homelessness by providing the tools necessary to stabilize their life, secure income, and find permanent housing. These tools include supportive housing opportunities, employment and educational support, mental health and medical services, and offering multiple reentry programs.

The Weingart Tower received funding from the California Department of Housing and Community Development, the No Place Like Home Program, the City of Los Angeles Proposition HHH Program, low income housing tax credit equity from the Richman Group, a Federal Home Loan Bank Affordable Housing Program Loan, and a permanent loan from the Banc of California.

As the property is leased up, additional funds are necessary to mitigate unforeseen project costs. These costs are due to circumstances beyond Weingart's control that are related to an increase in insurance fees. As a result of natural disasters in the last year, permanent insurance costs have surged by 300 percent. The pervasive impact of overall inflationary pressures and increases in insurance rates have significantly strained the Weingart Center's budget and ability to finish out this transformative project. For these reasons, the Weingart Center is seeking \$500,000 to cover the unanticipated costs.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the City Council INSTRUCT the Los Angeles Housing Department to identify \$500,000 to address the funding shortfall related to insurance costs for the Weingart Tower 1A located at  $555-561\,$  S. Crocker Street, from sources including, but not limited to, Proposition HHH, United to House LA, and the Affordable Housing Managed Pipeline, and report to Council within 30 days with its findings.

PRESENTED BY

KEVIN DE LEÓN

Councilmember, 14th District

SECONDED BY:



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# NEIGHBORHOOD & COMMUNITY ENRICHMENT

#### MOTION

The Sixth Street Viaduct is a new \$588 million multi-modal bridge in Los Angeles. As part of the project, the Sixth Street Park, Arts, & River Connectivity Project (PARC) will be constructed underneath it. The PARC spans 12 acres and is divided in two sections by the Los Angeles River and railroad tracks. On the west side in the Arts District, it will have a cafe, an Arts Plaza, a dog park, and open space. On the east side in Boyle Heights, it will have a skate park, dog park, multiple soccer fields, a basketball court, playground, and fitness zone.

One of the major concerns that has been communicated by stakeholders, particularly in Boyle Heights, is that they have ample access to the PARC and that, even though it will be regionally recognized, it is maintained as a park for the local community. Conducting a robust community outreach and engagement process to solicit feedback from constituents as to how they want the PARC to be managed and operated will allow the city to better understand community concerns and develop a programming strategy that is inclusive and rooted in the needs of the community. The city should begin this outreach process now in order to ensure that when the PARC opens there is a programming strategy ready from the day the PARC opens that prioritizes local concerns and needs and is financially self sustaining

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Department of Recreation and Parks, in coordination with the Department of Cultural Affairs and Bureau of Engineering, report back in 60 days with potential management structures for the successful operation and maintenance of the new Sixth Street PARC.

I FURTHER MOVE that this report investigates the feasibility of creating a Community Advisory Committee, made up of local stakeholders, and an outreach strategy to help inform the programming and use of the facility.

I FURTHER MOVE that this report should look at how the PARC can be financially and programmatically self-sustaining through private donations and PARC permitting revenue.

PRESENTED BY:

KEVIN DE LEÓN

Councilmember, 14th District





The City has been in the forefront of enacting policies to streamline the production of housing given the ongoing housing affordability crisis facing not just the Southern California region, but the nation. These policy efforts allow projects to undergo a ministerial approval process that exempts project applicants from discretionary reviews, public hearings, appeals, and the California Environmental Quality Act, in contrast to the traditional project review and land use/zoning provisions outlined in the Municipal Code.

As the Council deliberates any forthcoming proposed ordinance(s) to streamline affordable housing projects, it is of utmost importance and in the interest of public policy that the City ensure that any streamlined affordable housing development project does not have a detrimental impact on the number of properties subject to the City's Rent Stabilization Ordinance (RSO).

In a report dated November 28, 2023, the Planning Commission recommends approval of a proposed ordinance (Council File No. 23-0623-S1) to amend the Municipal Code, to establish procedures and performance standards for administrative approval of one hundred percent affordable housing projects. The proposed ordinance is anticipated to reduce the need for affordable housing projects to request discretionary land use planning entitlements, and thereby streamline their approval to address the City's housing crisis.

It is of the utmost importance, however, that properties subject to the RSO are not adversely impacted by reducing the number of these units, because RSO units provide stability for neighborhoods as they provide a safeguard for tenants from rent hikes that may be cost-prohibitive, especially to senior citizens and those who are financially burdened. In Council District 11 alone, Housing Department data indicates that there are 50,380 RSO units.

The Planning Department must ensure that any streamlined one hundred percent affordable housing project is not out of scale, and foremost, that it does not have a detrimental impact on the number of RSO units.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Council instruct the Planning Department, with the assistance of the Department of Building and Safety, Housing Department, and in consultation with the City Attorney, to prepare and present an Interim Control Ordinance (ICO) within the geographic boundaries bounded by Centinela to the west, Wilshire to the north, the 405 freeway to the east, and the 10 freeway to the south, that prohibits the issuance of approvals and permits associated with any demolition, building, use of land, grading, and other applicable permits for 100 percent affordable housing projects proposed on sites that are subject to the Rent Stabilization Ordinance containing five or more occupied residential dwelling units.

I FURTHER MOVE that the ICO include an Urgency Clause, making it effective upon publication, and consistent with California Government Code §65858, the ICO shall run for 45 days, with a 10-month and 15 day extension by Council Resolution, and can be further extended for an additional Lyear, or until the adoption of the appropriate land use regulatory controls have been prepared by the Planning Department, adopted by the Council and become effective, whichever occurs first.

PRESENTED BY:

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# **JULES, ELECTIONS, INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS**

#### 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 government body or agency must have first been adopted in the form of a Resolution by the City Council; and

WHEREAS, research shows that living within half a mile of an oil well increases the risk of asthma, high-risk pregnancies, respiratory illnesses, and cancer; and

WHEREAS, today, nearly three million Californians are exposed to the most toxic emissions, and communities of color are disproportionately harmed the most by neighborhood drilling; and

WHEREAS, in 2022 Governor Newsom signed into law Senate Bill 1137 (Gonzalez, Chapter 365, Statutes of 2022) to initiate health and safety setback regulations, which prohibit new or modified oil and gas wells within 3,200 feet of homes, schools, daycare centers, parks, healthcare facilities, and businesses; and

WHEREAS, oil and corporate interests financed the, 2024 California Oil and Gas Well Regulations Referendum, a \$20 million petition campaign to block immediate implementation of the law by placing a referendum to overturn SB 1137 on the California General Election November 2024 ballot; and

WHEREAS, a broad coalition of public health leaders, environmental justice groups, community and faith leaders, and youth have established the *Campaign for a Safe and Healthy California* to oppose this ballot initiative and stand up to Big Oil, making sure that no Californians have to endure health hazards from living near dangerous oil wells; and

WHEREAS, the City of Los Angeles has prioritized protecting our communities from oil drilling by enacting an ordinance in December 2022 that prohibits the drilling of any new oil wells and that declares all existing oil wells as legally nonconforming uses, thereby initiating a process to shut down all oil drilling in Los Angeles.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that by the adoption of this Resolution, the City of Los Angeles hereby includes in its 2023-2024 State Legislative Program OPPOSITION to any ballot initiative that would seek to overturn the 2022 adopted SB 1137 law; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that by the adoption of this Resolution, the City of Los Angeles supports the Campaign for a Safe and Healthy California.

PRESENTED BY:

KATY YAROSLAVSKY Councilwoman, 5th District



# NEIGHBORHOOD & COMMUNITY ENRICHMENT

Biddy Mason, a woman born into slavery in 1818 in Georgia, overcame immense adversity to become a pioneering figure in Los Angeles. After being brought by her enslaver to California, a free state, she bravely petitioned the court for her freedom and that of her children in 1856, successfully securing their liberty. This monumental achievement marked the beginning of her extraordinary journey as a free woman in Los Angeles. Biddy Mason's life and legacy have been largely overlooked in our city's history, yet her impact on the development and community of Los Angeles is profound and enduring.

Upon gaining her freedom, Mason settled in what is now Downtown Los Angeles on Spring Street and worked as a nurse and midwife. Through hard work, determination, and financial prudence, she saved her earnings and invested in real estate, becoming one of the first African American women to own property in the city. Her wise investments made her one of the wealthiest women in Los Angeles, a remarkable feat considering her humble beginnings.

Mason's influence extended far beyond her financial success. She was a tireless philanthropist who used her resources to support the Los Angeles community. She co-founded the First African Methodist Episcopal Church in Los Angeles, which remains a cornerstone of the African American community to this day. Mason also provided aid to the poor, established schools, and supported various charitable causes, demonstrating her deep commitment to the welfare of Angelenos.

Biddy Mason is regarded as a major founder of the City of Los Angeles despite not holding prominent recognition in any of our city's public spaces. Mason made Los Angeles her home on Spring Street between 3rd and 4th Streets, just blocks away from what is now Pershing Square, a park she would have visited in her lifetime. Ironically, this park is named after a World War I military leader, General John J. Pershing, who never stepped foot in Los Angeles.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Board of Recreation and Parks Commissioners be requested to rename Pershing Square, located at 532 South Olive Street, 90013, to Biddy Mason Park, in memory of Biddy Mason and in recognition of her remarkable journey from slavery to becoming one of Los Angeles' founders.

PRESENTED BY:

KEVIN DE LEÓN

Councilmember, 14th District

# RESOLUTION RULES, ELECTIONS INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

WHEREAS, any official position of the City of Los Angeles (City) with respect to legislation, rules, regulations, or policies 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; and

WHEREAS, the average cost of residential water increased 45% from 2007 to 2015, and has continued to rise since then above the rate of inflation generally; and

WHEREAS, in 2015, California adopted Assembly Bill 401 (Dodd, Chapter 662 of Statutes of 2015) that required the State Water Resources Control Board to develop a plan, informed by the public and the State Board of Equalization, for a statewide low-income rate assistance for water, and in a February 2020 report entitled *Recommendations for Implementation of a Statewide Low-Income Water Assistance Program*, concluded that it would take over \$140 million annually to create such an assistance program; and

WHEREAS, Senator Durazo has introduced legislation that requires water and sewer systems serving 3,300 or more connections to establish a low-income rate assistance program funded by voluntary contributions paid by higher income households; and

WHEREAS, Senate Bill 1255 (Durazo) amends current law for public water systems to perform a need analysis on introducing a water rate assistance program to collect the necessary funds to provide a 20% bill credit for low-income households served by community water systems with fewer than 3,300 service connections and that meet a specified affordability threshold to be implemented on or before July 1, 2026 and every three years thereafter; and

WHEREAS, SB 1255, would require water and sewer systems serving 3,300 or more connections to begin providing water rate assistance to eligible ratepayers, as defined with an annual household income no greater than 200% of the federal poverty guidelines as of April 1, 2027, and to automatically enroll any eligible ratepayer in the assistance program if available information indicates they are qualified to receive assistance for a water bill credit; and

WHEREAS, this bill would require a qualified system on or before July 1, 2026 to provide an opportunity for each ratepayer to provide a voluntary contribution as part of the ratepayer's water bill to provide the funding for a water rate assistance program, and allow each system to recommend a voluntary contribution amount on each ratepayer's water bill, as well as require the State Water Board to identify the cost of addressing affordability in systems smaller than 3,300 connections; and

WHEREAS, in 2023 the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power was forced to terminate its low-income assistance program creating a need for it to explore other alternatives to provide ratepayer assistance; and

WHEREAS, the City of Los Angeles has long been supportive of programs to aid low-income households that are struggling to pay for water and sewer service.



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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that by the adoption of this Resolution, the City of Los Angeles hereby includes in its 2023-2024 State Legislative Program SUPPORT for SB 1255 (Durazo) which would require water suppliers with over 3,300 connections to provide low-income ratepayer assistance to eligible ratepayers, through a voluntary ratepayer contribution fund.

PRESENTED BY:

KATY YAROSLAVSKY

Councilwoman, 5th District

Biddy Mason, born into slavery in 1818 in Georgia, overcame immense adversity to become a pioneering and transformative figure in Los Angeles. After being brought by her enslaver to California, a free state, she bravely petitioned the court for her freedom and that of her children in 1856, successfully securing their liberty. This monumental achievement marked the beginning of her extraordinary journey as a free woman in Los Angeles. Despite her remarkable contributions, Biddy Mason's life and legacy have been largely overlooked in our city's history.

Upon gaining her freedom, Mason settled on Spring Street in what is now Downtown Los Angeles, establishing her homestead at 333 Spring Street. Here, she worked as a nurse and midwife, providing essential care to the community. Through her hard work, determination, and financial prudence, she saved her earnings and invested in real estate, becoming one of the first African American women to own property in Los Angeles. Her wise investments made her one of the wealthiest women in the city, a remarkable feat considering her humble beginnings.

It is incumbent that the City of Los Angeles ensure that Biddy Mason's legacy is celebrated and remembered by all who traverse this central artery of our city, particularly since her resilience, generosity, and entrepreneurial spirit helped shape the foundations of Los Angeles.

I THEREFORE MOVE that Spring Street from East Cesar E. Chavez Avenue to 9th Streets in Downtown Los Angeles be designated as "Biddy Mason Way", and that the Department of Transportation be instructed to erect permanent ceremonial signage to this effect at these locations.

PRESENTED BY:

KEVIN DE LEÓN

Councilmember, 14th District

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