

Los Angeles City Council, **Journal/Council Proceedings**
Thursday, **February 18, 2010**
John Ferraro Council Chamber, Room 340, City Hall - 10:00 am

- - - SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING - - -

10:00 A.M.

ROLL CALL - Members present: Alarcón, Cárdenas, Koretz, Krekorian, LaBonge, Parks, Reyes, Rosendahl, Smith and Zine (10); Absent: Hahn, Huizar, Perry, Wesson and President Garcetti (5)

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

Items for Which Public Hearings Have Been Held - Items 1-14

ITEM NO. (1) - ADOPTED, AS AMENDED - SEE FOLLOWING

**Roll Call #3 - Motion (Smith - Rosendahl) to Adopt as Amended, Ayes (10); Noes: Smith (1);
Absent: Hahn, Perry, Wesson and Zine (4)**

[09-0600-S159](#)

MOTION (KREKORIAN - HAHN - ET AL.) relative to directing the City Administrative Officer to study, with the appropriate stakeholders, the transfer of the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment or the Neighborhood Council Funding Program.

(Education and Neighborhoods Committee report to be submitted in Council. If public hearing is not held in Committee, an opportunity for public comment will be provided.)

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ADOPTED, AS AMENDED

EDUCATION AND NEIGHBORHOODS COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the transfer of the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment (DONE) or the Neighborhood Council (NC) Funding Program.

Recommendation for Council action, as initiated by Motion (Krekorian - Hahn - et al.):

REQUEST City Administrative Officer (CAO), City Attorney, Chief Legislative Analyst (CLA), and DONE, in consultation with Board of Neighborhood Commissioners (BONC) and NCs, to Education & Neighborhood report to committee in two weeks on the following options:

- a. Feasibility of a nonprofit taking over the Funding Program and cost savings;**
- b. Feasibility of making BONC a managing commission and moving DONE staff under the commission, and cost savings; and**
- c. Feasibility of transferring administration of the Funding Program the City Clerk, Community Development Department, or other city agency to manage funding program and cost savings.**

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

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

REFERRED TO EDUCATION AND NEIGHBORHOODS COMMITTEE

AMENDING MOTION (SMITH - ROSENDAHL)

Recommendations for Council action:

- 1. REQUEST the City Attorney to prepare and present an Ordinance repealing the existing Ordinance or Ordinances that authorize the City Clerk to conduct Neighborhood Council elections and return to the original system of conducting Neighborhood Council elections, with a sunset of two years.**
- 2. DIRECT the City Clerk to TRANSFER to the Reserve Fund the unspent and uncommitted portion of the \$1.9 million allocated for the City Clerk's conduct of Neighborhood Council elections.**

**Roll Call #4 - Motion (Krekorian - LaBonge) Adopted, Ayes (11); Absent: Hahn, Perry, Wesson and Zine (4)
(Item Nos. 2-5)**

ITEM NO. (2) - ADOPTED, AS AMENDED - SEE FOLLOWING

[09-0600-S159](#)

MOTION (KREKORIAN - HAHN - ET AL.) relative to eliminating the Neighborhood Council "rollover" policy and transferring all suspended "rollover" funds totaling \$1.61 million to the Reserve Fund.

(Education and Neighborhoods Committee report to be submitted in Council. If public hearing is not held in Committee, an opportunity for public comment will be provided.)

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ADOPTED, AS AMENDED

EDUCATION AND NEIGHBORHOODS COMMITTEE REPORT relative to eliminating the Neighborhood Councils “rollover” policy and transferring suspended funds totaling \$1.61 million to the Reserve Fund.

Recommendations for Council action, as initiated by Motion (Krekorian - Hahn - et al.), SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR:

1. **TRANSFER** rollover funds of the Neighborhood Councils to the Unappropriated Balance (UB) account, subject to honoring contracts, committed projects, ongoing rent and leases, and unpaid bills upon providing documentation; and **DIRECT** the City Administrative Officer (CAO), Chief Legislative Analyst (CLA) and Department of Neighborhood Empowerment (DONE) in consultation with the Board of Neighborhood Commissioners (BONC) and Neighborhood Councils (NC), to prepare an implementation plan and report to Education and Neighborhoods Committee in two weeks.
2. **DIRECT** the CAO, CLA, DONE in consultation with the BONC and NCs, to revisit the roll over policy, and to create a process for rolling over funds that would include a verification process by either BONC or the Council and report to Education and Neighborhoods Committee in two weeks.

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

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

AMENDING MOTION ADOPTED, AS AMENDED

AMENDING MOTION (KREKORIAN - CARDENAS)

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

APPROVE the following technical fund transfer instructions:

TRANSFER \$1.61 million from Fund 44B to a new line item in the Unappropriated Fund No. 100/58 entitled “Neighborhood Council Rollover Fund;” and, authorize the CAO to make any technical corrections or clarifications to the above fund transfer instructions in order to effectuate the intent of this Motion.

ADOPTED

AMENDING MOTION (PARKS - GARCETTI)

Recommendation for Council action:

DIRECT that the transfer of funds be accomplished by April 20 (61 days), with the amounts to be transferred in thirds, the first date of March 10, followed by March 30, and the final date of April 20; and, further, **ALLOW** planned expenditures by the Neighborhood Councils allocated by the January 29, 2010 date of the Financial Status Report.

ITEM NO. (3) - ADOPTED - SEE FOLLOWING

[09-0600-S159](#)

MOTION (KREKORIAN - HAHN - ET AL.) relative to eliminating the Neighborhood Council bank card system and conversion to a demand warrant system.

(Education and Neighborhoods Committee report to be submitted in Council. If public hearing is not held in Committee, an opportunity for public comment will be provided.)

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ADOPTED

EDUCATION AND NEIGHBORHOODS COMMITTEE REPORT relative to eliminating the Neighborhood Council (NC) bank card system and conversion to a demand warrant system.

Recommendations for Council action, as initiated by Motion (Krekorian - Hahn - et al.):

1. **REJECT** City Administrative Officer (CAO) recommendation eliminating the NC bank card system and requiring demand warrants for all purchases.
2. **DIRECT** the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment to implement the following policies immediately:
 - a. **Require NCs to submit monthly accounting of bank card expenditures in order to retain good standing;**
 - b. **Report back to Education and Neighborhoods committee in one week with an enforcement policy.**

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

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

ITEM NO. (4) - ADOPTED - SEE FOLLOWING

[09-0600-S159](#)

MOTION (KREKORIAN - HAHN - ET AL.) relative to the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment, City Attorney and City Administrative Officer evaluating and redefining allowable expenditure categories for Neighborhood Council funds.

(Education and Neighborhoods Committee report to be submitted in Council. If public hearing is not held in Committee, an opportunity for public comment will be provided.)

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ADOPTED

EDUCATION AND NEIGHBORHOODS COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment (DONE), City Attorney, and the City Administrative Officer (CAO) evaluating and redefining allowable expenditure categories for Neighborhood Council (NC) funds.

Recommendation for Council action, as initiated by Motion (Krekorian - Hahn - et al.):

REQUEST DONE, City Attorney, CAO and Chief Legislative Analyst (CLA), in consultation with BONC and the NCs, to evaluate and redefine allowable expenditure categories, and consider percentage caps for the different categories, and to report to Education and Neighborhoods Committee in 60 days.

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

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

ITEM NO. (5) - ADOPTED - SEE FOLLOWING

09-0600-S159

MOTION (KREKORIAN - HAHN - ET AL.) relative to the General Manager, Department of Neighborhood Empowerment, issuing a memo to Neighborhood Councils regarding a proposed 50 percent reduction to the annual allocation amount for 2010-11.

(Education and Neighborhoods Committee report to be submitted in Council. If public hearing is not held in Committee, an opportunity for public comment will be provided.)

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ADOPTED

EDUCATION AND NEIGHBORHOODS COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the General Manager, Department of Neighborhood Empowerment (DONE), issuing a memo to Neighborhood Councils (NC) regarding a proposed 50 percent reduction to the annual allocation for 2010-2011.

Recommendation for Council action, as initiated by Motion (Krekorian - Hahn - et al.):

REJECT City Administrative Officer (CAO) recommendation directing DONE to issue a memo to NC's regarding a 50 percent cut to the annual allocations of NC's.

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

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

**Roll Call #5 - Motion (Cárdenas - Rosendahl) Adopted to Continue, Unanimous Vote (11); Absent: Hahn, Perry, Wesson and Zine (4)
(Item Nos. 6-8)**

ITEM NO. (6) - CONTINUED TO FEBRUARY 22, 2010

[09-0600-S159](#)

MOTION (CARDENAS - KORETZ) relative to directing the City Administrative Officer (CAO) to submit within 60 days previously requested financial policies in the areas of Capital, Non-profit Leases, and the Budget Stabilization Fund, as recommended in the CAO's Three-Year Plan to Fiscal Sustainability.

(Information Technology and Government Affairs Committee report to be submitted in Council. If public hearing is not held in Committee, an opportunity for public comment will be provided.)

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ITEM NO. (7) - CONTINUED TO FEBRUARY 22, 2010

[09-0600-S159](#)

MOTION (CARDENAS - KORETZ) relative to directing the City Administrative Officer (CAO) to study with the appropriate stakeholders, and report back within 30 days on a restructuring proposal for Asset Management, as recommended in the CAO's Three-Year Plan to Fiscal Sustainability.

(Information Technology and Government Affairs Committee report to be submitted in Council. If public hearing is not held in Committee, an opportunity for public comment will be provided.)

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ITEM NO. (8) - CONTINUED TO FEBRUARY 22, 2010

[09-0600-S159](#)

MOTION (CARDENAS - KORETZ) relative to directing the City Administrative Officer (CAO) to study with the appropriate stakeholders, and report back within 30 days on a restructuring proposal for Information Technology Restructuring and Infrastructure Efficiencies, as recommended in the CAO's Three-Year Plan to Fiscal Sustainability.

(Information Technology and Government Affairs Committee report to be submitted in Council. If public hearing is not held in Committee, an opportunity for public comment will be provided.)

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ITEM NO. (9) - REFERRED TO ARTS, PARKS, HEALTH AND AGING COMMITTEE

Roll Call #2 - Motion (LaBonge - Cárdenas) Adopted to Refer, Unanimous Vote (11); Absent: Hahn, Perry, Wesson and Zine (4)

09-0600-S159

MOTION (CARDENAS - KORETZ) relative to instructing the Los Angeles Department of Aging, the Department of Recreation and Parks, and the City Administrative Officer (CAO) to develop and implement a plan to best service the senior constituents while identifying efficiencies and savings, as recommended in the CAO's Three-Year Plan to Fiscal Sustainability.

(Information Technology and Government Affairs Committee report to be submitted in Council. If public hearing is not held in Committee, an opportunity for public comment will be provided.)

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**Roll Call #5 - Motion (Cárdenas - Rosendahl) Adopted to Continue, Unanimous Vote (11); Absent: Hahn, Perry, Wesson and Zine (4)
(Item Nos. 10-13)**

ITEM NO. (10) - CONTINUED TO FEBRUARY 22, 2010

09-0600-S159

MOTION (CARDENAS - KORETZ) relative to directing the Department of General Services to identify cost savings for fleet maintenance work that could be outsourced quickly to address gaps and submit amendments to current service/parts contracts to provide the additional maintenance services within 60 days, as recommended in the City Administrative Officer's Three-Year Plan to Fiscal Sustainability.

(Information Technology and Government Affairs Committee report to be submitted in Council. If public hearing is not held in Committee, an opportunity for public comment will be provided.)

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ITEM NO. (11) - CONTINUED TO FEBRUARY 22, 2010

[09-0600-S159](#)

MOTION (CARDENAS - KORETZ) relative to directing the Department of General Services (GSD) to develop a fleet maintenance service Request for Proposal for all services with gaps currently provided by GSD fleet, with options for other City departments to utilize the maintenance services directly, within 90 days, as recommended in the City Administrative Officer's Three-Year Plan to Fiscal Sustainability.

(Information Technology and Government Affairs Committee report to be submitted in Council. If public hearing is not held in Committee, an opportunity for public comment will be provided.)

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ITEM NO. (12) - CONTINUED TO FEBRUARY 22, 2010

[09-0600-S159](#)

MOTION (CARDENAS - KORETZ) relative to directing the City Administrative Officer (CAO) to study with the appropriate stakeholders, and report back within 30 days on a public-private partnership proposal on General Services Publishing, as recommended in the CAO's Three-Year Plan to Fiscal Sustainability.

(Information Technology and Government Affairs Committee report to be submitted in Council. If public hearing is not held in Committee, an opportunity for public comment will be provided.)

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ITEM NO. (13) - CONTINUED TO FEBRUARY 22, 2010

[10-0201](#)

MOTION (CARDENAS - ZINE) relative to instructing the City Administrative Officer and Chief Legislative Analyst, in concurrence with the Information Technology Agency, to convene a working group to review the current proposed Technology Request Process, proposals to consolidate Help Desk and the Desktop Support program and other consolidation initiatives; identifying potential risks and benefits of consolidation and the potential for public-private partnerships.

(Information Technology and Government Affairs Committee report to be submitted in Council. If public hearing is not held in Committee, an opportunity for public comment will be provided.)

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ITEM NO. (14) - ADOPTED, AS AMENDED - SEE FOLLOWING

Roll Call #6 - Motion (Rosendahl - LaBonge) to Adopt as Amended, Ayes (11); Absent: Hahn, Perry, Wesson and Zine (4)

[09-0600-S159](#)

MOTION (HAHN - LABONGE) relative to the Convention Center privatization proposal contained in the City Administrative Officer Three-Year Plan to Fiscal Sustainability report.

(Trade, Commerce, and Tourism Committee report to be submitted in Council. If public hearing is not held in Committee, an opportunity for public comment will be provided.)

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ADOPTED, AS AMENDED

TRADE, COMMERCE, AND TOURISM COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the Los Angeles Convention Center (LACC) privatization proposal contained in the City Administrative Officer Three-Year Plan to Fiscal Sustainability report.

Recommendations for Council action, as initiated by Motion (Hahn - LaBonge):

1. DIRECT the City Administrative Officer (CAO) to report on the following:

- a. Retention of bond counsel to advise the City Council on whether the LACC's tax-exempt bond status allows the City to privatize the management and operations of the LACC.
- b. Financial expectations for the privatization proposal, including whether the City is seeking upfront financial commitments, capital investments, or revenue sharing proposals.

~~***2. INSTRUCT the working group consisting of CAO, City Attorney, Chief Legislative Analyst (CLA), LACC, and Mayor's Office to study short-term governance proposals that can be implemented immediately and to report back to the Trade, Commerce, and Tourism Committee with updates. *(LaBonge - Rosendahl)**~~

Fiscal Impact Statement: Neither the CAO or the CLA have completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

ADOPTED

AMENDING MOTION (LABONGE - ROSENDAHL)

Recommendations for Council action:

ADD the following Recommendation 1 c:

- c. Refer the above reports to the Trade, Commerce and Tourism Committee for further discussion and recommendations before a "Request for Proposals" for the management and operations of the Convention Center is issued.**

AMEND Recommendation 2 to read as follows:

- 2. INSTRUCT the CAO to convene a working group consisting of appropriate City departments, offices and organizations to study governance proposals that can be used in the short-term by the Convention Center Department; and further, INSTRUCT the CAO's working group to report back to the Trade, Commerce and Tourism Committee at its meeting on March 3, 2010.**

Item for Which Public Hearing Has Not Been Held - Item 15

(10 Votes Required for Consideration)

ITEM NO. (15) - AMENDING AND ADDITIONAL MOTIONS ADOPTED - SEE FOLLOWING

**Roll Call #1 - Motion (Parks - Perry) to Adopt Amending and Additional Motions, Ayes (9);
Noes: Alarcón, Koretz and Krekorian (3); Absent: Hahn, Wesson and Zine (4)**

[10-0247](#)

CONSIDERATION, DISCUSSION and POSSIBLE ACTIONS addressing the Fiscal Year 2009-10 and 2010-11 budget deficits, City staff and others to report on budget balancing matters and possible closed executive session as it may relate to bargaining instructions relative to negotiations with employees and employee organizations.

[Council may recess to Closed Session, pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6, to meet with the City's labor negotiator(s) relative to the above matter.]

ADOPTED, *AS AMENDED

MOTION (PERRY - PARKS - REYES - ET AL.)

Recommendations for Council action:

- 1. REITERATE its commitment to eliminate ~~4,000~~*1,000 positions and instructs the Personnel Department and all Departments and Offices of the City, including elected offices, ~~to expedite the elimination of 4,000 positions~~* to eliminate an additional 3,000 position authorities, by any means necessary, including layoffs. *(Perry - Parks)**
- 2. INSTRUCT all Departments and offices to ensure that all positions are identified within 45 days and scheduled for elimination as of July 1, 2010.**
- 3. DIRECT the City Attorney to update an emergency fiscal resolution and report back to Council within one week.**

ADOPTED

MOTION (HUIZAR - GARCETTI)

Recommendation for Council action:

DIRECT the City Administrative Officer to report back within 20 days with the list of positions and possible savings resulting from this action.

ADOPTED

MOTION (CARDENAS - GARCETTI)

Recommendation for Council action:

DIRECT the City Administrative Officer to report back with various scenarios (matrix) with respect to costs of health care benefits offered to City employees including but not limited to changing the contribution level(s) of employees, raising co-pay amounts and deductibles and other choices available that are not presently offered.

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

[10-0600](#)

MOTION (GARCETTI - PERRY - ET AL.) relative to requesting the Mayor to submit his Fiscal Year 2010-11 budget proposal to the Council on March 20, 2010 instead of by April 20, 2010.

[09-0600-S174](#)

MOTION (HUIZAR - PARKS) relative to instructing the City Administrative Officer to report to the Council on the feasibility of the proposal outlined in this Motion, as well as any other temporary revenue advancement solutions that can be immediately implemented to address the 2009-10 Budget shortfall.

[09-0600-S173](#)

MOTION (GARCETTI - PERRY) relative to funding for expenditures related to the engagement of consultants to complete the study of the City's meter system.

COMMENDATORY RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED IN HONOR OF:

[10-0004](#) - Charleston 5

Alarcón - Koretz

Ayes, Alarcón, Cárdenas, Huizar, Koretz, Krekorian, LaBonge, Parks, Reyes, Rosendahl, Smith and President Garcetti (11); Absent: Hahn, Perry, Wesson and Zine (4)

Whereupon the Special Council meeting did adjourn.

ATTEST: June Lagmay, CITY CLERK

By

Council Clerk

PRESIDENT OF THE CITY COUNCIL