

Los Angeles City Council, **Journal/Council Proceedings**
Friday, **April 15, 2011**
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, LaBonge, Parks, Perry, Rosendahl, Wesson, Zine and President Garcetti (10); Absent: Huizar, Koretz, Krekorian, Reyes and Smith (5)

APPROVAL OF THE RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNCIL MEETING OF
APRIL 12, 2011

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 for Which Public Hearings Have Been Held - Items 1-4

ITEM NO. (1) - ADOPTED

Roll Call #4 - Adopted, Ayes (12); Absent: Huizar, Reyes and Smith (3)

[11-0294](#)

CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION, HOUSING, COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT and ORDINANCES FIRST CONSIDERATION relative to amending 31 redevelopment plans to extend the dates of effectiveness by one year for plans adopted on or before December 31, 1993 and to extend the dates of effectiveness and the dates for the receipt of tax increment by one year for plans adopted on or after January 1, 1994 pursuant to and as authorized by ABx4-26.

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

1. FIND that the proposed action in an undertaking pursuant to, and in furtherance of, the 31 redevelopment projects listed in the City Attorney report dated March 23, 2011, which were previously evaluated and processed pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

The proposed action for the Earthquake Disaster Assistance Project for Portions of Council District Three, the Earthquake Disaster Assistance Project for Portions of Council District Seven and the East Hollywood/Beverly Normandie plans were adopted under the Community Redevelopment Disaster Project Law and are categorically exempt under the provisions of Section 15308 of the State CEQA Guidelines.

Final Environmental Impact Reports for the remaining 28 conventional projects listed in the City Attorney report dated March 23, 2011 were certified by the Community Redevelopment Agency Board of Commissioners at the time of project adoption. In accordance with Section 15189 of the State CEQA Guidelines, no further environmental review is necessary for this action for those projects.

2. PRESENT and ADOPT the accompanying ORDINANCES amending 31 redevelopment plans to extend the dates of effectiveness by one year for plans adopted on or before December 31, 1993 and to extend the dates of effectiveness and the dates for the receipt of tax increment by one year for plans adopted on or after January 1, 1994 pursuant to and as authorized by ABx4-26.

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

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

**Roll Call #1 - Adopted, Ayes (10); Absent: Huizar, Koretz, Krekorian, Reyes and Smith (5)
(Item Nos. 2-4)**

ITEM NO. (2) - ADOPTED

[10-0101](#)

HOUSING, COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT relative to Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) report regarding the CRA's Annual Report of Financial Transactions to the State Controller for Fiscal Year (FY) ending June 30, 2010.

Recommendation for Council action:

RECEIVE and FILE the CRA report dated March 4, 2011 regarding the CRA's Annual Report of Financial Transactions to the State Controller for FY ending June 30, 2010, inasmuch as the report is submitted for information only and no Council action is necessary.

Fiscal Impact Statement: Not applicable.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

ITEM NO. (3) - ADOPTED

[11-0329-S1](#)

HOUSING, COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT relative to funding to assist LA Streetcar, Inc. and the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority.

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

1. AUTHORIZE the Chief Legislative Analyst (CLA), in consultation with Council District Nine and Fourteen, to transfer a total of \$3 million in Assembly Bill 1290 (AB 1290) funds from the City Center Redevelopment Project Area (Project Area) to LA Streetcar, Inc. (\$1.5 million) and the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (\$1.5 million) from Fiscal Year (FY) 2010-11 through FY 2015-16, subject to funding availability.
2. INSTRUCT the CLA, for FY 2010-11, to:
 - a. Transfer \$250,000 in Project Area AB 1290 to LA Streetcar, Inc. for feasibility analysis, design, and engineering for the Los Angeles Streetcar Project.
 - b. Transfer \$250,000 in Project Area AB 1290 funds to the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority for the continued provision of homeless services in the City Center East community.
 - c. Prepare Controller instructions and make any technical adjustments that may be required and are consistent with this action, and authorize the Controller to implement the instructions.

Fiscal Impact Statement: Neither the City Administrative Officer nor the CLA has completed a financial analysis on this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

ITEM NO. (4) - ADOPTED

[11-0470](#)
CD 5

HOUSING, COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT relative to description of the pedestrian improvements and funding for the West Third Street Pedestrian Improvements Project.

Recommendations for Council action, pursuant to Motion (Koretz - LaBonge), SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR:

1. AMEND the language in Condition 2c under the approved Covenants and Agreements to include a more general description of pedestrian improvements, as further defined in the executed letter of agreement between Metro and the Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT) for the West Third Pedestrian Improvement Project, rather than be limited to fund a new traffic signal and mid-block crossing, at La Jolla Avenue and Third Street.
2. AUTHORIZE the LADOT to receive the \$100,000 contribution from Caruso Affiliated and to appropriate the \$100,000 to the Transportation Grant Fund No. 655 for the West Third Pedestrian Improvement Project (Grant or Project ID F3635), account to be designated by the LADOT.

3. AUTHORIZE the Chief Legislative Analyst (CLA) to make any technical corrections or clarifications to the above instructions in order to effectuate the intent of the motion.

Fiscal Impact Statement: Neither the City Administrative Officer nor the CLA has completed a financial analysis on this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

Items for Which Public Hearings Have Not Been Held - Items 5-12

(10 Votes Required for Consideration)

Roll Call #2 - Adopted, Ayes (10); Absent: Huizar, Koretz, Krekorian, Reyes and Smith (5)
(Item Nos. 5a-5e, 6-11)

ITEM NO. (5) - ADOPTED

[11-0005-S226](#)

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 April 7, 2011:

[11-0005-S226](#)

CD 1

- a. Property at 1870 West 20th Street (Case No. 12623).
Assessor I.D. No. 5075-030-007

(Notice of Acceptance into the REAP/Rent Reduction Program was sent on June 15, 2006)

[11-0005-S227](#)

CD 9

- b. Property at 1144 East 51st Street (Case No. 257430).
Assessor I.D. No. 5104-001-006

(Notice of Acceptance into the REAP/Rent Reduction Program was sent on December 29, 2009)

[11-0005-S228](#)

CD 15

- c. Property at 1317 West Anaheim Street (Case No. 165144).
Assessor I.D. No. 7411-005-022

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

[11-0005-S229](#)

CD 15

- d. Property at 1317 West Anaheim Street (Case No. 210451).
Assessor I.D. No. 7411-005-022

(Notice of Acceptance into the REAP/Rent Reduction Program was sent on November 13, 2008)

[11-0005-S230](#)

CD 8

- e. Property at 127 West 104th Street (Case No. 277825).
Assessor I.D. No. 6074-001-030

(Notice of Acceptance into the REAP/Rent Reduction Program was sent on December 2, 2010)

ITEM NO. (6) - ADOPTED

[09-1638-S1](#)

CD 4

CONSIDERATION OF MOTION (LABONGE - KORETZ - HUIZAR) relative to waiving the bond requirement for the contractor of the Cahuenga Boulevard West Traffic Signal and median project.

Recommendation for Council action:

REQUEST the City Engineer to waive, pursuant to Section 62.105 (b) of the Los Angeles Municipal Code, the bond requirement for the contractor of the Cahuenga Boulevard West Traffic Signal and Median Project, as further described in the text of this Motion.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

(Public Works Committee waived consideration of the above matter)

ITEM NO. (7) - ADOPTED

[11-0596](#)

CD 10

MOTION (WESSON - KORETZ) relative to funding for the installation of trees and permanent neighborhood markers in the South Robertson area in Council District 10.

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

1. TRANSFER/APPROPRIATE/ALLOCATE \$30,000 in the Neighborhood Empowerment Trust Fund No. 44B/47, Account No. 1046 (South Robertson Neighborhood Council) to a new account in the Council District 10 Public Benefits Trust Fund No. 50R/14, entitled "South Robertson Neighborhoods Council" to be used for the installation of trees and permanent neighborhood markers in the South Robertson area, as further described in the text of this Motion.
2. AUTHORIZE the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment to make any technical corrections or clarifications to the above instructions in order to effectuate the intent of this Motion.

ITEM NO. (8) - ADOPTED

[11-0011-S11](#)

CD 11

MOTION (ROSENDAHL - KORETZ) relative to funding for various transit related projects, sidewalk projects, curb/sidewalk improvements, beautification projects needed to improve conditions for public transit patrons and all expenses relating to or incidental thereto, as well as for general services to the community in Council District 11.

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

1. TRANSFER/APPROPRIATE the unallocated, unencumbered balance in the Council District 11 portion of the Street Furniture Revenue Fund No. 43D/50 to the General City Purposes Fund No. 100/56, Account No. 0711, (CD-11 Community Services) to provide funding for the following: purchase of a water meter for community garden under construction at Orville Wright Middle School; funding for the Obregon Memorial Statue; funding for the Japanese American commemorative marker at the corner of Lincoln and Venice Boulevards; funding for enhanced graffiti abatement efforts throughout Council District 11; and various curb/sidewalk improvements, beautification projects needed to improve conditions for public transit patrons and all expenses relating or incidental thereto in Council District 11.
2. AUTHORIZE the City Clerk to make any technical corrections or clarifications to the above fund transfer instructions in order to effectuate the intent of this Motion.

ITEM NO. (9) - ADOPTED

[11-0601](#)

MOTION (ZINE - GARCETTI) relative to changing the regularly scheduled meeting time of the Audits and Governmental Efficiency Committee from the first and third Tuesday of each month at 2:00 p.m. to the second and fourth Tuesday of each month at 2:00 p.m.

Recommendation for Council action:

CHANGE, pursuant to Section 2.2 of the Administrative Code, the regularly scheduled meeting time of the Audits and Governmental Efficiency Committee from the first and third Tuesday of each month at 2:00 p.m. to the second and fourth Tuesday of each month at 2:00 p.m.; this change to be effective upon the adoption of this Motion.

ITEM NO. (10) - ADOPTED

[02-0010-S71](#)

MOTION (ROSENDAHL - PARKS) relative to reinstating the reward offer in the death of Michael Alan Treanor for an additional six months.

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

REAFFIRM Council's findings and REINSTATE the reward offer relative to the death of Michael Alan Treanor (Council action of December 20, 2002, Council file No. 02-0010-S71) for an additional period of six months from the publication of the offer of reward by the Office of the City Clerk and, further, that the sum of \$50,000 shall be the aggregate maximum sum of any payment or payments of a City reward in this instance.

ITEM NO. (11) - ADOPTED - FORTHWITH

[09-2596-S1](#)

CD 8

MOTION (PARKS - PERRY) relative to installing street banners announcing the Empowerment Congress Central Area Neighborhood Development Council (ECCANDC), a certified Neighborhood Council, to encourage and support the active participation of the community in ECCANDC activities and programs.

Recommendations for Council action:

1. APPROVE the street banner program announcing the ECCANDC, as a City of Los Angeles Event Street Banner Program.
2. APPROVE the content of the street banners for the above specified event.

ITEM NO. (12) - ADOPTED

Roll Call #5 - Adopted, Ayes (12); Absent: Huizar, Smith and Zine (3)

[11-0597](#)

RESOLUTION (HUIZAR for REYES - LABONGE - PERRY - PARKS) relative to declaring April 15, 2011 as Jackie Robinson Day in the City of Los Angeles.

Recommendation for Council action:

RESOLVE to DECLARE April 15, 2011 as Jackie Robinson Day in the City of Los Angeles.

Items Noticed for Public Hearing - Items 13-15

**Roll Call #3 - Adopted, Ayes (10); Absent: Huizar, Koretz, Krekorian, Reyes and Smith (5)
(Item Nos. 13-14)**

**ITEM NO. (13) - PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED - MOTION ADOPTED TO GRANT APPLICATION -
SEE FOLLOWING**

[11-0330](#)

CD 9

CONTINUED CONSIDERATION OF HEARING COMMENTS relative to application for determination of "Public Convenience or Necessity" for alcohol sales for on- and off-site consumption at Buzz Wine Beer Shop located at 460 South Spring Street, Unit No. 3, Los Angeles, 90013.

Application filed by: Buzzboyz, Inc. (Elizabeth Peterson, representative)

TIME LIMIT FILE - APRIL 18, 2011

(LAST DAY FOR COUNCIL ACTION - APRIL 15, 2011)

(Findings and Council recommendations required relative to the above application)

ADOPTED

MOTION (PERRY - PARKS)

Recommendations for Council action:

1. **DETERMINE** that the issuance of a liquor license at **Buzz Wine Shop** located at **460 South Spring Street, Los Angeles, 90013**, will serve the **“Public Convenience or Necessity”** and will not tend to create a law enforcement problem.
2. **GRANT** the application for Determination of **“Public Convenience or Necessity”** for the sale of alcoholic beverages for on-and off-site consumption at **460 South Spring Street**.
3. **INSTRUCT** the City Clerk to transmit this determination to the State Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control as the required findings under **Business and Professions Code Section 23958.4**.

ITEM NO. (14) - PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED - MOTION ADOPTED TO GRANT APPLICATION

[11-0548](#)

CD 9

CONTINUED CONSIDERATION OF HEARING COMMENTS relative to application for determination of **“Public Convenience or Necessity”** for alcohol sales for off-site consumption at **Numero Uno Market** located at **4700-12 South Broadway**.

Recommendations for Council action:

1. **DETERMINE** that the issuance of a liquor license at **Numero Uno Market** located at **4700-12 South Broadway, Los Angeles, 90037**, will serve the **“Public Convenience or Necessity”** and will not tend to create a law enforcement problem.
2. **GRANT** the application for determination of **“Public Convenience or Necessity”** for the sale of alcoholic beverages for off-site consumption at **4700-12 South Broadway**.
3. **INSTRUCT** the City Clerk to transmit this determination to the State Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control as the required findings under **Business and Professions Code Section 23958.4**.

Application filed by: Numero Uno Acquisitions, LLC (Nicole Smith,
The Katherman Company, representative)

TIME LIMIT FILE - MAY 19, 2011

(LAST DAY FOR COUNCIL ACTION - MAY 18, 2011)

ITEM NO. (15) - CONTINUED TO MAY 6, 2011

Roll Call #6 - Adopted to Continue, Unanimous Vote (12); Absent: Huizar, Smith and Zine (3)

[10-1519](#)

CD 5

CONTINUED CONSIDERATION OF HEARING PROTESTS relative to the vacation of Angelo Drive northwesterly of Davies Drive from its northerly terminus to approximately 300 feet southerly thereof (VAC E1400931).

(Categorical Exemption, Communication from the City Engineer and Findings adopted on March 9, 2011)

MOTION ADOPTED UPON FINDINGS BY COUNCIL THAT THE NEED TO TAKE ACTION AROSE SUBSEQUENT TO THE POSTING OF THE COUNCIL AGENDA FOR FRIDAY, APRIL 15, 2011 PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54954.2(b)(2) AND COUNCIL RULE 23

ADOPTED - FORTHWITH

Roll Call #7 - Motion (Rosendahl - Garcetti) Findings on Need to Act - Adopted, Ayes (12); Absent: Huizar, Smith and Zine (3)

Roll Call #8 - Motion (Rosendahl - Garcetti) Adopted, Ayes (12); Absent: Huizar, Smith and Zine (3)

[11-0002-S61](#)

RESOLUTION (ROSENDAHL - GARCETTI) relative to City's position on legislation and administrative action which would grant to Joseph Sekajugo Bokombe an extension to his Visa.

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

RESOLVE to include in the City's 2011 and 2012 Federal Legislative Program SUPPORT for any legislation and administrative action which would grant to Joseph Sekajugo Bokombe, a gay man from Uganda, an extension to his visa and possible permanent residency so that he is not sent back to Uganda, where he faces the threat of violence solely because of his sexual orientation.

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

[11-0630](#)

MOTION (KREKORIAN - LABONGE) relative to requesting the hours of operation at Verdugo Mountain Park be in accordance with the sunrise and sunset policy of the Department of Recreation and Parks.

[11-0631](#)

MOTION (REYES - PERRY) relative to funding for the Anahuak Soccer League to help document personal memories of the Los Angeles River.

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

[11-0632](#)

RESOLUTION (ROSENDAHL - KORETZ) relative to declaring the Month of April, 2011 as DMV/Donate Life California Month in the City of Los Angeles.

[11-0633](#)

RESOLUTION (ALARCON - WESSON) relative to declaring the Month of April, 2011 as Workforce Development Month in the City of Los Angeles.

COUNCILMEMBERS' REQUESTS FOR EXCUSE FROM COUNCIL MEETINGS

Upon his request, and without objections, Councilmember Smith was excused to arrive at 11:00 a.m. for the Council session of Wednesday, June 22, 2011 due to City business.

Upon his request, and without objections, Councilmember Zine was excused from Council sessions of Tuesday, July 19, 2011 and Wednesday, July 20, 2011 both due to City business.

Upon his request, and without objections, Councilmember Wesson was excused from Council session of Friday, May 13, 2011 due to personal business.

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

- [11-0003-S1](#) - John Rukavina (Hahn)
- Monroe Smith (Wesson)
- Dr. Norman Mirman (Koretz - Rosendahl - All Councilmembers)

Alarcón, Cárdenas, Hahn, Koretz, Krekorian, LaBonge, Parks, Perry, Reyes, Rosendahl, Wesson, and President Garcetti (12); Absent: Huizar, Smith and Zine (3)

Whereupon the Council did adjourn.

ATTEST: June Lagmay, CITY CLERK

By

Council Clerk

PRESIDENT OF THE CITY COUNCIL