

Los Angeles City Council, **Journal/Council Proceedings**  
Wednesday, **March 24, 2010**  
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: Alarcón, Cárdenas, Hahn, Huizar, Koretz, LaBonge, Perry, Wesson, Zine and President Garcetti (10); Absent: Krekorian, Parks, Reyes, Rosendahl and Smith (5)**

APPROVAL OF THE RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNCIL MEETING OF  
MARCH 19, 2010

COMMENDATORY RESOLUTIONS AND INTRODUCTIONS - SEE PAGE - 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 Noticed for Public Hearing - Items 1-9**

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

**Roll Call #6 - Motion (Huizar - Koretz) Adopted, Ayes (14); Absent: Krekorian (1)**

[09-3085](#)

HEARING APPEALS and ORDINANCE FIRST CONSIDERATION relative to the proposed 2010 Annual Weed and Brush Abatement Program.

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

PRESENT and ADOPT the accompanying ORDINANCE authorizing and ordering the removal of weeds, rubbish, refuse and/or dirt upon certain streets, sidewalks, parkways and/or are on or in front of certain private properties in the City of Los Angeles, which are a public nuisance as set forth in the 2010 Ordinance of Intention No. 181055 adopted by the Council on January 6, 2010.

(Communication from the City Attorney and Ordinance of Intention adopted on January 6, 2010)

**ADOPTED**

**MOTION (HUIZAR - KORETZ)**

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

**PRESENT and ADOPT the accompany ORDINANCE determining and declaring that weeds, rubbish, refuse and dirt on certain streets, sidewalks, parkways or in front of certain private properties in the City of Los Angeles are a public nuisance, and ordering the abatement of these nuisances.**

**ITEM NO. (2) - RECEIVED AND FILED, INASMUCH AS LIEN HAS BEEN PAID**

**Roll Call #3 - Motion (LaBonge - Perry) Adopted to Receive and File, Unanimous Vote (10); Absent: Krekorian, Parks, Reyes, Rosendahl and Smith (5)**

[09-0572](#)

CD 6

HEARING APPEALS OR OBJECTIONS to Building and Safety Department report and confirmation of lien to cover the cost of graffiti abatement for the lot at 6654 North Kester Avenue. (Lien: \$256)

**Roll Call #4 - Motion (Alarcón - Perry) Adopted, Ayes (11); Absent: Krekorian, Parks, Rosendahl and Smith (4)  
(Item Nos. 3-5)**

**ITEM NO. (3) - PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED - LIEN CONFIRMED**

[09-1956](#)

CD 9

HEARING APPEALS OR OBJECTIONS to Building and Safety Department report and confirmation of lien to cover the cost of cleaning the lot at 851 West 49th Street. (Lien: \$300)

**ITEM NO. (4) - PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED - LIEN CONFIRMED**

[09-2925](#)

CD 8

HEARING APPEALS OR OBJECTIONS to Building and Safety Department report and confirmation of lien to cover the cost of barricading all openings for the lot at 844 West 104th Street. (Lien: \$1,925.56)

**ITEM NO. (5) - ADOPTED AS \*AMENDED - LIEN CONFIRMED**

[09-2926](#)

CD 7

HEARING APPEALS OR OBJECTIONS to Building and Safety Department report and confirmation of lien to cover the cost of demolition of the building at 8601 North Noble Avenue.

(Lien: \$6,193.14)

**\*(Lien: \$5,213.14)**

**ADOPTED**

**MOTION (ALARCON - PERRY)**

**Recommendation for Council action:**

**AMEND the Building and Safety report and confirmation of lien to cover the cost of demolition of the building at 8601 North Noble Avenue.**

**ITEM NO. (6) - CONTINUED TO MARCH 31, 2010**

**Roll Call #8 - Motion (Parks - Perry) Adopted to Continue, Unanimous Vote (13); Absent: Krekorian and Reyes (2)**

[09-3076](#)

CD 8

HEARING APPEALS OR OBJECTIONS to Building and Safety Department report and confirmation of lien to cover the costs of barricading of all openings, cleaning and fencing of the lot at 3420 West 71st Street.

(Lien: \$4,610.18)

**ITEM NO. (7) - RECEIVED AND FILED, INASMUCH AS LIEN HAS BEEN PAID**

**Roll Call #3 - Motion (LaBonge - Perry) Adopted to Receive and File, Unanimous Vote (10); Absent: Krekorian, Parks, Reyes, Rosendahl and Smith (5)**

[09-3077](#)

CD 2

HEARING APPEALS OR OBJECTIONS to Building and Safety Department report and confirmation of lien to cover the costs of barricading of all openings, cleaning and fencing of the lot at 6817 North Vantage Avenue.

(Lien: \$10,154.18)

**ITEM NO. (8) - PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED - LIEN CONFIRMED**

**Roll Call #4 - Motion (Alarcón- Perry) Adopted, Ayes (11); Absent: Krekorian, Parks, Rosendahl and Smith (4)**

[09-3078](#)

CD 5

HEARING APPEALS OR OBJECTIONS to Building and Safety Department report and confirmation of lien to cover the costs of barricading of all openings and cleaning of the lot at 3690 North Alomar Drive. (Lien: \$3,257.26)

**ITEM NO. (9) - RECEIVED AND FILED, INASMUCH AS LIEN HAS BEEN PAID**

**Roll Call #3 - Motion (LaBonge - Perry), Unanimous Vote (10); Absent: Krekorian, Parks, Reyes, Rosendahl and Smith (5)**

[09-3079](#)

CD 15

HEARING APPEALS OR OBJECTIONS to Building and Safety Department report and confirmation of lien to cover the costs of barricading of all openings, cleaning and fencing of the lot at 1249 East 109th Street. (Lien: \$6,502.71)

**Items for Which Public Hearings Have Been Held - Items 10-12**

**ITEM NO. (10) - ADOPTED**

**Roll Call #5 - Motion (Wesson - Cárdenas) Adopted, Ayes (11); Absent: Krekorian, Parks, Rosendahl and Smith (4)**

[09-1524](#)

CD 4

HOUSING, COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT relative to an amended and restated loan agreement with Normandie Terrace Partners, LP (Developer), and a reduction in the unit count from 81 to 66 units, for the redesigned Normandie Terrace Affordable Housing Project (Project) located at 538-48 South Normandie and 541-49 South Mariposa Avenues.

Recommendation for Council action:

AUTHORIZE the Chief Executive Officer, Community Redevelopment Agency, or designee, to, not sooner than 30 days after the adoption of the amended and restated Replacement Housing Plan, execute an amended and restated loan agreement and all ancillary loan documents with the Developer, for an amount not to exceed \$5,250,000, in connection with the re-designed Project, to accommodate various changes, including a change in the total unit count from 81 units to 66 units and the change in affordability levels associated with the units, and to take such other actions as may be necessary to carry out the loan agreement, subject to the review of the City Attorney as to form and legality.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The Chief Legislative Analyst reports that there is no fiscal impact to the City's General Fund as a result of this action. The source of funds is Wilshire Center/Koreatown Housing and Tax Increment.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

**ITEM NO. (11) - CONTINUED TO MARCH 30, 2010**

**Roll Call #9 - Motion (Alárcon - Cárdenas) Adopted to Continue, Unanimous Vote (11); Absent: Hahn, Huizar, Krekorian and Reyes (4)**

[09-0600-S20](#)

CONTINUED CONSIDERATION OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AND GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the impact of a proposed reduction to the Council and Public Services Division in the Office of the City Clerk.

Recommendation for Council action:

RECEIVE and FILE the City Administrative Officer report dated May 5, 2009 relative to a report back on the impact of a proposed reduction to the Council and Public Services Division in the Office of the City Clerk.

Fiscal Impact Statement: Not applicable.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

(Continued from Council meeting of March 19, 2010)

**ITEM NO. (12) - CONTINUED TO MARCH 30, 2010**

**Roll Call #10 - Motion (Smith - Wesson) Adopted to Continue, Unanimous Vote (11); Absent: Hahn, Huizar, Krekorian and Reyes (4)**

[09-0600-S21](#)

CONTINUED CONSIDERATION OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AND GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the reduction of translation services in the Office of the City Clerk.

Recommendation for Council action:

RECEIVE and FILE the City Administrative Officer report dated May 5, 2009 relative to a report back on reduction of translation services in the Office of the City Clerk.

Fiscal Impact Statement: Not applicable.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

(Continued from Council meeting of March 19, 2010)

## Items for Which Public Hearings Have Not Been Held - Items 13-21

(10 Votes Required for Consideration)

### ITEM NO. (13) - ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

[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.]

### ITEM NO. (14) - NO ACTION TAKEN

[10-0247](#)

CONTINUED CONSIDERATION OF CITY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER TO REPORT relative to a list of positions and possible savings resulting from the action to eliminate 1,000 positions and the elimination of 3,000 additional position authorities, by any means necessary, including lay-offs.

[Pursuant to Council adoption of Motion (Huizar - Garcetti) on February 18, 2010]

(Continued from Council meeting of March 17, 2010)

### ITEM NO. (15) - NO ACTION TAKEN

[10-0247](#)

PRESENTATIONS and DEPARTMENTAL GENERAL MANAGERS TO REPORT relative to specific layoff plans, including but not limited to numbers and titles of positions to be eliminated, General Fund dollars to be returned to the General Fund as a result of these actions, reductions in services and other impacts to residents, public infrastructure, recreation, education, and social services, as detailed in the Motion.

(Pursuant to Council action of March 10, 2010)

### ITEM NO. (16) - ADOPTED

**Roll Call #12 - Motion (Garcetti - Parks) Adopted, Ayes (11); Absent: Hahn, Huizar, Krekorian and Reyes (4)**

[09-0600-S177](#)

CONTINUED CONSIDERATION OF COMMUNICATION FROM THE CITY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER (CAO) relative to estimated savings from the potential elimination of 4,000 positions.

Recommendation for Council action:

NOTE and FILE the CAO's February 24, 2010 report relative to the estimated savings from the elimination of 4,000 positions 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.

(Continued from Council meeting of March 17, 2010)

**Roll Call #1 - Motion (Cárdenas - Perry) Adopted to Continue, Unanimous Vote (10); Absent: Krekorian, Parks, Reyes, Rosendahl and Smith (5)  
(Item Nos. 17-19)**

**ITEM NO. (17) - CONTINUED TO APRIL 7, 2010**

[10-0201](#)

CONTINUED CONSIDERATION OF CITY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER TO REPORT relative to results of the working group convened to review consolidation initiatives and identify potential risks and benefits of consolidation.

(Pursuant to Council action of February 22, 2010)

(Continued from Council meeting of March 17, 2010)

**ITEM NO. (18) - CONTINUED TO APRIL 7, 2010**

[09-0600-S159](#)

CONTINUED CONSIDERATION OF DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES TO REPORT relative to identifying cost savings and efficiencies for fleet maintenance.

(Pursuant to Council action of February 22, 2010)

(Continued from Council meeting of March 17, 2010)

**ITEM NO. (19) - CONTINUED TO APRIL 7, 2010**

[09-0600-S159](#)

CONTINUED CONSIDERATION OF CITY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER and CHIEF LEGISLATIVE ANALYST TO REPORT relative to a restructuring proposal for Information Technology Restructuring and Infrastructure Efficiencies.

(Pursuant to Council action of February 22, 2010)

(Continued from Council meeting of March 17, 2010)

**ITEM NO. (20) - CONTINUED TO MARCH 31, 2010**

**Roll Call #2 - Motion (Perry - Zine) Adopted to Continue, Unanimous Vote (10); Absent: Krekorian, Parks, Reyes, Rosendahl and Smith (5)**

[10-0288](#)

CONTINUED CONSIDERATION OF COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE LOS ANGELES DEPARTMENT OF WATER AND POWER (LADWP) and HARBOR DEPARTMENT relative to proprietary departments' contract analysis to replace contract personnel with displaced General Fund employees.

Recommendation for Council action:

NOTE and FILE the LADWP report dated March 1, 2010, and the Harbor Department report dated March 11, 2010, submitted in response to Motion (Garcetti - Perry - Huizar - et al.), with an analysis of the current contracts with outside vendors to identify opportunities to contract with General Fund departments and to replace contracted personnel with displaced General Fund employees, 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.

(Continued from Council meeting of March 17, 2010)

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

**Roll Call #7 - Motion (Huizar - Cárdenas) Adopted, Ayes (14); Absent: Krekorian (1)**

[07-0163-S2](#)

CD 14

CONTINUED CONSIDERATION OF MOTION (HUIZAR - CARDENAS) relative to naming the Hollenbeck Police Station as the "Rudy de Leon/Hollenbeck Station."

Recommendations for Council action:

1. EXECUTE all actions necessary to name the Hollenbeck Police Station as the "Rudy de Leon / Hollenbeck Station," in recognition of Captain De Leon's 31 years of service to the city and commitment to the Police Department and the Boyle Heights and East Los Angeles communities; proceeding in a manner that is consistent with the precedence established in naming and dedicating similar Police Department facilities throughout the city and in keeping with the preservation of the Hollenbeck name, which is of historical importance to the Boyle Heights community.
2. DIRECT the Bureau of Engineering to design appropriate exterior signage and that is compatible with the proposed signage for the interior, including Captain De Leon's image and appropriate biographical verbiage; and, DIRECT the City Administrative Officer (CAO) to identify sufficient funding for this signage from Proposition Q funds or other appropriate sources.



3. DIRECT the Department of General Services to fabricate and install permanent exterior and interior signage; and, in conjunction with appropriate Police Department personnel, Council District 14 staff, and members of the Hollenbeck Community Police Advisory Board to determine the best location to place the signage and best wording to be used.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

(Public Safety and Information Technology and Government Affairs Committees waived consideration of the above matter)

(Continued from Council meeting of March 19, 2010)

## **Item for Which Public Hearing Has Been Held - Item 23**

**ITEM NO. (23) - CONTINUED TO MARCH 30, 2010**

**Roll Call #11 - Motion (Garcetti - Perry) Adopted to Continue, Unanimous Vote (11); Absent: Hahn, Huizar, Krekorian and Reyes (4)**

[10-0205](#)

CONTINUED CONSIDERATION OF MOTION (GARCETTI - PERRY) relative to the City's options to generate cost savings in an effort to address a growing 2009-10 and 2010-11 budget deficit.

Recommendation for Council action:

INSTRUCT the City Administrative Officer and Personnel Department to report to Council immediately on:

- a. The status of implementation of Coalition of Los Angeles City Unions concessions.
- b. The vacant positions and positions eligible for transfer from General Fund to special fund.

(Public Hearing Closed on March 2, 2010)

**MOTION ADOPTED UPON FINDINGS BY COUNCIL THAT THE NEED TO TAKE ACTION AROSE SUBSEQUENT TO THE POSTING OF THE COUNCIL AGENDA FOR WEDNESDAY, MARCH 24, 2010, PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54954.2(b)(2) AND COUNCIL RULE 23**

**ADOPTED - FORTHWITH**

**Roll Call #13 - Motion (Wesson - Cárdenas) Findings - Adopted, Ayes (11); Absent: Hahn, Huizar, Krekorian and Reyes (4)**

**Roll Call #14 - Motion (Wesson - Cárdenas) Adopted, Ayes (11); Absent: Hahn, Huizar, Krekorian and Reyes (4)**

[10-0504](#)

**MOTION (WESSON - CARDENAS) relative to the William Grant Still Art Center.**

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

- 1. INSTRUCT the Department of Cultural Affairs, in collaboration with the City Administrative Officer, to appropriate up to \$200,000 from the Cultural Affairs Grant Program for use at the William Grant Still Art Center to maintain services and programs at this facility through June 30, 2010; and REPORT to the Council with an accounting of these funds.**
- 2. INSTRUCT the Community Redevelopment Agency, should funds not be available from the Cultural Affairs Grants Program, to transfer \$200,000 in AB 1290 funds from the Mid City Corridor Redevelopment Project Area to the City; and that Council accept these funds; and transfer these funds to the Cultural Affairs Department for the William Grant Still Art Center.**
- 3. INSTRUCT the Chief Legislative Analyst to prepare the necessary Controller's instructions and make any technical changes that may be required to effectuate the intent of this Motion.**

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

[10-0011-S12](#)

MOTION (REYES - GARCETTI) relative to funding for the Soto Street Bridge Removal project in Council District One.

[10-0495](#)

MOTION (SMITH - ROSENDAHL) relative to funding for staffing expenses associated with expediting the design of two new traffic signals at Reseda Boulevard and Dearborn Street and at Reseda Boulevard and Vicennes Street in Council District 12.

[10-0496](#)

MOTION (SMITH - ROSENDAHL) relative to funding for the Balboa Boulevard at San Fernando Road Improvement project in Council District 12.

[10-0011-S13](#)

MOTION (HAHN - ROSENDAHL) relative to funding for an Art Instructor position at Charles Mingus Youth Center in Watts (Council District 15) for the balance of the current Fiscal Year (FY).

[02-0010-S43](#)

MOTION (REYES - PARKS) relative to reinstating the reward offer in the death of Levon Tashchyan for an additional six months.

[10-0497](#)

MOTION (SMITH - CARDENAS) relative to installing street banners supporting Birmingham High School to "Dream", "Believe" and to "Achieve" their goals.

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

[10-0003](#) - Ann Kinzle

(Zine - All Councilmembers)

Reverend Elliott James Mason

(Parks)

Liz Carpenter

(LaBonge - Rosendahl)

**Ayes, Alarcón, Cárdenas, Koretz, LaBonge, Parks, Perry, Rosendahl, Smith, Wesson, Zine and President Garcetti (15); Absent: Hahn, Huizar, Krekorian and Reyes (4)**

**Whereupon the Council did adjourn.**

ATTEST: June Lagmay, CITY CLERK

By

Council Clerk

PRESIDENT OF THE CITY COUNCIL