

Los Angeles City Council, **Journal/Council Proceedings**
Tuesday, **January 6, 2009**
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: Alarcon, Cardenas, Hahn, Reyes, Rosendahl, Smith, Weiss, Wesson, Zine and President Garcetti (10); Absent: Greuel, Huizar, LaBonge, Parks and Perry, (5).

APPROVAL OF THE RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNCIL MEETING OF
December 16, 2008

COMMENDATORY RESOLUTIONS AND INTRODUCTIONS - None

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

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

Items Noticed for Public Hearing - Items 1-7

ITEM NO. (1) - PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED - ORDINANCE ADOPTED - TO THE MAYOR FORTHWITH

Roll Call #7 - Motion (LaBonge - Smith) Adopted, Ayes (14); Absent: Alarcon (1)

[06-2513](#)

CDs 1, 4 & 10

HEARING OF PROTESTS and ORDINANCE FIRST CONSIDERATION relative to levying the Wilshire Center Business Improvement District ("District") special assessment for the District's 14th fiscal year (operating year) beginning on January 1, 2009 through December 31, 2009.

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

1. HEAR PROTESTS against the proposed levying of the special assessment for the District's 2009 fiscal year, pursuant to Section 36524 of the California Streets and Highways Code.
2. PRESENT and ADOPT the accompanying ORDINANCE levying the special assessment for the District's 2009 fiscal year, if a majority protest, as defined by Section 36525 of the California Streets and Highways Code is found not to exist.
3. APPROVE the Wilshire Center Business Improvement District Advisory Board for the District's 2009 fiscal year.

4. AUTHORIZE the City Clerk, subject to City Attorney approval, to prepare, execute and administer a contract between the City and the Wilshire Center Business Improvement Corporation, the nonprofit service provider for administration of the District.
5. AUTHORIZE the Controller to provide, if necessary and if available, an advance against the District's assessment revenue, in an amount not to exceed \$192,237 (representing 25 percent of the anticipated assessment revenue for the District's 2009 fiscal year), to the Wilshire Center Business Improvement District.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The City Clerk reports that direct costs for Department administration of the District program for its 2009 fiscal year will be recovered from the assessments collected. There are no assessments to be paid for City-owned properties located within the boundaries of the District. Therefore, there is no impact on the General Fund.

(Pursuant to Council adoption of Ordinance No.180431 on December 16, 2008.)

**Roll Call #5 - Motion (Cardenas - Greuel) Adopted, Ayes (15)
(Item Nos. 2-7)**

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

[07-0349](#)

CD 11

CONTINUED CONSIDERATION OF HEARING PROTESTS and ORDINANCE FIRST CONSIDERATION relative to the improvement and maintenance of the Santa Monica Boulevard and Granville 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 12, 2008)

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

[08-2341](#)

CD 1

CONTINUED CONSIDERATION OF HEARING PROTESTS and ORDINANCE FIRST CONSIDERATION relative to the improvement and maintenance of the New Hampshire Avenue and 15th 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 12, 2008)

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

[08-2342](#)

CD 6

CONTINUED CONSIDERATION OF HEARING PROTESTS and ORDINANCE FIRST CONSIDERATION relative to the improvement and maintenance of Crockett Street and Wheatland 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 12, 2008)

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

[08-2343](#)

CD 2

CONTINUED CONSIDERATION OF HEARING PROTESTS and ORDINANCE FIRST CONSIDERATION relative to the improvement and maintenance of the Moorpark Street and Elmer 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 12, 2008)

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

[08-2344](#)

CD 3

CONTINUED CONSIDERATION OF HEARING PROTESTS and ORDINANCE FIRST CONSIDERATION relative to the improvement and maintenance of the Vanowen Street and Penfield 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 12, 2008)

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

[08-0770](#)

CD 6

CONTINUED CONSIDERATION OF HEARING PROTESTS and ORDINANCE FIRST CONSIDERATION relative to the improvement and maintenance of the Balboa and Victory Boulevards (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 12, 2008)

Items for Which Public Hearings Have Been Held - Items 8-30

Roll Call #2 - Motion (Cardenas - Reyes) Adopted, Ayes (10); Absent: Greuel, Huizar, LaBonge, Parks and Perry (5)
(Item Nos. 8-14)

ITEM NO. (8) - ADOPTED

[08-1313](#)

CD 12

ORDINANCE SECOND CONSIDERATION levying the assessments and ordering the maintenance of the Topanga Canyon Boulevard and Chatsworth Street 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 closed on December 12, 2008)

ITEM NO. (9) - ADOPTED

[08-1315](#)

CD 15

ORDINANCE SECOND CONSIDERATION levying the assessments and ordering the maintenance of the Wilmington Avenue and 107th Street 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 closed on December 12, 2008)

ITEM NO. (10) - ADOPTED

[08-2188](#)

CD 2

ORDINANCE SECOND CONSIDERATION levying the assessments and ordering the maintenance of the Morella Avenue and Hortense Street 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 closed on December 12, 2008)

ITEM NO. (11) - ADOPTED

[08-2190](#)

CD 2

ORDINANCE SECOND CONSIDERATION levying the assessments and ordering the maintenance of the Moorpark Street and Norwich Avenue 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 closed on December 12, 2008)

ITEM NO. (12) - ADOPTED

[08-2189](#)

CD 2

ORDINANCE SECOND CONSIDERATION abandoning all proceedings relating to the Murietta Avenue and Moorpark Street 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 closed on December 12, 2008)

ITEM NO. (13) - ADOPTED

[07-0279](#)

CD 2

ORDINANCE OF INTENTION SECOND CONSIDERATION setting the date of **FEBRUARY 13, 2009** as the hearing date for the maintenance of the Apperson Street and Commerce Avenue (Reballot) Lighting District, in accordance with Proposition 218, Articles XIIC and XIID of the California Constitution and Government Code Section 53753.

(Communication from the Bureau of Street Lighting adopted on December 12, 2008)

ITEM NO. (14) - ADOPTED

[07-2009](#)

CD 9

ORDINANCE OF INTENTION SECOND CONSIDERATION setting the date of **FEBRUARY 13, 2009** as the hearing date for the maintenance of the Wall and 12th Streets (Reballot) Lighting District, in accordance with Proposition 218, Articles XIIC and XIID of the California Constitution and Government Code Section 53753.

(Communication from the Bureau of Street Lighting adopted on December 12, 2008)

**Roll Call #1 - Motion (Cardenas - Reyes) Adopted to Continue, Unanimous Vote (10); Absent: Greuel, Huizar, LaBonge, Parks and Perry (5)
(Item Nos. 15-16)**

ITEM NO. (15) - CONTINUED TO JANUARY 13, 2009

[08-0351](#)

CONTINUED CONSIDERATION OF EDUCATION AND NEIGHBORHOODS COMMITTEE REPORT relative to requiring members of Neighborhood Councils that participate in the filing of Neighborhood Council files to file a financial disclosure form.

Recommendation for Council action, as initiated by Motion (Smith - Garcetti):

AMEND the prior Council action in Council file No. 08-0351 to read as follows:

APPROVE that the City shall facilitate the filing of Council files by Neighborhood Councils with the following provisions:

- a. This shall be a two-year pilot project.
- b. Neighborhood Councils may submit up to three Council files per calendar year.
- c. A Council file submission requires the support of a second Neighborhood Council.
- d. These files will be identified as Neighborhood Council Files.
- e. No financial disclosure form shall be required of the members of a Neighborhood Council participating in the filing of a Neighborhood Council File.

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

Community Impact Statement: Yes*

General Comments: Greater Valley Glen Neighborhood Council

(Continued from Council meeting of December 3, 2008)

ITEM NO. (16) - CONTINUED TO JANUARY 13, 2009

[08-0942](#)

CONTINUED CONSIDERATION OF EDUCATION AND NEIGHBORHOODS COMMITTEE REPORT relative to procedures and guidelines for submitting Neighborhood Council Files.

Recommendations for Council action:

1. APPROVE the submission process for Neighborhood Councils to initiate Council Files, including:

- a. Completing a Neighborhood Council File Submission Sheet and attaching documentation of the Neighborhood Council Board Action (Resolution or Minutes).
 - b. Filing the completed Neighborhood Council File Submission Sheet and attachments with the City Clerk.
2. INSTRUCT the City Clerk to create a Neighborhood Council File only when all of the above required criteria have been verified, and refer the matter to the appropriate City Council Committee for consideration, consistent with established referral procedures.
 3. INSTRUCT the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment (DONE) to provide the training and resources to facilitate this activity as much as possible.
 4. INSTRUCT the City Clerk, DONE, and the Ethics Commission to report back in six months with a status report on the Neighborhood Council File pilot project.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The City Clerk reports that there is no negative fiscal impact to the General Fund associated with the above actions.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

(Continued from Council meeting of December 3, 2008)

**Roll Call #2 - Motion (Cardenas - Reyes) Adopted, Ayes (10); Absent: Greuel, Huizar, LaBonge, Parks and Perry (5)
(Item Nos. 17-18)**

ITEM NO. (17) - ADOPTED

[07-0409-S3](#)

HOUSING, COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) Quarterly Land Acquisition Fund Activity Report dated October 29, 2008.

Recommendation for Council action:

NOTE and FILE the CRA Quarterly Land Acquisition Fund Activity Report dated October 29, 2008, 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. (18) - ADOPTED

[08-2684](#)

CD 7

HOUSING, COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT relative to amending the contract authorization with SMWM, Inc., to contract with its successor entity, Perkins + Will, for a one-year term in an amount not to exceed \$1 million, for the preparation of a Strategic Plan and Visioning Project.

Recommendation for Council action:

AUTHORIZE the Chief Executive Officer, Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA), or designee, to amend the contract authorization approved for SMWM, Inc. (and its consultant team), to contract with its successor entity, Perkins + Will, for a one-year term in an amount not to exceed \$1 million, for the preparation of a Strategic Plan and Visioning Project in the Earthquake Disaster Assistance Project for Portions of Council District Seven, subject to the review of the City Attorney as to form and legality.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The CRA reports that there is no fiscal impact to the City's General Fund as a result of this action.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

ITEM NO. (19) - CONTINUED TO JANUARY 13, 2009

Roll Call #1 - Motion (Cardenas - Reyes) Adopted to Continue, Unanimous Vote (10); Absent: Greuel, Huizar, LaBonge, Parks and Perry (5)

[08-2685](#)

CD 15

HOUSING, COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT relative to a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) and the Harbor Department for the joint development of a Caltrans site located at 537 Beacon Street.

Recommendation for Council action:

AUTHORIZE the Chief Executive Officer, CRA, or designee, to:

- a. Negotiate and execute an MOU with the Harbor Department, for collaboration on a Request for Qualifications and/or Request for Proposals for a joint redevelopment project at the Caltrans site located at 537 Beacon Street within the Pacific Corridor Redevelopment Project Area (PCRPA), subject to the review of the City Attorney as to form and legality.
- b. Expend funds in an amount not to exceed \$100,000 in PCRPA tax increment for activities related to the MOU.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The Chief Legislative Analyst reports that there is no General Fund impact as a result of this action.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

**Roll Call #2 - Motion (Cardenas - Reyes) Adopted, Ayes (10); Absent: Greuel, Huizar, LaBonge, Parks and Perry (5)
(Item Nos. 20-24)**

ITEM NO. (20) - ADOPTED

[08-2722](#)

HOUSING, COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT relative to a policy statement regarding tenant protections for Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) in-place rehabilitation of residential developments.

Recommendations for Council action:

1. RECEIVE and FILE the CRA report dated October 2, 2008, relative to a proposed CRA Board of Commissioners policy statement (Revised Attachment A of the CRA report dated October 2, 2008) regarding tenant protections for CRA in-place rehabilitation of residential developments.
2. INSTRUCT the CRA to work with the Los Angeles Housing Department, the Department of Building and Safety, and the Los Angeles Fire Department to develop in-place rehabilitation policies for residential developments and report back to Council with procedures for adoption.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The CRA reports that there is no fiscal impact to the City's General Fund.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

ITEM NO. (21) - ADOPTED

[08-3007-S1](#)

HOUSING, COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the first quarter status of Fiscal Year (FY) 2008-09 Assembly Bill (AB) 1290 funds.

Recommendation for Council action:

NOTE and FILE the Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) report dated November 20, 2008, relative to the first quarter status of FY 2008-09 AB 1290 funds, 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. (22) - ADOPTED

[08-3081](#)

HOUSING, COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the 35th Program Year (PY35) of the Housing and Community Development Consolidated Plan - Second Year Action Plan (Action Plan).

Recommendation for Council action:

RECEIVE and FILE the communication from the Mayor, relative to the PY35 Action Plan, inasmuch as the letter is submitted for information only and no Council action is necessary.

Fiscal Impact Statement: Not applicable.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

ITEM NO. (23) - ADOPTED

[08-3208](#)

ADMINISTRATIVE EXEMPTION and TRADE, COMMERCE, AND TOURISM COMMITTEE REPORT relative to amending Los Angeles World Airports (LAWA) contract with HNTB Corporation to work on projects associated with the Southside Airfield Improvement Program (SAIP) at the Los Angeles Airport (LAX).

Recommendations for Council action:

1. FIND that the proposed Sixth Amendment is exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), as provided by Article II, Section 2(i) of the City's CEQA Guidelines.
2. APPROVE the proposed Sixth Amendment to LAWA Contract (No. DA-3739) with HNTB Corporation, extending the contract term for one additional year to January 15, 2010, to continue design and construction administrative services for four projects within the SAIP at LAX.
3. CONCUR with the Board of Airport Commissioners action of November 17, 2008, Resolution No. 23657, authorizing the Executive Director, LAWA, to execute proposed Sixth Amendment with HNTB Corporation.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The City Administrative Officer reports that this action will not impact the General Fund. Approval of the proposed contract amendment will not increase the contract cost of approximately \$16.9 million which has been funded through the LAWA budget. Since LAWA is only bound by City debt management policies, City financial policies are not applicable.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

TIME LIMIT FILE - JANUARY 24, 2009

(LAST DAY FOR COUNCIL ACTION - JANUARY 23, 2009)

ITEM NO. (24) - ADOPTED

[06-2032](#)

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE REPORT relative to a follow-up to the Congestion Management Program 2008 Local Development Report.

Recommendation for Council action:

RECEIVE and FILE the Los Angeles Department of Transportation report dated November 21, 2008 relative to a follow-up to the Congestion Management Program 2008 Local Development Report 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. (25) - ADOPTED, AS AMENDED - SEE FOLLOWING

Roll Call #10 - Motion (Reyes - Greuel) to Adopt as Amended, Ayes (14); Absent: Wesson (1)

[07-0046-S1](#)

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE REPORT relative to parking meter technology program update.

Recommendations for Council action:

1. RECEIVE and FILE the Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT) report dated December 3, 2008, inasmuch as the report is submitted for information only and no Council action is necessary.
2. INSTRUCT the LADOT to report back in 60 days.

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

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

ADOPTED

AMENDING MOTION (REYES - GREUEL)

Recommendation for Council action:

INSTRUCT the City Administrative Officer to report back in three months with a detailed report relative to the increase in parking meter rates. The report should include, but not be limited to, the following:

- a. **Where and when the parking meter rates were increased.**
- b. **The variables used to determine where and how rates were to be changed.**
- c. **Any affects the new increased parking meter rates are having on the City's retail sales tax revenue.**
- d. **If the new increased parking meter rates are affecting businesses in the surrounding communities.**

ADOPTED

AMENDING MOTION (LABONGE - HAHN)

Recommendation for Council action:

INSTRUCT the Los Angeles Department of Transportation to immediately notify Neighborhood Council's when parking meter rates will be increased.

**Roll Call #2 - Motion (Cardenas - Reyes) Adopted, Ayes (10); Absent: Greuel, Huizar, LaBonge, Parks and Perry (5)
(Item Nos. 26-29)**

ITEM NO. (26) - ADOPTED

[08-0832](#)

CD 2

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the scope of work to be addressed in the Request for Proposals for the Studio City parking structure.

Recommendations for Council action:

1. APPROVE the Scope of Work, contained in the Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT) report dated December 2, 2008, which details the tasks and responsibilities to be addressed in a Request for Proposals (RFP) to explore alternative green uses for the Studio City parking structure.
2. AUTHORIZE the General Manager, LADOT, to negotiate and execute a contract with the selected bidder, subject to approval by the Board of Transportation Commissioners and the City Attorney as to form and legality.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The LADOT reports that there is no fiscal impact to the General Fund. Funding will come from the Special Parking Revenue Fund (Fund No. 363/94). Full estimated costs for the conduct of the Scope of Work will not be known until after proposals are received in response to the RFP.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

ITEM NO. (27) - ADOPTED

[08-2466](#)

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the development of a plan for programming the funds from Measure R, one-half cent sales tax for transportation projects.

Recommendations for Council action, as initiated by Motion (Greuel - Rosendahl):

1. DIRECT the Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT), as a lead agency, to work with the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transit Authority (MTA) on any issues that may arise regarding the distribution of funds from Measure R funds.
2. INSTRUCT the LADOT, as a lead agency, to work with the Chief Legislative Analyst, City Administrative Officer, Department of Public Works, and other departments that may have eligible projects to develop a plan for programming the funds.
3. DIRECT the LADOT to report back in 60 days.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The LADOT reports that there is no impact to the General Fund.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

ITEM NO. (28) - ADOPTED

[08-2595](#)

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE REPORT relative to a status report on the Wilshire Boulevard Bus Lanes Project.

Recommendations for Council action:

1. RECEIVE and FILE the Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT) report dated December 4, 2008, inasmuch as the report is submitted for information only and no Council action is necessary.
2. INSTRUCT the LADOT to report back in 60 days.

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

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

ITEM NO. (29) - ADOPTED

[08-2916](#)

CD 5

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AND GENERAL SERVICES COMMITTEE REPORT and COMMUNICATION FROM CHAIR, ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE relative to the transfer of jurisdiction of 44 properties from the Department of General Services (GSD) to the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP).

Recommendations for Council action, pursuant to Motion (Weiss - Cardenas):

1. INSTRUCT the GSD to effectuate a transfer of jurisdiction of the 44 subject properties, as described in the Motion and attached to the Committee report, to the LADWP for \$525,000 to be utilized perpetually and exclusively as open space for the purpose of capturing storm water runoff for the benefit of the City of Los Angeles.

2. REQUEST the Board of Water and Power Commissioners to consider, approve, and accept the transfer of jurisdiction of the properties as detailed in the Motion, attached to the Committee report.

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

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

ITEM NO. (30) - ADOPTED

Roll Call #12 - Motion (Greuel - Reyes) Adopted, Ayes (14); Absent: Wesson (1)

[07-1894](#)

CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION, BUDGET AND FINANCE and INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AND GENERAL SERVICES COMMITTEES' REPORTS relative to a proposed initiative entitled "Own a Piece of Los Angeles."

A. INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AND GENERAL SERVICES COMMITTEE REPORT

Recommendations for Council action, as initiated by Motion (Greuel - Cardenas), SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR:

1. ADOPT the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) categorical exemption in State CEQA Guidelines section 15312 and City CEQA Guidelines, Article III, section 1(1) "Surplus Governmental Property Sales" for the sale of the parcels shown on Exhibit A of the September 29, 2008 GSD report, as attached to the Council file.
2. REQUEST the City Attorney to prepare and present an Ordinance amending certain sections in the Los Angeles Administrative Code (LAAC) and/or adding a new section to implement the "Own a Piece of LA" Initiative consistent with the September 29, 2008 Department of General Services (GSD) report, as attached to the Council file.
3. AUTHORIZE the General Manager, GSD, to review as to propriety and approve the direct sale of parcels listed in Exhibit A of the September 29, 2008 GSD report, as attached to the Council file, and any newly acquired future parcels meeting the description and definition of sliver/remnant parcels in the "Own a Piece of LA" Initiative for direct sale to adjoining owners.
4. DIRECT the Bureau of Engineering and City Planning Department to process and review parcels under this program expeditiously in accordance with the LAAC.
5. REQUEST the Controller's office to deposit the net proceeds of sales under this initiative to the General Fund unless otherwise restricted.

B. BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

Recommendations for Council action, as initiated by Motion (Greuel - Cardenas):

1. CONCUR with the recommendation of the Information Technology and General Services Committee to approve the recommendations contained in the Department of General Services (GSD) report dated September 29, 2008, relative to the "Own a Piece of LA" initiative.
2. INSTRUCT the GSD to report back to the Council in six months relative to the property sales and revenue generated from the "Own a Piece of LA" initiative.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The GSD reports that the initial sale of properties under this proposed process will generate one-time potential revenue to the General Fund of an estimated \$600,000 for Fiscal Year 2008-09. This projected revenue figure presupposes that the adjoining owners will purchase the sliver and/or remnant parcels at Asset Management Division's estimated sale price but does not take into account the need, if any, to reimburse any special funding source used to acquire these properties. Regardless of the final revenue amount that accrues to the General Fund, elimination of remnant properties from GSD portfolios is fiscally prudent. The GSD will realize potential savings by eliminating on-going maintenance and administrative expenses as well as the general liability exposure associated with property ownership.

Items for Which Public Hearings Have Not Been Held - Items 31-51

(10 Votes Required for Consideration)

ITEM NO. (31) - ADOPTED - FORTHWITH

Roll Call #6 - Motion (Greuel - Rosendahl) Adopted, Ayes (14); Absent: Alarcon (1)

[08-3216](#)

COMMUNICATION FROM THE MAYOR relative to the appointment of Ms. Andrea A. Alarcon to the Board of Taxicab Commissioners.

Recommendation for Council action:

RESOLVE that the Mayor's appointment of Ms. Andrea A. Alarcon to the Board of Taxicab Commissioners for term ending June 30, 2010 is APPROVED and CONFIRMED. Ms. Alarcon resides in Council District Seven. (Current commission gender composition: M = 3; F = 2)

Background Check Review: None submitted.

Ethics Commission Review: Pending.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

TIME LIMIT FILE - JANUARY 8, 2009

(LAST DAY FOR COUNCIL ACTION - JANUARY 7, 2009)

(Transportation Committee waived consideration of the above matter)

**Roll Call #5 - Motion (Cardenas - Greuel) Adopted, Ayes (15)
(Item Nos. 32-34)**

ITEM NO. (32) - ADOPTED

[08-3168](#)

CD 13

COMMUNICATION FROM THE BUREAU OF STREET LIGHTING and ORDINANCE OF INTENTION FIRST CONSIDERATION relative to establishing a hearing date for the maintenance of the Hollywood Boulevard and El Centro 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 November 20, 2008.
2. PRESENT and ADOPT the accompanying ORDINANCE OF INTENTION setting the date of **MARCH 10, 2009** as the hearing date for the maintenance of the Hollywood Boulevard and El Centro Avenue Lighting District, in accordance with Proposition 218, Articles XIII C and XIII D of the California Constitution and Government Code Section 53753.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The Bureau of Street Lighting reports that if adopted, \$2,750.47 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: March 2, 2009)

ITEM NO. (33) - ADOPTED

[08-3172](#)

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 Lankershim Boulevard and Weddington 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 20, 2008.
2. PRESENT and ADOPT the accompanying ORDINANCE OF INTENTION setting the date of **MARCH 10, 2009** as the hearing date for the maintenance of the Lankershim Boulevard and Weddington Street No. 1 Lighting District, in accordance with Proposition 218, Articles XIII C and XIII D of the California Constitution and Government Code Section 53753.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The Bureau of Street Lighting reports that if adopted, \$543.84 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: March 2, 2009)

ITEM NO. (34) - ADOPTED

[08-3175](#)

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 Camarillo Street and Denny Avenue 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 20, 2008.
2. PRESENT and ADOPT the accompanying ORDINANCE OF INTENTION setting the date of **MARCH 10, 2009** as the hearing date for the maintenance of the Camarillo Street and Denny Avenue 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, \$547.50 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: March 2, 2009)

**Roll Call #3 - Motion (Cardenas - Reyes) Adopted, Ayes (10); Absent: Greuel, Huizar, LaBonge, Parks and Perry (5)
(Item Nos. 35a-35k)**

ITEM NO. (35) - ADOPTED

[08-0005-S800](#)

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 December 30, 2008:

[08-0005-S800](#)

CD 2

- a. Property at 11567 Friar Street (Case No. 128706).
Assessor I.D. No. 2335026025

(Notice of Acceptance into the REAP/Rent Reduction Program was sent on December 6, 2007)

[08-0005-S801](#)

CD 6

- b. Property at 9247 Dorrington Avenue (Case No. 180718).
Assessor I.D. No. 2642028010

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

[08-0005-S802](#)

CD 15

- c. Property at 430 North Gulf Avenue (Case No. 101725).
Assessor I.D. No. 7417015019

(Notice of Acceptance into the REAP/Rent Reduction Program was sent on March 15, 2007)

[08-0005-S803](#)

CD 9

- d. Property at 874 West 43rd Street (Case No. 174712).
Assessor I.D. No. 5019007028

(Notice of Acceptance into the REAP/Rent Reduction Program was sent on April 17, 2008)

[08-0005-S804](#)

CD 10

- e. Property at 2030 South Eighth Avenue (Case No. 173827).
Assessor I.D. No. 5060018016

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

[08-0005-S805](#)

CD 13

- f. Property at 243 North Reno Street (Case No. 128493).
Assessor I.D. No. 5156012021

(Notice of Acceptance into the REAP/Rent Reduction Program was sent on January 31, 2008)

[08-0005-S806](#)

CD 13

- g. Property at 1918 West Delta Street (Case No. 159861).
Assessor I.D. No. 5419002008

(Notice of Acceptance into the REAP/Rent Reduction Program was sent on July 3, 2008)

[08-0005-S807](#)

CD 9

- h. Property at 1109 West Gage Avenue (Case No. 115487).
Assessor I.D. No. 6003029026

(Notice of Acceptance into the REAP/Rent Reduction Program was sent on June 7, 2007)

[08-0005-S808](#)

CD 11

- i. Property at 1909 South Canal Street (Case No. 126310).
Assessor I.D. No. 4238022021

(Notice of Acceptance into the REAP/Rent Reduction Program was sent on August 30, 2007)

[08-0005-S809](#)

CD 14

- j. Property at 2751 East Winter Street (Case No. 7136).
Assessor I.D. No. 5177019012

(Notice of Acceptance into the REAP/Rent Reduction Program was sent on December 16, 2003)

[08-0005-S810](#)

CD 10

- k. Property at 2801 Arlington Avenue (Case No. 8484).
Assessor I.D. No. 5052010019

(Notice of Acceptance into the REAP/Rent Reduction Program was sent on June 30, 2005)

ITEM NO. (36) - ADOPTED

Roll Call #8 - Motion (Perry - Weiss) Adopted, Ayes (14); Absent: Wesson (1)

[08-3202](#)

COMMUNICATION FROM CHAIR, ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE relative to the first amendment to a contract with GeoSyntec Consultants (GeoSyntec) for engineering and specialized services related to final closure of the Lopez Canyon Landfill restoration project and the Sheldon-Arleta Landfill enhanced gas migration control project.

Recommendation for Council action:

AUTHORIZE the Board of Public Works to execute a first amendment to Contract 105800 with GeoSyntec for engineering and specialized services relating to final closure of the Lopez Canyon Landfill restoration project and implementation of a pilot study for enhanced landfill gas migration control at the Sheldon-Arleta Landfill to restore recharge capacity at the Tujunga Spreading Grounds, amending the term of the five-year contract by three years effective October 21, 2008, for a total of eight years, with no change in the scope of work or increase to the cost ceiling.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The City Administrative Officer reports that there is no General Fund impact. Funding is provided by the Landfill Closure and Post Closure Maintenance Trust Fund for a total contract ceiling of \$2.4 million. This action complies with City Financial Policies in that sufficient revenue is identified to support these costs. The proposed amendment addresses an extension of time only to complete the scope of work within budgeted funds.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

ITEM NO. (37) - CONTINUED TO JANUARY 13, 2009

Roll Call #1 - Motion (Cardenas - Reyes) Adopted to Continue, Unanimous Vote (10); Absent: Greuel, Huizar, LaBonge, Parks and Perry (5)

[08-0351](#)

CONTINUED CONSIDERATION OF COMMUNICATION FROM THE BOARD OF NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSIONERS (BONC) regarding Neighborhood Council Financial Disclosure Forms.

Recommendations for Council action:

1. APPROVE the implementation of a system-wide, mandatory conflict of interest ethics training for all Neighborhood Councils, with repercussions and consequences to individual board members in non-compliance, the specifics of which will be deliberated, determined and made public at a later date.
2. REQUIRE Neighborhood Council board members to file a modified Form 52 financial disclosure document that details information on their own, as well as their spouse or registered domestic partner's current or past employment, and any gifts, and any real estate holdings or business interests that only pertain specifically to the Neighborhood Council File in question in order to open a Neighborhood Council File.

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

Community Impact Statement: Yes*

General Comments: Greater Valley Glen Neighborhood Council

(Education and Neighborhoods Committee waived consideration of the above matter)

(Continued from meeting of December 3, 2008)

**Roll Call #3 - Motion (Cardenas - Reyes) Adopted, Ayes (10); Absent: Greuel, Huizar, LaBonge, Parks and Perry (5)
(Item Nos. 38-39)**

ITEM NO. (38) - ADOPTED

[05-2763-S1](#)

CD 9

CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION, COMMUNICATION FROM THE CITY ENGINEER and RESOLUTION TO VACATE relative to the vacation of the alley easterly of Compton Avenue from 46th Street to its northerly terminus (VAC E1401036).

Recommendations for Council action:

1. REAFFIRM the FINDINGS of September 11, 2007, that the vacation of the alley easterly of Compton Avenue from 46th Street to its northerly terminus, is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act of 1970, pursuant to Article III, Class 5(3) of the City of Los Angeles Environmental Guidelines.
2. REAFFIRM the FINDINGS of September 11, 2007, that this vacation is in substantial conformance with the General Plan pursuant to Section 556 of the Los Angeles City Charter.
3. ADOPT the accompanying RESOLUTION TO VACATE NO. 08-1401036R for the vacation of the alley easterly of Compton Avenue from 46th Street to its northerly terminus.
4. INSTRUCT the City Clerk to transmit, following Council adoption, Resolution to Vacate No. 08-1401036R to the Land Development Group of the Bureau of Engineering for recordation of said Resolution with the Los Angeles County Recorder.

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

ITEM NO. (39) - ADOPTED

[08-3264](#)

CD 4

CONSIDERATION OF MOTION (LABONGE - GREUEL) relative to reimbursement for a new traffic signal installed at Cahuenga Boulevard and Odin Street.

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

1. AUTHORIZE the Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT) to:
 - a. Enter into a cooperative agreement with Caltrans to construct a traffic signal at the northbound US 101 off-ramp at Cahuenga Boulevard and Odin Street.
 - b. Accept \$120,000 from Caltrans to be deposited into LADOT Trust Fund No. 840/94, to be transferred and appropriated to General Fund No. 100/94, Account No. 1090 (Salaries - Overtime) for the above mentioned traffic signal.
2. AUTHORIZE the City Administrative Officer to make technical corrections, as necessary, to implement the Council's intentions.

(Transportation Committee waived consideration of the above matter)

**Roll Call #11 - Motion (Parks - Rosendahl) Adopted, Ayes (14); Absent: Wesson (1)
(Item Nos. 40a-40cc)**

ITEM NO. (40) - ADOPTED

[08-3434](#)

et al. MOTIONS relative to "Special Events" to be held in the various Council Districts.

Recommendations for Council action:

DECLARE the following community events as "Special Events"; APPROVE any temporary street closures as requested; and, INSTRUCT the involved City departments to perform such services as detailed the Council motions attached to the various listed Council files, including the waiver of fees, costs and requirements and other related issues, as specified:

[08-3434](#)

CD 11

- a. MOTION (ROSENDAHL - HAHN) relative to declaring the Ninth Annual Westchester, Playa del Rey & Marina Del Rey Holiday Parade on December 14, 2008 a Special Event (fees and costs absorbed by the City = \$5,806).

[08-3435](#)

CD 8

- b. MOTION (PARKS - HUIZAR) relative to declaring the Second Annual Spirit of Giving Dinner on December 20, 2008 a Special Event (fees and costs absorbed by the City = \$4,484).

[07-3739-S1](#)

CD 9

- c. MOTION (PERRY - ROSENDAHL) relative to declaring the Christmas in Hope Central on December 24, 2008 a Special Event (fees and costs absorbed by the City = \$1,226).

[06-0224-S1](#)

CD 9

- d. MOTION (PERRY - PARKS) relative to declaring the Central Avenue Jazz Festival on July 25-26, 2009 a Special Event (fees and costs absorbed by the City = \$30,000).

[08-3438](#)

CD 9

- e. MOTION (PERRY - GARCETTI) relative to declaring the Art of Elysium on January 10, 2009 a Special Event (the event sponsor shall reimburse the City for all fees and costs associated with this event).

[08-3427](#)

CD 9

- f. MOTION (PERRY - PARKS) relative to declaring the 39th Annual Blue Ribbon Children's Festival on March 18-20, 2009 a Special Event (fees and costs absorbed by the City = \$5,675).

[06-0686-S1](#)

CD 9

- g. MOTION (PERRY - ROSENDAHL) relative to declaring the 30th Annual Very Special Arts Festival on April 29, 2009 a Special Event (fees and costs absorbed by the City = \$3,002).

[07-0855-S1](#)

CD 9

- h. MOTION (PERRY - GARCETTI) relative to declaring the 12th Annual City of Angels Fun Ride on April 26, 2009 a Special Event (fees and costs absorbed by the City = none submitted).

[08-3440](#)

CD 1

- i. MOTION (REYES - PERRY) relative to declaring the Salvadoran Christmas Parade on December 20, 2008 a Special Event (fees and costs absorbed by the City = \$2,500).

[08-3395-S1](#)

CD 1

- j. MOTION (REYES - PERRY) relative to declaring the Annual Toy Giveaway on December 19, 2008 a Special Event (fees and costs absorbed by the City = \$2,750).

[06-2933-S1](#)

CD 4

- k. MOTION (LABONGE - GARCETTI) relative to declaring the Holiday Trombone Extravaganza on December 19, 2008 a Special Event (fees and costs absorbed by the City = none submitted).

[08-0307-S1](#)

CD 4

- l. MOTION (LABONGE - PERRY) relative to declaring the Los Angeles St. Patrick's Day Parade on March 17, 2009 a Special Event (fees and costs absorbed by the City = \$5,000).

[08-3444](#)

CD 13

- m. MOTION (GARCETTI - GREUEL) relative to declaring the Rock and Roll Affair on December 16, 2008 a Special Event (the event sponsor shall reimburse the City for all fees and costs associated with this event).

[08-3445](#)

CD 13

- n. MOTION (GARCETTI - GREUEL) relative to declaring the Beso New Year's Eve on December 31, 2008 a Special Event (the event sponsor shall reimburse the City for all fees and costs associated with this event).

[08-3446](#)

CD 13

- o. MOTION (GARCETTI - GREUEL) relative to declaring the Paramount Pictures New Year's Eve Event on December 31, 2008 a Special Event (the event sponsor shall reimburse the City for all fees and costs associated with this event).

[08-3299-S1](#)

CD 9

- p. MOTION (PERRY - GARCETTI) relative to declaring the Mammography and Early Intervention Programs on January 13 and 20, 2009; February 5, February 10, and February 28, 2009; March 5, and March 10, 2009 a Special Event (fees and costs absorbed by the City = \$1,080).

[07-4128-S1](#)

CD 8

- q. MOTION (PARKS - HUIZAR) relative to declaring the Kwanzaa Heritage Parade and Festival on December 27, 2008 a Special Event (fees and costs absorbed by the City = \$3,732).

[07-0797-S1](#)

CD 2

- r. MOTION (GREUEL - GARCETTI) relative to declaring the St. Francis De Sales School Fair on May 1-3, 2009 a Special Event (fees and costs absorbed by the City = \$5,329).

[07-3891-S1](#)

CD 14

- s. MOTION (HUIZAR - PARKS) relative to declaring the We Care E.L.A. on December 20, 2008 a Special Event (fees and costs absorbed by the City = \$1,642).

[08-3447](#)

CD 14

- t. MOTION (HUIZAR - LABONGE) relative to declaring the Council District 14 Winter Street Posada on December 20, 2008 a Special Event (fees and costs absorbed by the City = \$2,048).

[07-4121-S1](#)

CD 9

- u. MOTION (PERRY - GARCETTI) relative to declaring the Eighth Annual 21+ New Year's Eve Celebration Giant Maximus on December 31, 2008 a Special Event (the event sponsor shall reimburse the City for all fees and costs associated with this event).

[08-3449](#)

CD 10

- v. MOTION (WESSON - ZINE) relative to declaring the Wilshire Vista Heights Holiday Party on December 14, 2008 a Special Event (fees and costs absorbed by the City = \$1,642).

[08-0035-S1](#)

CD 13

- w. MOTION (GARCETTI - PERRY) relative to declaring the Guitar Center Drum Off on January 10, 2009 a Special Event (the event sponsor shall reimburse the City for all fees and costs associated with this event).

[08-3451](#)

CD 5

- x. MOTION (WEISS - GARCETTI) relative to declaring the Valkrie Opening on December 18, 2008 a Special Event (the event sponsor shall reimburse the City for all fees and costs associated with this event).

[06-2814-S1](#)

CD 5

- y. MOTION (WEISS - GREUEL) relative to declaring the Chanukah Parade on December 23, 2008 a Special Event (fees and costs absorbed by the City = \$2,510).

[07-0167-S1](#)

CD 4

- z. MOTION (LABONGE - GREUEL) relative to declaring the Bangladesh Day Celebration & Parade 2009 on March 28-29, 2009 a Special Event (fees and costs absorbed by the City = \$19,515).

[08-3454](#)

CD 8

- aa. MOTION (PARKS - PERRY) relative to declaring the Christmas Toy Giveaway on December 24, 2008 a Special Event (fees and costs absorbed by the City = \$3,396).

[08-3453](#)

CD 8

- bb. MOTION (PARKS - PERRY) relative to declaring the Kwanzaa People of Color Parade & Festival on December 26, 2008 a Special Event (fees and costs absorbed by the City = \$5,896).

[08-0222-S1](#)

CD 14

- cc. MOTION (HUIZAR - HAHN) relative to declaring the Eagle Rock Farmers' Market on Friday evenings from December 5, 2008 to May 31, 2009 a Special Event (fees and costs absorbed by the City = \$13,642).

**Roll Call #3 - Motion (Cardenas - Reyes) Adopted, Ayes (10); Absent: Greuel, Huizar, LaBonge, Parks and Perry (5)
(Item Nos. 41-42)**

ITEM NO. (41) - ADOPTED

[08-3439](#)

CD 5

MOTION (ROSENDAHL - WEISS) relative to initiating alley vacation proceedings to vacate Laurel Avenue and Third Street Vacation District.

Recommendations for Council action:

1. INITIATE alley vacation proceedings, pursuant to California Streets and Highways Code, Division 9, Part 3, Public Streets, Highways and Service Easements Vacation Law to vacate Laurel Avenue and Third Street Vacation District.
2. DIRECT the Bureau of Engineering to investigate the feasibility of this vacation request.
3. DIRECT the Bureau of Engineering to present its report regarding the feasibility of vacating the requested areas to the Public Works Committee.

4. DIRECT the City Clerk to schedule this request for the City Councils consideration at the appropriate time under the Citys Street Vacation procedures.

ITEM NO. (42) - ADOPTED

[06-1599-S1](#)

CD 4

MOTION (LABONGE - HUIZAR) relative to a special event declaration for the Toluca Lake Certified Farmers' Market.

Recommendation for Council action:

REAFFIRM the action of January 19, 2007 (Council file No. 06-1599) relative to the Special Event declaration for the Toluca Lake Certified Farmers' Market and readopt the fee waiver, street closure, departmental instructions, and other provisions contained therein for one year from the date of expiration of the current one year period.

ITEM NO. (43) - ADOPTED

Roll Call #13 - Motion (LaBonge - Cardenas) Adopted, Ayes (14); Absent: Wesson (1)

[08-3448](#)

MOTION (PERRY - GARCETTI) relative to holiday symbols in the City Hall rotunda.

Recommendation for Council action:

DIRECT the Department of General Services to erect in the City Hall rotunda during the December holiday season a Christmas tree as well as to display appropriately any other symbols of holidays celebrated during this time, such as Hanukkah, Kwanzaa, Las Posadas, Ramadan and others.

ITEM NO. (44) - ADOPTED

Roll Call #3 - Motion (Cardenas - Reyes) Adopted, Ayes (10); Absent: Greuel, Huizar, LaBonge, Parks and Perry (5)

[08-0508-S1](#)

CDs 9 & 14

MOTION (HUIZAR - PERRY - PARKS) relative to funding for the First Street Viaduct and Street Widening Project.

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

1. TRANSFER \$2,500,000 in front funding from the Transportation Grant Fund No. 655, Valley Boulevard Grade Separation Project Account No. 803 to the Proposition C Anti-Gridlock Transit Fund No. 540, Transportation Grant Fund Work Program Account No. E655 and increase the Fiscal Year 2008-09 appropriation for the Proposition C Anti-Gridlock Transit Fund No. 540, Transportation Grant Fund Work Program Account No. E655 by \$2,500,000.

2. TRANSFER \$2,500,000 for front funding from Proposition C Anti-Gridlock Transit Fund No. 540, Transportation Grant Fund Work Program Account No. E655 to Transportation Grant Fund No. 655, First Street Viaduct Widening Project Account No. A809.
3. AUTHORIZE the Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT) to bill Caltrans and receive Highway Bridge Program (HBP) reimbursements and deposit HBP reimbursements into Transportation Grant Fund No. 655, First Street Viaduct Widening Project Account No. A809.
4. AUTHORIZE the LADOT, upon notification from the Bureau of Engineering (BOE) that construction of the First Street Viaduct Widening Project has been completed, to return \$2,500,000 in front funding to Proposition C Anti-Gridlock Transit Fund No. 540, Transportation Grant Fund Work Program Account No. E655.
5. INSTRUCT the BOE project manager of the First Street Viaduct Widening Project to submit monthly invoices to all funding agencies to ensure that reimbursements to the City are received in a timely manner.
6. AUTHORIZE the City Administrative Officer to make technical corrections as necessary to implement the Council's intention.

ITEM NO. (45) - ADOPTED

Roll Call #14 - Motion (Reyes - Zine) Adopted, Ayes (14); Absent: Wesson (1)

[08-3450](#)

MOTION (LABONGE - GREUEL) relative to usage of a City vehicle in conjunction with inspections of facilities.

Recommendation for Council action:

AUTHORIZE Councilmember Tom LaBonge to use his assigned City vehicle, or any other City vehicle, in conjunction with inspections of facilities in Marin, San Francisco, Sacramento, and Alameda Counties, California scheduled to take place between December 27 and 30, 2008 (or on any other dates to which this effort may be rescheduled.)

ITEM NO. (46) - ADOPTED

Roll Call #3 - Motion (Cardenas - Reyes) Adopted, Ayes (10); Absent: Greuel, Huizar, LaBonge, Parks and Perry (5)

[06-0013-S1](#)

MOTION (LABONGE - PERRY) relative to the All City Employee Benefits Service Association (ACEBSA) Annual ACEBSA Celebration in the Civic Center Mall.

Recommendation for Council action:

AUTHORIZE the ACEBSA to use the City Hall Mall, Space 15 and 17, (store front area across from CVS Pharmacy) on Wednesday, December 24, 2008 from 8 am to 12 noon, with the understanding that Council District Four will reimburse the City for all costs associated with this event.

ITEM NO. (47) - ADOPTED

Roll Call #15 - Motion (LaBonge - Parks) Adopted, Ayes (14); Absent: Wesson (1)

[08-0011-S55](#)

CD 9

MOTION (PERRY - ALARCON) relative to funding for enhancing constituent services in Council District Nine.

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

1. TRANSFER \$24,000 in Council District Nine Real Property Trust Fund No. 691 to the Council District Nine portion of Council Fund No. 100/28, Account No. 1010 (Salaries - General) to provide funding for additional staff for enhancing constituent services in Council District Nine.
2. TRANSFER \$49,000 in the Council District Nine portion of the Street Furniture Revenue Fund No. 43D/50 to the Council District Nine portion of Council Fund No. 100/28, Account No. 1010 (Salaries - General) to provide funding for enhanced efforts relative to transit related projects, sidewalk projects, curb/sidewalk improvements and all expenses relating or incidental thereto in Council District Nine.
3. AUTHORIZE the City Clerk to make any technical corrections or clarifications to the above fund transfer instructions in order to effectuate the intent of the Motion.

**Roll Call #3 - Motion (Cardenas - Reyes) Adopted, Ayes (10); Absent: Greuel, Huizar, LaBonge, Parks and Perry (5)
(Item Nos. 48-51)**

ITEM NO. (48) - ADOPTED

[08-0623-S1](#)

CD 15

MOTION (HAHN - LABONGE) relative to funding for Council office services to support the community of Council District 15.

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

TRANSFER \$60,000 in the Council District 15 Real Property Trust Fund No. 697 to the Council District 15 portion of Council Fund No. 100/28, Account No. 1010 (Salaries - General) for additional Council office services and support to the community of Council District 15.

ITEM NO. (49) - ADOPTED

[08-3436](#)

CD 11

MOTION (ROSENDAHL - REYES) relative to asserting jurisdiction over the West Los Angeles Area Planning Commission (APC) failure to take action (Letter of Determination date: December 12, 2008).

Recommendations for Council action:

1. ASSERT jurisdiction, pursuant to Section 245 of the Los Angeles City Charter, over the November 19, 2008 (Letter of Determination date: December 12, 2008) West Los Angeles APC failure to take action, and therefore, effective denial of the appeal, in the matter of an Appeal of Case No. AA-2008-2392-PMLA (2116-20 Federal Avenue, Los Angeles, 90025).
2. REFER this matter to the Planning and Land Use Management Committee for further review, upon assertion of jurisdiction.

TIME LIMIT FILE - JANUARY 9, 2009

(LAST DAY FOR COUNCIL ACTION - JANUARY 9, 2009)

10 VOTES REQUIRED

ITEM NO. (50) - ADOPTED

[07-0600-S77](#)

CD 8

MOTION (PARKS - PERRY) relative to amending Council action of April 2, 2008 in connection with allocating \$50,000 in Heritage Month funds to the African Marketplace.

Recommendation for Council action, SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR:
AMEND Council action of April 2, 2008 relative to allocating \$50, 000 in Heritage Month funds to the African Marketplace (Council file No. 07-0600-S77) to condition this allocation upon the payment, or other satisfactory resolution, of any fees and charges owed to City departments for services associated with the African Marketplace; and further, INSTRUCT and AUTHORIZE the City Clerk to make commensurate reductions, as appropriate, in any payments to the African Marketplace in order to make sure that any outstanding City fees and costs associated with this activity have been paid.

ITEM NO. (51) - ADOPTED

[08-3122](#)

CD 11

MOTION (ROSENDAHL - GARCETTI) relative to amending Council action of November 25, 2008 in connection with the Chanuka Carnival Special Event declaration.

Recommendation for Council action:

AMEND Council action of November 25, 2008 in connection with declaring the Chanuka Carnival a Special Event to reflect the actual date of the event to be December 21, 2008 and to delete the fifth paragraph contained in the Motion and ADOPT the following in lieu:

"I FURTHER MOVE that pursuant to Ordinance No. 150567 relating to temporary street closures, the following streets be closed on December 21, 2008, from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., subject to the supervision of the Director of the Bureau of Street Services:

Monument Street between Bashford Street and Sunset Boulevard."

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

[08-0202-S1](#)

MOTION (ROSENDAHL - CARDENAS) relative to declaring the 2009 Northern Trust Open on February 16-22, 2009 a Special Event (fees and costs absorbed by the City = \$23,174).

[09-0030](#)

MOTION (PERRY - REYES) relative to declaring the 51st Annual Grammy Awards on February 8, 2009 a Special Event (fees and costs absorbed by the City = \$124,163).

[07-2647-S2](#)

MOTION (PERRY - PARKS) relative to declaring the Trinity Street Block Party on January 10, 2009 a Special Event (fees and costs absorbed by the City = \$1,670).

[09-0027](#)

MOTION (PERRY - PARKS) relative to declaring the Light of the Angels Strike Days on January 2, 2009 a Special Event (fees and costs absorbed by the City = \$350).

[09-0028](#)

MOTION (PERRY - REYES) relative to declaring the Second Annual Walk For Wishes on June 6, 2009 a Special Event (fees and costs absorbed by the City = \$2,800).

[07-0560-S1](#)

MOTION (ZINE - PERRY) relative to declaring the Fourth of July Fireworks Show and Concert on July 4, 2009 a Special Event (fees and costs absorbed by the City = \$12,424).

[08-1196-S1](#)

MOTION (ZINE - ROSENDAHL) relative to declaring the 34th Season of Concerts in the Park on Sundays from May 31, 2009 through August 30, 2009 a Special Event (fees and costs absorbed by the City = \$4,600).

[07-1010-S1](#)

MOTION (ZINE - ROSENDAHL) relative to declaring the 21st Annual Canoga Park Memorial Parade on May 25, 2009 a Special Event (fees and costs absorbed by the City = \$16,125).

[09-0038](#)

MOTION (ZINE - PERRY) relative to declaring the Dia De Los Muertos Festival Event on November 1, 2009 a Special Event (fees and costs absorbed by the City = \$8,404).

[07-2046-S1](#)

MOTION (HUIZAR - REYES) relative to a request for an exemption from the Convention Center fee waiver policy for the Third Anniversary of March 25th Full Rights of Immigrants March and Rally on April 4, 2009.

[09-0010](#)

MOTION (HUIZAR - PARKS) relative to an offer of reward for information leading to the identification, apprehension, and conviction of the person(s) responsible for the death of Francisco Pedraza on October 24, 2008.

[09-0029](#)

MOTION (ROSENDAHL - LABONGE) relative to initiating street vacation proceedings to vacate Colorado Boulevard between San Fernando Road West and Golden State Freeway.

[08-0044-S1](#)

MOTION (ZINE - SMITH) relative to approval to lease office space for the Reseda Neighborhood Council at 18341 Sherman Way, Suite 102, Reseda, CA 91335.

RESOLUTIONS PRESENTED PURSUANT TO RULE NO. 16 - TO BE PLACED ON THE NEXT AVAILABLE AGENDA

[09-0041](#)

RESOLUTION (PERRY - GARCETTI) relative to Homeless Count Week 2009 January 26-30, 2009.

COUNCILMEMBERS' REQUESTS FOR EXCUSE FROM COUNCIL MEETINGS

Upon his request, and without objections, Councilmember Cardenas was excused to leave at 11:00 a.m. from Council session of Friday, January 30, 2009 due to City Business.

Upon his request, and without objections, Councilmember Smith was excused from Council sessions of Friday, January 23, 2009, Friday, June 26, 2009 and Wednesday, September 16, 2009 all due to City Business.

Upon his request, and without objections, Councilmember Huizar was excused from Council sessions of Friday, April 3, 2009, and Friday, June 26, 2009 both due to City Business.

Upon her request, and without objections, Councilmember Greuel was excused from Council session of Wednesday, January 14, 2009 due to City Business.

Upon her request, and without objections, Councilmember Greuel was excused from Council sessions of Tuesday, February 24, Wednesday, February 25, Friday, February 27 and Tuesday, March 3, 2009 all due to Personal Business.

Upon his request, and without objections, Councilmember Parks was excused to leave at 11:30 a.m. from Council session of Wednesday, February 11, 2009 due to City Business.

Upon his request, and without objections, Councilmember Reyes was excused from Council session of Wednesday, January 7, 2009 due to City Business.

Upon his request, and without objections, Council President Garcetti was excused to arrive at 10:30 a.m. to Council session of Friday, January 9, 2009 due to City Business.

Upon his request, and without objections, Councilmember Rosendahl was excused from Council session of Wednesday, January 7, 2009 due to City Business.

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

08-2604 - Bernard Hamilton	Wesson
Herbert E. Rostand	Greuel
Jay Davis	Smith
Father Roger Luna	Huizar - All Councilmembers
Bob Murray	LaBonge - All Councilmembers
Ronald A. Lange	LaBonge - All Councilmembers
Jett Travolta	LaBonge - All Councilmembers
Zoe Ella Waizecker	LaBonge - All Councilmembers
Frederick Joseph Dumas	Parks - All Councilmembers
Frederick Dewayne Hubbard	Parks - Perry - Hahn
Robert Graham	Rosendahl - LaBonge - All Councilmembers

Ayes, Alarcon, Cardenas, Greuel, Hahn, Huizar, LaBonge, Parks, Perry, Reyes, Rosendahl, Smith, Weiss, Zine and President Garcetti (14); Absent: Wesson (1).

Whereupon the Council did adjourn.

ATTEST: Karen E. Kalfayan, CITY CLERK

By
Council Clerk
PRESIDENT OF THE CITY COUNCIL