

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

Friday, **September 5, 2008**

Van Nuys City Hall, 14410 Sylvan Street, Van Nuys, CA 91401 - 10 am

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(For communications referred by the President see Referral Memorandum)

**ROLL CALL - Members present: Alarcon, Greuel, Hahn, LaBonge, Parks, Rosendahl, Smith, Weiss, Wesson and President Garcetti (10); Absent: Cardenas, Huizar, Perry, Reyes and Zine (5).**

APPROVAL OF THE RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNCIL MEETING OF  
SEPTEMBER 2, 2008

COMMENDATORY RESOLUTIONS AND INTRODUCTIONS - NONE

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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 for Which Public Hearings Have Been Held - Items 1-3**

**Roll Call #1 - Motion (Garcetti - Weiss) Adopted, Ayes (10); Absent: Cardenas, Huizar, Perry, Reyes and Zine (5)  
(Item Nos. 1-3)**

#### **ITEM NO. (1) - MOTION ADOPTED TO APPROVE COMMITTEE REPORT RECOMMENDATION**

[06-0979](#)

ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the submission of a \$54,883 grant application to the California Integrated Waste Management Board (CIWMB) to assist with the City's Local Enforcement Agency (LEA) Program.

Recommendation for Council action:

NOTE and FILE the May 8, 2008 report from the Environmental Affairs Department relative to the submission of a \$54,883 grant application to the CIWMB to assist with the City's LEA Program, inasmuch as the report is submitted for information only and no Council action is necessary.

Fiscal Impact Statement: Not applicable.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

**ITEM NO. (2) - MOTION ADOPTED TO APPROVE COMMITTEE REPORT RECOMMENDATION**

[08-0856](#)

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE REPORT relative to a quarterly tally for the period May 3, 2008 to July 29, 2008 on the number of City employees filling vacancies in proprietary departments through transfers from Council-controlled departments.

Recommendation for Council action:

NOTE and FILE the August 1, 2008 quarterly report from the Personnel Department for the period May 3, 2008 to July 29, 2008 relative to the number of City employees filling vacancies in proprietary departments through transfers from Council-controlled departments, inasmuch as the report is submitted for information only and no Council action is necessary.

Fiscal Impact Statement: Not applicable.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

**ITEM NO. (3) - MOTION ADOPTED TO APPROVE COMMITTEE REPORT RECOMMENDATION**

[08-1882](#)

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the status of the transition of services for the administration of Police and Fire sworn workers' compensation claims from Cambridge Integrated Services (Cambridge) to Tristar Risk Management (Tristar), a Third Party Administrator (TPA).

Recommendation for Council action:

NOTE and FILE the July 16, 2008 report from the Personnel Department relative to the status of the transition of services for the administration of Police and Fire sworn workers' compensation claims from Cambridge to Tristar, a TPA, inasmuch as the report is submitted for information only and no Council action is necessary.

Fiscal Impact Statement: Not applicable.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

## Items for Which Public Hearings Have Not Been Held - Items 4-10

(10 Votes Required for Consideration)

**Roll Call #2 - Motion (Alarcon - LaBonge) Adopted, Ayes (10); Absent: Cardenas, Huizar, Perry, Reyes and Zine (5)  
(Item Nos. 4-8)**

### **ITEM NO. (4) - MOTION ADOPTED TO APPROVE COMMUNICATION RECOMMENDATIONS - ORDINANCE OVER TO SEPTEMBER 12, 2008**

[07-0284](#)

CD 4

COMMUNICATION FROM THE BUREAU OF STREET LIGHTING and ORDINANCE OF INTENTION FIRST CONSIDERATION relative to establishing a hearing date for the maintenance of the Bloomfield Street and Cahuenga Boulevard (Reballot) 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 May 19, 2008.
2. PRESENT and ADOPT the accompanying ORDINANCE OF INTENTION setting the date of **NOVEMBER 4, 2008** as the hearing date for the maintenance of the Bloomfield Street and Cahuenga Boulevard (Reballot) Lighting District, in accordance with Proposition 218, Articles XIIIC and XIID of the California Constitution and Government Code Section 53753.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The Bureau of Street Lighting reports that if adopted, \$446.67 will be collected annually starting with tax year 2009-10 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: October 27, 2008)

### **ITEM NO. (5) - MOTION ADOPTED TO APPROVE COMMUNICATION RECOMMENDATIONS - ORDINANCE OVER TO SEPTEMBER 12, 2008**

[08-1309](#)

CD 5

COMMUNICATION FROM THE BUREAU OF STREET LIGHTING and ORDINANCE OF INTENTION FIRST CONSIDERATION relative to establishing a hearing date for the maintenance of the Weddington Street and Bellingham 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 May 16, 2008.

2. PRESENT and ADOPT the accompanying ORDINANCE OF INTENTION setting the date of **NOVEMBER 4, 2008** as the hearing date for the maintenance of the Weddington Street and Bellingham 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, \$287.15 will be collected annually starting with tax year 2009-10 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: October 27, 2008)

**ITEM NO. (6) - MOTION ADOPTED TO APPROVE COMMUNICATION RECOMMENDATIONS - ORDINANCE OVER TO SEPTEMBER 12, 2008**

[08-1310](#)

CD 4

COMMUNICATION FROM THE BUREAU OF STREET LIGHTING and ORDINANCE OF INTENTION FIRST CONSIDERATION relative to establishing a hearing date for the maintenance of the Las Palmas and Franklin 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 May 19, 2008.
2. PRESENT and ADOPT the accompanying ORDINANCE OF INTENTION setting the date of **NOVEMBER 4, 2008** as the hearing date for the maintenance of the Las Palmas and Franklin 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, \$284.56 will be collected annually starting with tax year 2009-10 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: October 27, 2008)

**ITEM NO. (7) - MOTION ADOPTED TO APPROVE COMMUNICATION RECOMMENDATIONS - ORDINANCE OVER TO SEPTEMBER 12, 2008**

[08-1311](#)

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 the San Fernando Mission Boulevard and Gothic 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 May 19, 2008.
2. PRESENT and ADOPT the accompanying ORDINANCE OF INTENTION setting the date of **NOVEMBER 4, 2008** as the hearing date for the maintenance of San Fernando Mission Boulevard and Gothic Avenue Lighting District, in accordance with Proposition 218, Articles XIIIC and XIID of the California Constitution and Government Code Section 53753.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The Bureau of Street Lighting reports that if adopted, \$320.13 will be collected annually starting with tax year 2009-10 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: October 27, 2008)

**ITEM NO. (8) - MOTION ADOPTED TO APPROVE COMMUNICATION RECOMMENDATIONS - ORDINANCE OVER TO SEPTEMBER 12, 2008**

[08-2062](#)  
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 the Almar Plaza and Almar 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 August 4, 2008.
2. PRESENT and ADOPT the accompanying ORDINANCE OF INTENTION setting the date of **NOVEMBER 4, 2008** as the hearing date for the maintenance of Almar Plaza and Almar Avenue Lighting District, in accordance with Proposition 218, Articles XIIIC and XIID of the California Constitution and Government Code Section 53753.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The Bureau of Street Lighting reports that if adopted, \$210.54 will be collected annually starting with tax year 2009-10 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: October 27, 2008)

**Roll Call #3 - Motion (Rosendahl - Wesson) Adopted, Ayes (10); Absent: Cardenas, Garcetti, Perry, Reyes and Zine (5)  
(Item Nos. 9-10)**

**ITEM NO. (9) - ADOPTED**

[08-0005-S535](#)

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 (LAHD), Code Enforcement Unit, habitability citations, pursuant to Ordinance 173810, and ADOPT the Findings contained in the LAHD's report of August 28, 2008:

[08-0005-S535](#)

CD 2

- a. Property at 4324 North Ventura Canyon Avenue (Case No. 169015).  
Assessor I.D. No. 2360-007-012

(Notice of Acceptance into the REAP/Rent Reduction Program was sent on June 10, 2008)

[08-0005-S536](#)

CD 8

- b. Property at 6825 South 10th Avenue (Case No. 22702).  
Assessor I.D. No. 4006-026-024

(Notice of Acceptance into the REAP/Rent Reduction Program was sent on October 25, 2007)

[08-0005-S537](#)

CD 8

- c. Property at 6012 South 10th Avenue (Case No. 119145).  
Assessor I.D. No. 4006-001-011

(Notice of Acceptance into the REAP/Rent Reduction Program was sent on August 14, 2007)

[08-0005-S538](#)

CD 8

- d. Property at 2402 West Slauson Avenue (Case No. 180134).  
Assessor I.D. No. 4005-022-029

(Notice of Acceptance into the REAP/Rent Reduction Program was sent on July 8, 2008)

[08-0005-S539](#)

CD 10

- e. Property at 3703 West Jefferson Boulevard (Case No. 16294).  
Assessor I.D. No. 5050-030-058

(Notice of Acceptance into the REAP/Rent Reduction Program was sent on January 18, 2007)

[08-0005-S540](#)

CD 10

- f. Property at 3424 South Somerset Drive (Case No. 119814).  
Assessor I.D. No. 5046-002-009

(Notice of Acceptance into the REAP/Rent Reduction Program was sent on July 10, 2008)

[08-0005-S541](#)

CD 10

- g. Property at 1221 South Highland Avenue (Case No. 156091).  
Assessor I.D. No. 5084-027-005

(Notice of Acceptance into the REAP/Rent Reduction Program was sent on June 25, 2008)

[08-0005-S542](#)

CD 10

- h. Property at 1031 South Redondo Boulevard (Case No. 29506).  
Assessor I.D. No. 5084-015-007

(Notice of Acceptance into the REAP/Rent Reduction Program was sent on November 9, 2006)

[08-0005-S543](#)

CD 13

- i. Property at 838 North Silver Lake Boulevard (Case No. 149283).  
Assessor I.D. No. 5426-021-004

(Notice of Acceptance into the REAP/Rent Reduction Program was sent on August 5, 2008)

[08-0005-S544](#)

CD 13

- j. Property at 360 North Occidental Boulevard (Case No. 154781).  
Assessor I.D. No. 5156-024-002

(Notice of Acceptance into the REAP/Rent Reduction Program was sent on July 24, 2008)

## **ITEM NO. (10) - MOTION ADOPTED TO APPROVE COMMUNICATION RECOMMENDATION**

### 07-1342-S3

COMMUNICATION FROM CHAIR and VICE-CHAIR, AD HOC RIVER COMMITTEE relative to quarterly status reports on Los Angeles River Revitalization projects.

Recommendation for Council action:

NOTE and FILE the quarterly reports from the City Administrative Officer relative to the status on Los Angeles River Revitalization projects dated June 3, 2008; January 8, 2008; and September 5, 2007, inasmuch as the reports are submitted for information only and no Council action is necessary.

Fiscal Impact Statement: Not applicable.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

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

### 08-2335

CD 10

MOTION (WESSON - PARKS) relative to declaring the Summer Night Lights City-Wide Celebration on August 30, 2008 a Special Event (fees and costs absorbed by the City = none submitted).

### 08-2330

CD 8

MOTION (PARKS - LABONGE) relative to declaring the Fourth Annual Back to School Giveaway and Health Fair on September 13, 2008 a Special Event (fees and costs absorbed by the City = \$2,597).

### 08-2331

CD 8

MOTION (PARKS - LABONGE) relative to declaring the Unveil Sickle Cell Rally on September 6, 2008 a Special Event (fees and costs absorbed by the City = \$1,146).

### 08-2349

CD 11

MOTION (ROSENDAHL - SMITH) relative to declaring the Playa Del Rey Triathlon on October 5, 2008 a Special Event (fees and costs absorbed by the City = \$10,930).

### 08-2350

CD 15

MOTION (HAHN - LABONGE) relative to declaring the 17th Annual Festival of Philippine Arts and Culture on September 6-7, 2008 a Special Event (fees and costs absorbed by the City = \$5,260).



[08-2352](#)

CD 6

MOTION (PARKS for CARDENAS - HAHN) relative to declaring the California Coastal Cleanup Day on September 20, 2008 a Special Event (fees and costs absorbed by the City = \$1,050).

[08-2351](#)

CD 15

MOTION (HAHN - LABONGE) relative to funding for alley improvements in Council District 15.

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

[08-1753](#) - Cristyn Nicole Cordova

(Huizar - All Councilmembers)

Toni Marie Cordova

(Huizar - All Councilmembers)

Andrew Cordova

(Huizar - All Councilmembers)

Jason Gomez Hernandez

(Huizar - All Councilmembers)

**Ayes, Alarcon, Greuel, Hahn, Huizar, LaBonge, Parks, Rosendahl, Smith, Weiss and Wesson (10);  
Absent: Cardenas, Perry, Reyes, Zine and President Garcetti (5).**

**Whereupon the Council did adjourn.**

ATTEST: Karen E. Kalfayan, CITY CLERK

By

Council Clerk

PRESIDENT OF THE CITY COUNCIL