

Los Angeles City Council, **Journal/Council Proceedings**
Wednesday, **March 10, 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, Huizar, Koretz, LaBonge, Parks, Perry, Rosendahl, Smith, Wesson, Zine and President Garcetti (12); Absent: Hahn, Krekorian and Reyes (3)

APPROVAL OF THE RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNCIL MEETING OF
MARCH 5, 2010

COMMENDATORY RESOLUTIONS AND INTRODUCTIONS - SEE PAGE 8

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 for Which Public Hearings Have Been Held - Items 1-2

ITEM NO. (1) - ADOPTED - SEE FOLLOWING

Roll Call #3 - Motion (Parks - Krekorian) Adopted, Ayes (15)

[09-1123](#)

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF FIRE AND POLICE PENSIONS and WATER AND POWER EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT PLAN relative to actions taken with regards to Placement Agents, and related matters, as initiated by Motion (Parks - Smith).

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

(Click on the above hyperlink or go to <http://cityclerk.lacity.org/lacityclerkconnect/index.cfm> for background documents.)

ADOPTED

BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT relative to actions taken by the Department of Fire and Police Pensions (LAFPP), Los Angeles City Employees' Retirement System (LACERS), and the Department of Water and Power Employees' Retirement Plan (WPERP) relative to Placement Agents.

Recommendations for Council action, as initiated by Motion (Parks-Smith):

1. **NOTE and FILE** the reports by the LAFPP, LACERS, and the WPERP relative to actions taken relative to Placement Agents, inasmuch as the reports are submitted for information only and no Council action is necessary.
2. **REQUEST** the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power Employees' Retirement Plan Board to submit its policy relative to Placement Agents for the Council file so it is available for review by the City Administrative Officer (CAO) and Chief Legislative Analyst (CLA).
3. **INSTRUCT** the CLA and CAO, with the assistance of the City's Pension Funds, the City Attorney, and the Ethics Commission, pursuant to Motion (Parks - Smith), to report relative to actions taken by the three retirement systems in response to the Motion (Council file No. 09-1123), and provide an evaluation of the potential effectiveness of those actions in better ensuring that investment management decisions made by the respective retirement system Boards are made solely on the merits of the investment opportunity. This report should include advice to the Council on the adoption of a policy that can be enacted which would either require disclosure from placement agents, or ban these third party marketers from the decision making process of these investment boards.
4. **INSTRUCT** the CAO and CLA to evaluate the policies of the three pension funds - LACERS, LAFPP, WPERP - relative to placement agents, for their consistency and to identify whether enhancements are recommended.
5. **INSTRUCT** the CLA and CAO, with the assistance of the City Attorney, to review the composition of the Boards of the City's three pension funds - LACERS, LAFPP, WPERP - and to report back to the Council with recommendations for revising the processes by which pension Board members are appointed and confirmed to the Boards of pension funds so that the appointing authority is diversified and no single appointing authority shall appoint a majority of the members of a pension Board, pursuant to Motion (Parks - Zine) adopted by the Council on May 27, 2009.
6. **REQUEST** the City Controller to review the effectiveness and propriety of increased allocation to hedge funds in the Los Angeles City pension fund investment portfolios, pursuant to Motion (Parks - Zine) adopted by the Council on May 27, 2009.

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

Community Impact Statement: Yes

General Comments: Greater Valley Glen Neighborhood Council

(Personnel Committee waived consideration of the above matter)

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

Roll Call #4 - Motion (Koretz - Garcetti) to Adopt as Amended, Ayes (13); Noes: Alarcón and Hahn (2)

[09-0952](#)

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE REPORT relative to a report released by the League of Women Voters evaluating retirement benefits for the Los Angeles City employees.

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

INSTRUCT the General Managers, Los Angeles City Employees' Retirement System (LACERS), Department of Fire and Police Pensions, and Department of Water and Power Board of Administration to conduct an overall assessment of the March 26, 2009 League of Women Voters' report relative to City retirement benefits and to report back on the feasibility of implementing the options outlined in that 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.

(Budget and Finance 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

BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT relative to an assessment of the League of Women Voters' (League) report on City retirement benefits by the Los Angeles City Employees' Retirement System (LACERS), Fire and Police Pension System, and the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP) Board of Administration.

Recommendations for Council action, pursuant to Motion (Parks - Huizar):

1. **CONCUR with the recommendation of the Personnel Committee to approve the Motion (Parks - Huizar) relative to instructing LACERS, the Fire and Police Pension System, and the LADWP Board of Administration to conduct an overall assessment of the League's March 26, 2009 report on City retirement benefits.**
2. **REQUEST the Board of LADWP Commissioners to submit the LADWP Retirement System Board's review of the League's report on City retirement benefits to the Council within two weeks so the information is available to the City Administrative Officer (CAO) for review.**

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

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

ADOPTED

AMENDING MOTION (GARCETTI - PARKS)

Recommendation for Council action:

DIRECT the CAO to report on the healthy percentage of contribution to the pension fund from the General Fund and compare to the real contribution, the report should consider contribution levels for five years.

Items for Which Public Hearings Have Not Been Held - Items 3-11

(10 Votes Required for Consideration)

ITEM NO. (3) - CONTINUED TO MARCH 17, 2010

Roll Call #2 - Motion (Parks - Garcetti) Adopted to Continue, Unanimous Vote (15)

[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. (4) - CONTINUED TO MARCH 17, 2010

Roll Call #7 - Motion (Parks - Garcetti) Adopted to Continue, Unanimous Vote (11); Absent: Hahn, Reyes, Wesson and Zine (4)

[10-0247](#)

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]

ITEM NO. (5) - ADDITIONAL MOTIONS ADOPTED - SEE FOLLOWING - CONTINUED TO MARCH 17, 2010

Roll Call #6 - Motion (Huizar - Hahn) to Adopt as Amended and Continued, Ayes (11); Absent: Hahn, Reyes, Wesson and Zine (4)

[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 1, 2010)

ADOPTED

MOTION (HUIZAR - HAHN)

Recommendation for Council action:

INSTRUCT the CAO to report to Council in 14 days on which positions proposed for elimination in the Department of Public Works, such as the Bureau of Contract Administration's construction project inspectors, generate significant General Fund revenues from proprietary departments and should be exempt from elimination.

ADOPTED

MOTION (HAHN - KORETZ)

Recommendation for Council action:

INSTRUCT the Cao to prepare and present to the Council a weekly written report on layoffs of City employees.

ITEM NO. (6) - CONTINUED TO MARCH 17, 2010

Roll Call #8 - Motion (Parks - Garcetti) Adopted to Continue, Unanimous Vote (11); Absent: Hahn, Reyes, Wesson and Zine (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 3, 2010)

ITEM NO. (7) - NO ACTION TAKEN

[10-0285](#)

CITY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER TO REPORT with an update on efforts to reform civilian and sworn pension systems for current employees and new hires.

[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]

[Pursuant to Motions (Garcetti - Rosendahl - Perry - et al.) and (Rosendahl - Smith - Koretz) adopted on February 23, 2010]

**Roll Call #1 - Motion (Cárdenas - Zine) Adopted to Continue, Unanimous Vote (15)
(Item Nos. 8-10)**

ITEM NO. (8) - CONTINUED TO MARCH 17, 2010

[10-0201](#)

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)

ITEM NO. (9) - CONTINUED TO MARCH 17, 2010

[09-0600-S159](#)

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

(Pursuant to Council action of February 22, 2010)

ITEM NO. (10) - CONTINUED TO MARCH 17, 2010

[09-0600-S159](#)

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)

ITEM NO. (11) - ADOPTED

Roll Call #9 - Motion (Garcetti - Cárdenas) Adopted, Ayes (11); Absent: Hahn, Reyes, Wesson and Zine (4)

10-0353

RESOLUTION (GARCETTI - CARDENAS - ET AL.) relative to declaring March 11, 2010 as 3-1-1 "One Call to City Hall" day in the City of Los Angeles.

Recommendation for Council action:

RESOLVE to DECLARE March 11, 2010 as 3-1-1 "One Call to City Hall" day in the City of Los Angeles.

MOTION ADOPTED UPON FINDINGS BY COUNCIL THAT THE NEED TO TAKE ACTION AROSE SUBSEQUENT TO THE POSTING OF THE COUNCIL AGENDA FOR WEDNESDAY, MARCH 10, 2010, PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54954.2(b)(2) AND COUNCIL RULE 23

ADOPTED - FORTHWITH

Roll Call #10 - Motion (Perry - Parks) Findings on Need to Act - Adopted, Ayes (11); Absent: Hahn, Reyes, Wesson and Zine (4)

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

07-1658-S2

RESOLUTION (PERRY - PARKS) relative to extending an Interim Control Ordinance (ICO) prohibiting the issuance of all permits related to the establishment of new fast food restaurants.

Recommendation for Council action:

RESOLVE to EXTEND the provisions of Ordinance No. 180103 prohibiting the issuance of all permits related to the establishment of new fast food restaurants on commercial or industrial zoned properties located on streets designated as Major Highway Class I, Major Highway Class II, and Secondary Highway in the West Adams-Baldwin Hills-Leimert Community Plan Area and portions of the South Los Angeles and Southeast Los Angeles Community Plan areas, for a period of six months to September 14, 2010 or upon the adoption of permanent regulations, inasmuch as the City Planning Department is actively working towards the creation of the appropriate regulatory measures to address this issue.

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

[09-0600-S186](#)

MOTION (HAHN - KORETZ) relative to the Department of Recreation and Parks to report on recommendations for generating cost-savings and maximizing efficiencies for the 2010-11 Fiscal Year.

[10-0413](#)

MOTION (HAHN - LABONGE) relative to instructing the City Administrative Officer (CAO) to create a fully funded category in the Department of Recreation and Parks' 2010-11 budget for all positions that are currently reimbursed by the Harbor Department.

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

[10-0415](#)

RESOLUTION (GARCETTI - ROSENDAHL) relative to the City's position for the U.N. Convention on the Rights of the Children.

[10-0414](#)

RESOLUTION (HUIZAR - ROSENDAHL) relative to the Los Angeles Department of Transportation submitting an application for grant funding from the California Department of Transportation Community-Based Transportation Planning.

COUNCILMEMBERS' REQUESTS FOR EXCUSE FROM COUNCIL MEETINGS

Motion (Garcetti - Perry) unanimously adopted to excuse Councilmember Zine from Council Session of Friday, March 26, 2010, due to City Business

COMMENDATORY RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED IN HONOR OF:

[10-0004](#) - Jim McDonnell

Hahn - All Councilmembers

At the conclusion of this day's Council Session

ADJOURNING MOTIONS WERE ADOPTED in tribute to the memory of:

[10-0003](#) - Petros "Pete" Petrossian

Huizar - Alarcón

Clyde Dawson McCallon

LaBonge

Willie Davis

LaBonge - Alarcón

Robert Reeves

Smith for Zine

Bradford Crowe

Alarcón - All Councilmembers

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

Whereupon the Council did adjourn.

ATTEST: June Lagmay, CITY CLERK

By

Council Clerk

PRESIDENT OF THE CITY COUNCIL