

Los Angeles City Council, **Journal/Council Proceedings**  
Wednesday, **January 10, 2007**  
John Ferraro Council Chamber, Room 340, City Hall - 10 am

(For further details see Official Council Files)

**(For communications referred by the President see Referral Memorandum)**

**ROLL CALL - Members present: Cardenas, Greuel, Hahn, Parks, Perry, Rosendahl, Smith, Weiss, Wesson and President Garcetti (10); Absent: Huizar, LaBonge, Reyes and Zine (4). Council District Seven Vacant.**

APPROVAL OF THE RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNCIL MEETING OF  
DECEMBER 20, 2006

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PUBLIC TESTIMONY ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS AT THE CALL OF THE CHAIR -  
An opportunity for public testimony was provided.

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ROLL CALL NUMBER (#) - INDICATES THE ORDER IN WHICH THE ITEMS WERE ACTED  
UPON DURING THE COUNCIL MEETING

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## **Items Noticed for Public Hearing - Items 1-16**

**Roll Call #5 - Motion (Greuel - Weiss) Adopted, Ayes (12); Absent: Huizar and Zine (2)  
(Item Nos. 1-9)**

### **ITEM NO. (1) - ADOPTED - TO THE MAYOR FORTHWITH**

[06-1379](#)

CD 13 PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT OF BALLOT TABULATION and ORDINANCE FIRST CONSIDERATION relative to establishment of the East Hollywood Property and Business Improvement District (BID), pursuant to Section 53753 of the California Government Code, Section 36600 et seq. of the California Streets and Highways Code and Article XIII D of the California Constitution.

Recommendations for Council action, if the tabulation of ballots indicates majority support, SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR:

1. PRESENT and ADOPT the accompanying ORDINANCE establishing the East Hollywood Property and BID and confirming the assessments to be levied upon properties within the BID, as described in the Management District Plan.
2. AUTHORIZE the City Clerk, subject to approval of the City Attorney, to prepare, execute and administer an operating agreement between the City and a nonprofit management entity, for administration of the BID.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The City Clerk reports that direct costs associated with Department administrative expenses will be charged to the BID and will be recovered from assessments collected. There are currently six City-owned, General Fund real properties included in the list of properties to be assessed within the boundaries of the BID, as disclosed in the Management District Plan and as required under existing state BID legislation. Funding is available in the Business Improvement District Trust Fund 659 to pay the General Fund share of assessments for the first operating year.

(Pursuant to Council action on Tuesday, January 9, 2007 and adoption of Ordinance No. 178030 on November 1, 2006.)

**ITEM NO. (2) - PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED - ADOPTED**

06-2019

CD 2 CONTINUED CONSIDERATION OF HEARING PROTESTS and ORDINANCE FIRST CONSIDERATION relative to the improvement and maintenance of DAY STREET AND PALI AVENUE LIGHTING DISTRICT.

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

1. DENY the protests and confirm the assessments.
2. PRESENT and ADOPT the accompanying ORDINANCE levying the assessments and ordering the maintenance of the above lighting district, in accordance with Sections 6.95-6.127 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code and Government Code Section 53753 (Proposition 218).

(Public Hearing held December 19, 2006)

**ITEM NO. (3) - PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED - ADOPTED**

06-2045

CD 5 CONTINUED CONSIDERATION OF HEARING PROTESTS and ORDINANCE FIRST CONSIDERATION relative to the improvement and maintenance of BELLAIRE AVENUE AND MAGNOLIA BOULEVARD LIGHTING DISTRICT.

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

1. DENY the protests and confirm the assessments.
2. PRESENT and ADOPT the accompanying ORDINANCE levying the assessments and ordering the maintenance of the above lighting district, in accordance with Sections 6.95-6.127 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code and Government Code Section 53753 (Proposition 218).

(Public Hearing held December 19, 2006)

**ITEM NO. (4) - PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED - ADOPTED**

06-2074

CD 6 CONTINUED CONSIDERATION OF HEARING PROTESTS and ORDINANCE FIRST CONSIDERATION relative to the improvement and maintenance of LAUREL CANYON BOULEVARD AND HART STREET LIGHTING DISTRICT.

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

1. DENY the protests and confirm the assessments.
2. PRESENT and ADOPT the accompanying ORDINANCE levying the assessments and ordering the maintenance of the above lighting district, in accordance with Sections 6.95-6.127 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code and Government Code Section 53753 (Proposition 218).

(Public Hearing held December 19, 2006)

**ITEM NO. (5) - PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED - ADOPTED**

06-2075

CD 1 CONTINUED CONSIDERATION OF HEARING PROTESTS and ORDINANCE FIRST CONSIDERATION relative to the improvement and maintenance of ECHO STREET AND HAYES AVENUE LIGHTING DISTRICT.

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

1. DENY the protests and confirm the assessments.
2. PRESENT and ADOPT the accompanying ORDINANCE levying the assessments and ordering the maintenance of the above lighting district, in accordance with Sections 6.95-6.127 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code and Government Code Section 53753 (Proposition 218).

(Public Hearing held December 19, 2006)

**ITEM NO. (6) - PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED - ADOPTED**

06-2076

CD 7 CONTINUED CONSIDERATION OF HEARING PROTESTS and ORDINANCE FIRST CONSIDERATION relative to the improvement and maintenance of MONTAGUE STREET AND BRADLEY AVENUE LIGHTING DISTRICT.

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

1. DENY the protests and confirm the assessments.

2. PRESENT and ADOPT the accompanying ORDINANCE levying the assessments and ordering the maintenance of the above lighting district, in accordance with Sections 6.95-6.127 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code and Government Code Section 53753 (Proposition 218).

(Public Hearing held December 19, 2006)

**ITEM NO. (7) - PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED - ADOPTED**

06-0073

CD 7 CONTINUED CONSIDERATION OF HEARING PROTESTS and ORDINANCE FIRST CONSIDERATION relative to the improvement and maintenance of TELFAIR AND LAKESIDE AVENUES (REBALLOT) LIGHTING DISTRICT.

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

1. FIND that a majority protest exists in the Street Lighting Maintenance Assessment District and therefore the assessment cannot be enacted.
2. PRESENT and ADOPT the accompanying ORDINANCE abandoning all proceedings relating to the above lighting district, in accordance with Sections 6.95-6.127 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code and Government Code Section 53753 (Proposition 218).
3. INSTRUCT the Director, Bureau of Street Lighting, to assure that the streetlights are not installed or are removed from service if previously installed.

(Public Hearing held December 19, 2006)

**ITEM NO. (8) - PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED - ADOPTED**

06-2044

CD 4 CONTINUED CONSIDERATION OF HEARING PROTESTS and ORDINANCE FIRST CONSIDERATION relative to the improvement and maintenance of REGAL PLACE AND CAHUENGA BOULEVARD LIGHTING DISTRICT.

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

1. FIND that a majority protest exists in the Street Lighting Maintenance Assessment District and therefore the assessment cannot be enacted.
2. PRESENT and ADOPT the accompanying ORDINANCE abandoning all proceedings relating to the above lighting district, in accordance with Sections 6.95-6.127 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code and Government Code Section 53753 (Proposition 218).
3. INSTRUCT the Director, Bureau of Street Lighting, to assure that the streetlights are not installed or are removed from service if previously installed.

(Public Hearing held December 19, 2006)

**ITEM NO. (9) - PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED - ADOPTED**

06-2073

CD 11 CONTINUED CONSIDERATION OF HEARING PROTESTS and ORDINANCE FIRST CONSIDERATION relative to the improvement and maintenance of BROCKTON AND IDAHO AVENUES LIGHTING DISTRICT.

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

1. FIND that a majority protest exists in the Street Lighting Maintenance Assessment District and therefore the assessment cannot be enacted.
2. PRESENT and ADOPT the accompanying ORDINANCE abandoning all proceedings relating to the above lighting district, in accordance with Sections 6.95-6.127 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code and Government Code Section 53753 (Proposition 218).
3. INSTRUCT the Director, Bureau of Street Lighting, to assure that the streetlights are not installed or are removed from service if previously installed.

(Public Hearing held December 19, 2006)

**Roll Call #1 - Motion (Weiss - Rosendahl) Adopted to Continue, Unanimous Vote (10); Absent: Huizar, LaBonge, Reyes and Zine (4)  
(Item Nos. 10-15)**

**ITEM NO. (10) - CONTINUED TO JANUARY 31, 2007**

06-2246

CD 5 HEARING PROTESTS against the proposed improvement and maintenance of the HESPERIA AVENUE AND SANTA RITA STREET LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Recommendation for Council action:

HEAR PROTESTS against the proposed improvement and maintenance of Hesperia Avenue and Santa Rita Street Lighting District, in accordance with Sections 6.95-6.127 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code and Proposition 218.

(Ordinance of Intention adopted on October 24, 2006 - Continue hearing and present Ordinance on JANUARY 31, 2007 to consider report of protests to be submitted as a result of balloting, pursuant to Proposition 218)

**ITEM NO. (11) - CONTINUED TO JANUARY 31, 2007**

06-2248

CD 14 HEARING PROTESTS against the proposed improvement and maintenance of the HEWITT AND MOLINO STREETS LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Recommendation for Council action:

HEAR PROTESTS against the proposed improvement and maintenance of Hewitt and Molino Streets Lighting District, in accordance with Sections 6.95-6.127 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code and Proposition 218.

(Ordinance of Intention adopted on October 24, 2006 - Continue hearing and present Ordinance on JANUARY 31, 2007 to consider report of protests to be submitted as a result of balloting, pursuant to Proposition 218)

**ITEM NO. (12) - CONTINUED TO JANUARY 31, 2007**

[06-2249](#)

CD 5 HEARING PROTESTS against the proposed improvement and maintenance of the MAGNOLIA BOULEVARD AND CORTEEN PLACE LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Recommendation for Council action:

HEAR PROTESTS against the proposed improvement and maintenance of Magnolia Boulevard and Corteen Place Lighting District, in accordance with Sections 6.95-6.127 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code and Proposition 218.

(Ordinance of Intention adopted on October 27, 2006 - Continue hearing and present Ordinance on JANUARY 31, 2007 to consider report of protests to be submitted as a result of balloting, pursuant to Proposition 218)

**ITEM NO. (13) - CONTINUED TO JANUARY 31, 2007**

[06-2250](#)

CD 1 HEARING PROTESTS against the proposed improvement and maintenance of the SAN FERNANDO ROAD AND MEDIA CENTER DRIVE LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Recommendation for Council action:

HEAR PROTESTS against the proposed improvement and maintenance of San Fernando Road and Media Center Drive Lighting District, in accordance with Sections 6.95-6.127 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code and Proposition 218.

(Ordinance of Intention adopted on October 24, 2006 - Continue hearing and present Ordinance on JANUARY 31, 2007 to consider report of protests to be submitted as a result of balloting, pursuant to Proposition 218)

**ITEM NO. (14) - CONTINUED TO JANUARY 31, 2007**

[06-2251](#)

CD 3 HEARING PROTESTS against the proposed improvement and maintenance of the KESWICK STREET AND ETIWANDA AVENUE LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Recommendation for Council action:

HEAR PROTESTS against the proposed improvement and maintenance of Keswick Street and Etiwanda Avenue Lighting District, in accordance with Sections 6.95-6.127 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code and Proposition 218.

(Ordinance of Intention adopted on October 24, 2006 - Continue hearing and present Ordinance on JANUARY 31, 2007 to consider report of protests to be submitted as a result of balloting, pursuant to Proposition 218)

**ITEM NO. (15) - CONTINUED TO JANUARY 31, 2007**

06-2253

CD 12 HEARING PROTESTS against the proposed improvement and maintenance of the BALBOA BOULEVARD AND SUPERIOR STREET LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Recommendation for Council action:

HEAR PROTESTS against the proposed improvement and maintenance of Balboa Boulevard and Superior Street Lighting District, in accordance with Sections 6.95-6.127 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code and Proposition 218.

(Ordinance of Intention adopted on October 24, 2006 - Continue hearing and present Ordinance on JANUARY 31, 2007 to consider report of protests to be submitted as a result of balloting, pursuant to Proposition 218)

**ITEM NO. (16) - CONTINUED TO FEBRUARY 9, 2007**

**Roll Call #6 - Motion (LaBonge - Cardenas) Adopted to Continue, Unanimous Vote (12); Absent: Huizar and Zine (2)**

06-0600-S28

COMMUNICATION FROM CHAIR, ARTS, PARKS, HEALTH AND AGING COMMITTEE and ORDINANCE FIRST CONSIDERATION relative to amending the Los Angeles Administrative Code (LAAC) to increase the general admission fees for the Municipal Art Gallery, Watts Towers and Hollyhock House.

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

PRESENT and ADOPT the accompanying ORDINANCE amending the LAAC to increase the general admission fees for the Municipal Art Gallery, Watts Towers and Hollyhock House.

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

(Budget and Finance Committee waived consideration of the above matter)

## Items for Which Public Hearings Have Been Held - Items 17-25

Roll Call #2 - Motion (Perry - Wesson) Adopted, Ayes (10); Absent: Huizar, LaBonge, Reyes and Zine (4)  
(Item Nos. 17-22)

### ITEM NO. (17) - ADOPTED

06-2612

BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the evaluation and salary determination for the Los Angeles City Employees' Retirement System (LACERS) General Manager.

Recommendation for Council action:

NOTE and FILE the LACERS Board of Administration report relative to the evaluation and salary determination for the LACERS' General Manager inasmuch as the report is submitted for information only and no Council action is necessary.

Fiscal Impact Statement: Not applicable.

### ITEM NO. (18) - ADOPTED

05-1244-S1

BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT relative to reimbursement of Department of Transportation (LADOT) overtime costs for The 2000 Avenue of the Stars Project.

Recommendation for Council action, as initiated by Motion (Weiss - Rosehdahl), SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR:

AUTHORIZE the Controller to accept a check from The 2000 Avenue of the Stars Project, for reimbursement of LADOT overtime cost for traffic control, and deposit the reimbursement into Fund 100/94, Revenue Source Account No. 4551.

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

### ITEM NO. (19) - ADOPTED

06-0600-S63

HOUSING, COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the status of Assembly Bill (AB) 1290 revenues to/for the City.

Recommendation for Council action:



NOTE and FILE the Community Redevelopment Agency report dated November 9, 2006, relative to the status of AB 1290 revenues to/for the City, inasmuch as the report is submitted for information only and no Council action is necessary.

Fiscal Impact Statement: Not applicable.

**ITEM NO. (20) - ADOPTED**

06-2731

CD 1 HOUSING, COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT relative to executing a Predevelopment Loan in an amount not to exceed \$600,000, for the MacArthur Park Metro Development (MPMD).

Recommendation for Council action:

AUTHORIZE the Chief Executive Officer, Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA), or designee, to:

- a. Execute a Predevelopment Loan Agreement with MacArthur Park Metro, LLC (Developer), in an amount not to exceed \$600,000, effective upon contract execution, for a term of 55 years, for the MPMD on the condition that low - and very low-income use restrictions are recorded after the ground lease is in effect, subject to the review of the City Attorney as to form and legality.
- b. Amend the CRA's Fiscal Year 2006-07 Work Program and Budget to transfer \$600,000 from the Mixed-Use Catalytic Development Work Objective (WL2700) to the MPMD Work Objective (WL 1300).

Fiscal Impact Statement: The City Administrative Officer reports that there is no impact on the General Fund. The CRA is only bound by the City Debt Management Policies; the City Financial Policies are not applicable to the CRA. Approval of the recommendations will result in the expenditure of an amount not to exceed \$600,000 of taxable bond proceeds for the MPMD.

**ITEM NO. (21) - ADOPTED**

06-2957

HOUSING, COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT relative to extending the contract with New Economics for Women (NEW) and changing the scope of work.

Recommendation for Council action, pursuant to Motion (Reyes - Huizar):

AUTHORIZE the General Manager, Community Development Department, or designee, to negotiate and execute an amendment to Contract No. 106874 with NEW, subject to the review of the City Attorney as to form and legality, to:

- a. Extend the term for seven months from June 30, 2006 to January 29, 2007.

- b. Change the scope of work to include the installation of interior signage in the NEWConnect Business Growth Center.

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

**ITEM NO. (22) - MOTION ADOPTED TO APPROVE COMMITTEE REPORT RECOMMENDATIONS - SEE FOLLOWING**

07-0014

CDs 9,10 & 14 COMMUNICATION FROM THE COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY relative to the retention of the law firm of Aleshire & Wynder and the assignment of three purchase orders for legal services related to the City Center Redevelopment Plan, the Central Industrial Redevelopment Plan, and the Adams/La Brea Development Project Areas.

(Housing, Community and Economic Development Committee report to be submitted in Council. If public hearing is not held in Committee, an opportunity for public comments will be provided.)

(For background reports and materials related to this matter, contact the Legislative Assistant for the Housing, Community and Economic Development Committee at 213-978-1080)

**ADOPTED**

**HOUSING, COMMUNITY, AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT** relative to the retention of the law firm Aleshire & Wynder and the assignment of three purchase orders for legal services related to the City Center Redevelopment Plan, the Central Industrial Redevelopment Plan, and the Adams/LaBrea Development Project Areas.

**Recommendation for Council action:**

**AUTHORIZE** the Chief Executive Officer, Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA), or designee, to:

- a. **Retain the services of the law firm of Aleshire & Wynder for the purpose of representing the CRA in three litigation matters: County of Los Angeles v. CRA (City Center litigation); County of Los Angeles v. CRA (Central Industrial litigation); and Newman v. CRA.**
- b. **Approve the assignment of a portion of the purchase order from Kane, Ballmer & Berkman to Aleshire & Wynder for legal services regarding the City Center litigation in an amount not to exceed \$395,000 and the Central Industrial litigation in an amount not to exceed \$256,000.**

Fiscal Impact Statement: The Chief Legislative Analyst reports that the proposed actions will not impact the General Fund.

**ITEM NO. (23) - CONTINUED TO FEBRUARY 21, 2007**

**Roll Call #3 - Motion (Wesson - Garcetti) Adopted to Continue, Unanimous Vote (10); Absent: Huizar, LaBonge, Reyes and Zine (4)**

06-2130

CD 13

CONTINUED CONSIDERATION OF HOUSING, COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT relative to a Settlement Agreement with Dome Entertainment Center Inc. (DEC) and Nationwide Theatres Corporation regarding the payment of daily charges at the Cinerama Dome parking structure.

Recommendations for Council action:

1. APPROVE, subject to the review of the City Attorney as to form and legality, the Settlement Agreement (Attachment A of the Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) report dated September 11, 2006) with DEC and Nationwide Theaters Corporation which provides, among other things, that:
  - a. DEC shall pay \$500,000 in Daily Charges (bond debt service).
  - b. The CRA shall reimburse DEC \$500,000 for off-site public improvements made by DEC adjacent to the Cinerama Dome.
  - c. The CRA shall construct new public improvements in the amount of \$400,000 adjacent to the Cinerama Dome.
  - d. The CRA shall pay \$786,068 for Development Tax Increment.
  - e. The CRA shall instruct the trustee to reduce the stated amount of the Letter of Credit by \$34,228.
2. AUTHORIZE the Chief Executive Officer, CRA, or designee, to execute the Settlement Agreement with DEC and Nationwide Theaters Corporation.
3. AMEND the CRA Fiscal Year (FY) 07 Budget and Work Program for additional carryover by recognizing \$286,068 of unspent Hollywood Bond Proceeds Series D from FY06 and allocating those resources to the Cinerama Dome Public Parking objective (HW4600).

Fiscal Impact Statement: The Chief Legislative Analyst reports that resources from the Hollywood Bond Proceeds Series D will be allocated to the Cinerama Dome Public Parking objective. The remainder of the settlement agreement will be funded from FY08 Tax Increment Benefit.

(Continued from Council meeting of December 12, 2006)

**ITEM NO. (24) - ADOPTED FORTHWITH**

**Roll Call #2 - Motion (Perry - Wesson) Adopted, Ayes (10); Absent: Huizar, LaBonge, Reyes and Zine (4)**

06-2810

CD 13 PLANNING AND LAND USE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the proposed inclusion of the one-block portion of Hollywood Boulevard from Sycamore to La Brea in the City's list of cultural or historic monuments as part of the Hollywood Walk of Fame.

Recommendation for Council action, pursuant to Motion (Garcetti - LaBonge):

PROPOSE that the one-block portion of Hollywood Boulevard from Sycamore to La Brea be included in the City's list of cultural or historic monuments as part of the Hollywood Walk of Fame (City Historic-Cultural Monument No. 194, described generally as being located between Gower and Sycamore.)

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

**(Pursuant to Section 22.125.1 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code, the Council shall act on the proposed inclusion to the list within 90 days of the Council or Commission action.)**

**ITEM NO. (25) - MOTION ADOPTED TO APPROVE COMMITTEE REPORT RECOMMENDATIONS  
- FORTHWITH - SEE FOLLOWING**

**Roll Call #7 - Motion (Reyes - Weiss) Adopted, Ayes (12); Absent: Huizar and Zine (2)**

06-3245

CD 1 TRACT MAP APPEAL filed by Emile Valle from the entire determination of the City Planning Commission in sustaining the decision of the Deputy Advisory Agency in approving Vesting Tentative Tract No. 67001 for a new maximum 280 residential condominium units and 20 commercial condominium units for property at 639-43 North Broadway, subject to Conditions of Approval, as modified.

Applicant: Chinatown Gateway, LLC

VTT 67001-2A

TIME LIMIT FILE - JANUARY 10, 2007

(LAST DAY FOR COUNCIL ACTION - JANUARY 10, 2007)

(Planning and Land Use Management Committee report to be submitted in Council. If public hearing is not held in Committee, an opportunity for public comments will be provided.)

(For background reports and materials related to this matter, contact the Legislative Assistant for the Planning and Land Use Management Committee at 213-978-1068)

**ADOPTED**

**MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION and PLANNING AND LAND USE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE REPORT** relative to an appeal on a Vesting Tentative Tract No. 67001 for property at 639-643 North Broadway.

**Recommendations for Council action:**

1. **FIND** that this project will not have a significant effect on the environment, pursuant to the City's Environmental Guidelines and is in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act; that the Mitigated Negative Declaration reflects the independent judgment of the lead agency in the City of Los Angeles; that the documents constituting the record of proceedings in this matter are located in Council file No. 06-3245 in the custody of the City Clerk and in the files of the Department of City Planning in the custody of the Environmental Review Section; and **ADOPT** the Mitigated Negative Declaration [ENV 2006-4321 MND].
2. **ADOPT** the **FINDINGS** of the City Planning Department, Deputy Advisory Agency, as the Findings of the City Council.
3. **RESOLVE TO DENY APPEAL** filed by Emile Valle from the entire decision of the City Planning Commission, and **THEREBY SUSTAIN** the action of the City Planning Commission and the Deputy Advisory Agency, and **APPROVE** Vesting Tentative Tract No. 67001 for a new 280 residential condominium units and 20 commercial condominium units project located at 639-643 North Broadway (also known as the Chinatown Gateway project), subject to Conditions of Approval, as modified by the Planning Commission, and as further modified by the Planning and Land Use Management Committee and shown in the attachment to this Committee report.

**Applicant: Chinatown Gateway, LLCVTT 67001-2A**

**Fiscal Impact Statement:** The Planning Department advises that there is no General Fund impact, as administrative costs are recovered through fees.

**TIME LIMIT FILE - JANUARY 10, 2007**

**(LAST DAY FOR COUNCIL ACTION - JANUARY 10, 2007)**

## Items for Which Public Hearings Have Not Been Held - Items 26-35

(10 Votes Required for Consideration)

**Roll Call #8 - Motion (Rosendahl - Smith) Adopted, Ayes (12); Absent: Huizar and Zine (2)  
(Item Nos. 26-31)**

### ITEM NO. (26) - MOTION ADOPTED TO APPROVE COMMUNICATION RECOMMENDATIONS

06-2674

COMMUNICATION FROM THE BUREAU OF STREET SERVICES and ORDINANCE OF INTENTION FIRST CONSIDERATION relative to setting the date for hearing objections against the 2007 Annual Weed and Brush Abatement Assessment Roll Schedule for locations stated on personal appeals attached to the file.

Recommendation for Council action, pursuant to Government Code Sections 39560 to 39588, SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR:

PRESENT and ADOPT the accompanying ORDINANCE establishing MARCH 21, 2007, as the date for hearing objections to the proposed removal of weeds and/or rubbish, refuse and dirt upon certain streets, sidewalks, parkways and/or are on or in front of certain private properties in the City of Los Angeles, and are a public nuisance, and declaring Council's intention to order the abatement of said nuisance.

(Board of Public Works Hearing Date: February 21, 2007)

### ITEM NO. (27) - MOTION ADOPTED TO APPROVE COMMUNICATION RECOMMENDATIONS

06-2697

CD 11

COMMUNICATION FROM THE BUREAU OF STREET LIGHTING and ORDINANCE OF INTENTION FIRST CONSIDERATION relative to establishing a hearing date for the maintenance of STONER AND IDAHO AVENUES LIGHTING DISTRICT.

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

1. ADOPT the report of the Director, Bureau of Street Lighting, dated November 1, 2006.
2. PRESENT and ADOPT the accompanying ORDINANCE OF INTENTION setting the date of MARCH 16, 2007 as the hearing date for the maintenance of Stoner and Idaho Avenues Lighting District, in accordance with Proposition 218, Articles XIIC and XIID of the California Constitution and Government Code Section 53753.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The Bureau of Street Lighting reports that if adopted, \$385.56 will be collected annually starting with tax year 2007-08 that will go into a dedicated street lighting maintenance assessment account for the use in the operation and maintenance of this street lighting system.

(Board of Public Works Hearing Date: March 5, 2007)

**ITEM NO. (28) - MOTION ADOPTED TO APPROVE COMMUNICATION RECOMMENDATIONS**

06-2596-S1

CDs 9 & 14 COMMUNICATION FROM THE BUREAU OF STREET LIGHTING and ORDINANCE OF INTENTION FIRST CONSIDERATION relative to establishing a hearing date for the maintenance of EASTSIDE LRT PROJECT, SEGMENT 1 & 2A LIGHTING DISTRICT.

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

1. ADOPT the report of the Director, Bureau of Street Lighting, dated December 21, 2006.
2. PRESENT and ADOPT the accompanying ORDINANCE OF INTENTION setting the date of MARCH 16, 2007 as the hearing date for the maintenance of Eastside LRT Project, Segment 1 & 2A Lighting District, in accordance with Proposition 218, Articles XIIC and XIID of the California Constitution and Government Code Section 53753.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The Bureau of Street Lighting reports that if adopted, \$13,855.12 will be collected annually starting with tax year 2007-08 that will go into a dedicated street lighting maintenance assessment account for the use in the operation and maintenance of this street lighting system.

(Board of Public Works Hearing Date: March 5, 2007)

**ITEM NO. (29) - MOTION ADOPTED TO APPROVE COMMUNICATION RECOMMENDATIONS**

06-2703

CD 12 COMMUNICATION FROM THE BUREAU OF STREET LIGHTING and ORDINANCE OF INTENTION FIRST CONSIDERATION relative to establishing a hearing date for the maintenance of ODYSSEY DRIVE AND BLUCHER AVENUE LIGHTING DISTRICT.

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

1. ADOPT the report of the Director, Bureau of Street Lighting, dated October 27, 2006.
2. PRESENT and ADOPT the accompanying ORDINANCE OF INTENTION setting the date of MARCH 16, 2007 as the hearing date for the maintenance of Odyssey Drive and Blucher Avenue Lighting District, in accordance with Proposition 218, Articles XIIC and XIID of the California Constitution and Government Code Section 53753.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The Bureau of Street Lighting reports that if adopted, \$1,836 will be collected annually starting with tax year 2007-08 that will go into a dedicated street lighting maintenance assessment account for the use in the operation and maintenance of this street lighting system.

(Board of Public Works Hearing Date: March 5, 2007)

**ITEM NO. (30) - MOTION ADOPTED TO APPROVE COMMUNICATION RECOMMENDATIONS**

06-2699

CD 6

COMMUNICATION FROM THE BUREAU OF STREET LIGHTING and ORDINANCE OF INTENTION FIRST CONSIDERATION relative to establishing a hearing date for the maintenance of BASSETT STREET AND WOODLEY AVENUE LIGHTING DISTRICT.

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

1. ADOPT the report of the Director, Bureau of Street Lighting, dated October 31, 2006.
2. PRESENT and ADOPT the accompanying ORDINANCE OF INTENTION setting the date of MARCH 16, 2007 as the hearing date for the maintenance of Bassett Street and Woodley Avenue Lighting District, in accordance with Proposition 218, Articles XIIC and XIID of the California Constitution and Government Code Section 53753.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The Bureau of Street Lighting reports that if adopted, \$183.60 will be collected annually starting with tax year 2007-08 that will go into a dedicated street lighting maintenance assessment account for the use in the operation and maintenance of this street lighting system.

(Board of Public Works Hearing Date: March 5, 2007)

**ITEM NO. (31) - MOTION ADOPTED TO APPROVE COMMUNICATION RECOMMENDATIONS**

06-2702

CD 2

COMMUNICATION FROM THE BUREAU OF STREET LIGHTING and ORDINANCE OF INTENTION FIRST CONSIDERATION relative to establishing a hearing date for the maintenance of WOODMAN AVENUE AND GAULT STREET LIGHTING DISTRICT.

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

1. ADOPT the report of the Director, Bureau of Street Lighting, dated November 1, 2006.
2. PRESENT and ADOPT the accompanying ORDINANCE OF INTENTION setting the date of MARCH 16, 2007 as the hearing date for the maintenance of Woodman Avenue and Gault Street Lighting District, in accordance with Proposition 218, Articles XIIC and XIID of the California Constitution and Government Code Section 53753.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The Bureau of Street Lighting reports that if adopted, \$673.20 will be collected annually starting with tax year 2007-08 that will go into a dedicated street lighting maintenance assessment account for the use in the operation and maintenance of this street lighting system.

(Board of Public Works Hearing Date: March 5, 2007)



**ITEM NO. (32) - MOTION ADOPTED TO APPROVE COMMUNICATION RECOMMENDATIONS**

**Roll Call #9 - Motion (Rosendahl - Reyes) Adopted, Ayes (12); Absent: Huizar and Zine (2)**

06-2700

CD 11

COMMUNICATION FROM THE BUREAU OF STREET LIGHTING and ORDINANCE OF INTENTION FIRST CONSIDERATION relative to establishing a hearing date for the maintenance of BARRINGTON AVENUE AND SUNSET BOULEVARD LIGHTING DISTRICT.

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

1. ADOPT the report of the Director, Bureau of Street Lighting, dated November 1, 2006.
2. PRESENT and ADOPT the accompanying ORDINANCE OF INTENTION setting the date of MARCH 16, 2007 as the hearing date for the maintenance of Barrington Avenue and Sunset Boulevard Lighting District, in accordance with Proposition 218, Articles XIIC and XIID of the California Constitution and Government Code Section 53753.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The Bureau of Street Lighting reports that if adopted, \$489.60 will be collected annually starting with tax year 2007-08 that will go into a dedicated street lighting maintenance assessment account for the use in the operation and maintenance of this street lighting system.

(Board of Public Works Hearing Date: March 5, 2007)

**ITEM NO. (33) - MOTION ADOPTED TO APPROVE COMMUNICATION RECOMMENDATIONS**

**Roll Call #8 - Motion (Rosendahl - Smith) Adopted, Ayes (12); Absent: Huizar and Zine (2)**

06-2701

CD 2

COMMUNICATION FROM THE BUREAU OF STREET LIGHTING and ORDINANCE OF INTENTION FIRST CONSIDERATION relative to establishing a hearing date for the maintenance of LANKERSHIM BOULEVARD AND ERWIN STREET NO. 1 LIGHTING DISTRICT.

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

1. ADOPT the report of the Director, Bureau of Street Lighting, dated November 1, 2006.
2. PRESENT and ADOPT the accompanying ORDINANCE OF INTENTION setting the date of MARCH 16, 2007 as the hearing date for the maintenance of Lankershim Boulevard and Erwin Street No. 1 Lighting District, in accordance with Proposition 218, Articles XIIC and XIID of the California Constitution and Government Code Section 53753.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The Bureau of Street Lighting reports that if adopted, \$545.88 will be collected annually starting with tax year 2007-08 that will go into a dedicated street lighting maintenance assessment account for the use in the operation and maintenance of this street lighting system.

(Board of Public Works Hearing Date: March 5, 2007)

**ITEM NO. (34) - MOTION ADOPTED TO APPROVE COMMUNICATION RECOMMENDATIONS**

**Roll Call #10 - Motion (Greuel - Parks) Adopted, Ayes (12); Absent: Huizar and Zine (2)**

06-2128

CONTINUED CONSIDERATION OF COMMUNICATION FROM THE CITY ATTORNEY and ORDINANCE FIRST CONSIDERATION relative to amending Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC) Section 48.02 to revise lobbying entity reporting requirements for charitable contributions.

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

PRESENT and ADOPT the accompanying ORDINANCE relative to amending LAMC Section 48.02 to revise a definition in the lobbying ordinance and revise lobbying entity reporting requirements with regard to charitable donations made at the behest of an elected official.

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

(Continued from Council meeting of December 20, 2006)

**ITEM NO. (35) - ADOPTED**

**Roll Call #4 - Motion (Parks - Perry) Adopted, Ayes (11); Absent: Huizar, Reyes and Zine (3)**

07-0005-S1

et al. RESOLUTIONS relative to removing various properties from the Rent Escrow Account Program.

Recommendation for Council action:

ADOPT the accompanying RESOLUTIONS removing the following properties from the Rent Escrow Account Program (REAP), inasmuch as the owner(s) have corrected the cited REAP violations and provided proof of compliance with the Los Angeles Housing Department, Code Enforcement Unit, habitability citations, pursuant to Ordinance 173810, and ADOPT the Findings contained in the Los Angeles Housing Department's report of December 11, 2006:

07-0005-S1

CD 8 a. Property at 7411 South Figueroa Street (Case No. 5993).  
Assessor I.D. No. 6020-024-014

(Notice of Acceptance into the REAP/Rent Reduction Program was sent on November 19, 2002)

07-0005-S2

CD 1 b. Property at 537 North Avenue 57 (Case No. 7505).  
Assessor I.D. No. 5478-033-001

(Notice of Acceptance into the REAP/Rent Reduction Program was sent on June 22, 2004)

07-0005-S3

CD 1 c. Property at 1202 West Sunset Boulevard (Case No. 11586).  
Assessor I.D. No. 5405-023-001

(Notice of Acceptance into the REAP/Rent Reduction Program was sent on December 4, 2006)

07-0005-S4

CD 9 d. Property at 957 West 45th Street (Case No. 13292).  
Assessor I.D. No. 5018-007-021

(Notice of Acceptance into the REAP/Rent Reduction Program was sent on November 22, 2006)

07-0005-S5

CD 15 e. Property at 1254 West Eighth Street (Case No. 14409).  
Assessor I.D. No. 7459-021-011

(Notice of Acceptance into the REAP/Rent Reduction Program was sent on October 31, 2006)

07-0005-S6

CD 9 f. Property at 1241 West 46th Street (Case No. 15048).  
Assessor I.D. No. 5017-015-012

(Notice of Acceptance into the REAP/Rent Reduction Program was sent on October 25, 2006)

07-0005-S7

CD 10 g. Property at 2622 South Ridgeley Drive (Case No. 23134).  
Assessor I.D. No. 5043-008-025

(Notice of Acceptance into the REAP/Rent Reduction Program was sent on November 8, 2006)

07-0005-S8

CD 15 h. Property at 1627 West 206th Street (Case No. 34948).  
Assessor I.D. No. 7351-007-018

(Notice of Acceptance into the REAP/Rent Reduction Program was sent on September 12, 2006)

07-0005-S9

CD 9 i. Property at 8875 South Central Avenue (Case No. 35364).  
Assessor I.D. No. 6042-027-006

(Notice of Acceptance into the REAP/Rent Reduction Program was sent on September 26, 2006)

07-0005-S10

CD 15 j. Property at 1542 West 226th Street (Case No. 51487).  
Assessor I.D. No. 7347-011-018

(Notice of Acceptance into the REAP/Rent Reduction Program was sent on November 8, 2006)

## Items Called Special

### Motions for Posting and Referral

### Councilmembers' Requests for Excuse from Attendance at Council Meetings

### Closed Session - Item 36

ITEM NO. (36) - MEETING HELD - MOTION ADOPTED IN OPEN SESSION - SEE FOLLOWING

Roll Call #11 - Motion (Parks - Smith) Adopted in Open Session, Ayes (12); Absent: Huizar and Zine (2)

06-2997

The City Council shall recess to Closed Session, pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(a), to confer with its legal counsel relative to settlement in the case entitled Sean Farhad Ahl v. City of Los Angeles, Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC 337011 (inverse condemnation action).

(Budget and Finance Committee considered the above matter in Closed Session on December 18, 2006)

### ADOPTED

#### MOTION (PARKS - SMITH)

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

1. **AUTHORIZE** the City Attorney to execute the necessary settlement documents to implement settlement of the case entitled Sean Farhad Ahl v. City of Los Angeles, Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC 337011.
2. **AUTHORIZE** the City Attorney to expend \$400,000 in settlement of the above entitled case from the Sewer Operation and Maintenance Fund No. 760, Department 50, Account No. A282.
3. **AUTHORIZE** the City Attorney to draw the necessary demand thereon made payable to Sean Farhad Ahl and to the Law Offices of Wasserman, Comden & Casselman, L.L.P.
4. **AUTHORIZE** the City Attorney, or designee, to prepare Controller instructions for any necessary technical adjustments subject to the approval of the City Administrative Officer and **AUTHORIZE** the Controller to implement those instructions.

This matter was approved by the Budget and Finance Committee (Parks - Greuel - Smith - Rosendahl - Huizar "yes") at its meeting of December 18, 2006, in Closed Session as permitted by Government Code Section 54956.9(a).

## **MOTIONS PRESENTED PURSUANT TO RULE NO. 16 - TO BE PLACED ON THE NEXT AVAILABLE AGENDA**

05-2820

MOTION (HAHN - LABONGE) relative to declaring the 2007 Annual Whale Fiesta on January 28, 2007 a Special Event (fees and costs absorbed by the City = \$760).

07-0058

MOTION (PARKS - LABONGE for WESSON) relative to declaring the Third Annual Kingdom Day Gospel Festival on January 15, 2007 a Special Event (fees and costs absorbed by the City = \$54,139).

07-0059

MOTION (PARKS - LABONGE for WESSON) relative to declaring the 22nd Annual Martin Luther King, Jr. Kingdom Day Parade on January 15, 2007 a Special Event (fees and costs absorbed by the City = \$38,830).

07-0060

MOTION (PARKS - LABONGE for WESSON) relative to declaring the Sixth Annual MLK Bike Race on January 15, 2007 a Special Event (fees and costs absorbed by the City = \$18,000).

07-0061

MOTION (PERRY - WESSON) relative to the Los Angeles Association of Black Personnel's (LAABP) "African American Heritage History Month Celebrations."

06-0010-S22

MOTION (PERRY - WESSON) relative to reinstating the reward offer in the deaths of David Marcial, Larry Marcial and Luis Cervantes for an additional 60 days.

06-1401

MOTION (HAHN - LABONGE) relative to relative to installing street banners identifying the Port of Los Angeles and celebrating the 2007 Port Centennial from January 2007 through December 2007.

07-0055

MOTION (WEISS for HUIZAR - SMITH) relative to funding the construction of a concrete slope and rock blanket underneath the freeway intersecting Hollenbeck Park in Council District 14.

05-1073-S56

MOTION (GREUEL - WEISS) relative to amending Council action of June 2, 2006 (Council file No. 05-1073-S56) regarding the construction of a landscaped median in Council District Two.

07-0056

MOTION (SMITH - WEISS) relative to constructing a fence around Northridge Little League Park in Council District 12.

07-0057

MOTION (GARCETTI - WEISS) relative to accepting a grant from the California Women's Law Center for a case management system for the City Attorney's Family Violence Unit.

**COMMENDATORY RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED IN HONOR OF:**

07-0017 - William T. "Bill" Fujioka

(Garcetti - All Councilmembers)

**At the conclusion of this day's Council Session  
ADJOURNING MOTIONS WERE ADOPTED in tribute to the memory of:**

07-0018 - Tim Barry

(LaBonge)

Georgia V. Stuckey

(Parks)

Francis William Navickas

(Smith)

Rex Lewis

(Smith)

**Ayes, Cardenas, Greuel, Hahn, LaBonge, Parks, Perry, Reyes, Rosendahl, Smith, Weiss and President Garcetti (11); Absent: Huizar, Wesson and Zine (3). Council District Seven Vacant.**

**Whereupon the Council did adjourn.**

ATTEST: Frank T. Martinez, CITY CLERK

By

Council Clerk

PRESIDENT OF THE CITY COUNCIL