Los Angeles City Council, Journal/Council Proceedings
Wednesday, August 3, 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, Englander, Krekorian, Parks, Perry, Reyes, Rosendahl, Wesson and Zine (10); Absent: Huizar, Koretz, LaBonge and President Garcetti (4)

APPROVAL OF THE RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNCIL MEETING OF
JULY 29, 2011

COMMENDATORY RESOLUTIONS AND INTRODUCTIONS - SEE PAGE 18

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 1-6

Roll Call #1 - Adopted, Ayes (10); Absent: Huizar, Koretz, LaBonge and President Garcetti (4)
(Item Nos. 1-4)

ITEM NO. (1) - PUBLIC HEARING HELD - CONTINUED HEARING AND ORDINANCE TO BE PRESENTED
ON SEPTEMBER 7, 2011

11-0831
CD 13

HEARING PROTESTS against the proposed improvement and maintenance of the Juanita and Oakwood Avenues Lighting District.

Recommendation for Council action:

HEAR PROTESTS against the proposed improvement and maintenance of the Juanita and Oakwood Avenues Lighting District, in accordance with Sections 6.95-6.127 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code and Proposition 218.

(Ordinance of Intention adopted on June 1, 2011 - Continue hearing and present Ordinance on September 7, 2011 to consider report of protests to be submitted as a result of balloting, pursuant to Proposition 218)
ITEM NO. (2) - PUBLIC HEARING HELD - CONTINUED HEARING AND ORDINANCE TO BE PRESENTED ON SEPTEMBER 7, 2011

11-0832
CD 12

HEARING PROTESTS against the proposed improvement and maintenance of the White Oak Avenue and Lassen Street Lighting District.

Recommendation for Council action:

HEAR PROTESTS against the proposed improvement and maintenance of the White Oak Avenue and Lassen Street Lighting District, in accordance with Sections 6.95-6.127 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code and Proposition 218.

(Ordinance of Intention adopted on June 1, 2011 - Continue hearing and present Ordinance on September 7, 2011 to consider report of protests to be submitted as a result of balloting, pursuant to Proposition 218)

ITEM NO. (3) - PUBLIC HEARING HELD - CONTINUED HEARING AND ORDINANCE TO BE PRESENTED ON SEPTEMBER 7, 2011

11-0833
CD 11

HEARING PROTESTS against the proposed improvement and maintenance of the Missouri and Corinth Avenues Lighting District.

Recommendation for Council action:

HEAR PROTESTS against the proposed improvement and maintenance of the Missouri and Corinth Avenues Lighting District, in accordance with Sections 6.95-6.127 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code and Proposition 218.

(Ordinance of Intention adopted on June 1, 2011 - Continue hearing and present Ordinance on September 7, 2011 to consider report of protests to be submitted as a result of balloting, pursuant to Proposition 218)

ITEM NO. (4) - PUBLIC HEARING HELD - CONTINUED HEARING AND ORDINANCE TO BE PRESENTED ON SEPTEMBER 7, 2011

11-0834
CD 7

HEARING PROTESTS against the proposed improvement and maintenance of the Willis Avenue and Rayen Street Lighting District.

Recommendation for Council action:

HEAR PROTESTS against the proposed improvement and maintenance of the Willis Avenue and Rayen Street Lighting District, in accordance with Sections 6.95-6.127 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code and Proposition 218.
(Ordinance of Intention adopted on June 1, 2011 - Continue hearing and present Ordinance on September 7, 2011 to consider report of protests to be submitted as a result of balloting, pursuant to Proposition

Roll Call #2 - Adopted, Ayes (10); Absent: Huizar, Koretz, LaBonge and President Garcetti (4) (Item Nos. 5-6)

ITEM NO. (5) - PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED - ASSESSMENT CONFIRMED

10-1193
CD 6

HEARING APPEALS against the annual confirmation of assessments for the maintenance of the sidewalks for Van Nuys and Victory Boulevards (and other streets) Sidewalk Maintenance District - W.O. EXX71822.

ITEM NO. (6) - PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED - ASSESSMENT CONFIRMED

11-1077
CD 4

HEARING APPEALS against the annual confirmation of assessments for the maintenance of the sidewalks for Wilshire Miracle Mile Sidewalk Maintenance District - W.O. E6000022.

Items for Which Public Hearings Have Been Held - Items 7-9

ITEM NO. (7) - ADOPTED - ORDINANCE OVER TO AUGUST 10, 2011

Roll Call #3 - Adopted, Ordinance Over One Week, Ayes (10); Absent: Huizar, Koretz, LaBonge and President Garcetti (5)

11-1069
CD 6

MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION, PLANNING AND LAND USE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE REPORT, RESOLUTION and ORDINANCE relative to a General Plan Amendment and Zone Change for property at 11050, 11060 and 11064 West Arminta Street and Add Area: 11007, 11011, 11017, 11023, 11027, 11035, 11051, 11055, 11061, 11065, 11107, 11014, 11038 West Arminta Street and 7843, 7851, 7853, 7857, 7901 North Vineland Avenue.

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

1. FIND that this project will not have a significant effect on the environment, pursuant to the City's Environmental Guidelines and is in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act; that the Mitigated Negative Declaration reflects the independent judgment of the City of Los Angeles; that the documents constituting the record of proceedings in this matter are located in Council file No. 11-1069 in the custody of the City Clerk and in the files of the Department of City Planning in the custody of the Environmental Review Section; and ADOPT the Mitigated Negative Declaration [ENV-2009-1963-MND].
2. ADOPT FINDINGS of City Planning Commission (CPC) as the Findings of the Council.

3. ADOPT the accompanying RESOLUTION as recommended by the Mayor, the Director of Planning and the City Planning Commission (CPC) APPROVING the proposed General Plan Amendment from Low Medium II Residential to Medium Residential, for the subject property and a portion of the Add Area for the demolition of an existing one-story, single-family dwelling at 11060 Arminta Street, and of an existing two-story multi-family structure consisting of 18 units at 11050 Arminta Street for the construction of a new Housing Development Project that will consist of a four-story multi-family building with a maximum height of 45-feet, with 101 units by-right and nine additional units per a density bonus request of 8.9 percent increase, and 214 parking spaces for a total area of 105,137 square feet, subject to Conditions of Approval.

Applicant: Kurken Alyanakian, Arminta Square, L.P.  
CPC 2009 2597-GPA-ZC-DB-SPR

4. PRESENT and ADOPT the accompanying ORDINANCE, approved by the Director of Planning, effecting a Zone Change from R1-1, RD2-1 and (T) RD1.5-1 to (T)(Q)R3-1 for property at 11050, 11060 & 11064 West Arminta Street.

5. REMOVE (T) Tentative classification as described in detail on the sheet(s) attached to the Council file.

6. INSTRUCT the Planning Department to update the General Plan and appropriate maps pursuant to this action.

7. ADVISE the applicant of "Q" Qualified classification time limit as described in the Committee report.

8. ADVISE the applicant that, pursuant to California State Public Resources Code Section 21081.6, the City shall monitor or require evidence that mitigation conditions are implemented and maintained throughout the life of the project and the City may require any necessary fees to cover the cost of such monitoring.

9. ADVISE the applicant that, pursuant to State Fish and Game Code Section 711.4, a Fish and Game Fee and/or Certificate of Fee Exemption is now required to be submitted to the County Clerk prior to or concurrent with the Environmental Notice of Determination filing.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The CPC reports that there is no General Fund impact, as administrative costs are recovered through fees.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

TIME LIMIT FILE - SEPTEMBER 4, 2011
(LAST DAY FOR COUNCIL ACTION - AUGUST 19, 2011)
ITEM NO. (8) - ADOPTED - ORDINANCE OVER TO AUGUST 10, 2011

Roll Call #7 - Adopted, Ordinance Over One Week, Ayes (11); Absent: Koretz, LaBonge and President Garcetti (3)

09-0632

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE REPORT and ORDINANCE FIRST CONSIDERATION relative to prohibiting the purchase of animals on public streets or sidewalks in the City of Los Angeles.

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

PRESENT and ADOPT the accompanying ORDINANCE amending Section 53.42 of Article 3, Chapter 5 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code to prohibit the purchase of animals on public streets or sidewalks in the City of Los Angeles.

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

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

(Transportation Committee waived consideration of the above matter)

ITEM NO. (9) - ADOPTED

Roll Call #3 - Adopted, Ayes (10); Absent: Huizar, Koretz, LaBonge and President Garcetti (4)

11-1187

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE REPORT relative to a Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT) contract with MyTransitPlus for the coordination and administration of the Cityride Program.

Recommendation for Council action:

AUTHORIZE the General Manager, LADOT, to execute a contract with MyTransitPlus to provide services as the Cityride Program Coordinator for a period of five years with total compensation not to exceed $5,163,935 over the term of the contract, subject to the approval of the City Attorney as to form and legality.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The City Administrative Officer reports that this action will not impact the General Fund. Funding for Cityride Program Coordinator services are provided through the City's Proposition A Local Transit Assistance Fund. Sufficient funding for the first year of this contract is available in the 2011-12 Adopted Budget. Funding for future years of this proposed contract will be provided annual budgets, subject to the availability of Proposition A funds.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.
Items for Which Public Hearings Have Not Been Held - Items 10-23
(10 Votes Required for Consideration)

ITEM NO. (10) - CONTINUED TO AUGUST 10, 2011

Roll Call #10 - Adopted to Continue, Unanimous Vote (10); Absent: Huizar, Koretz, LaBonge and President Garcetti (4)

11-1100-S8

COMMUNICATION FROM CHAIR, RULES AND ELECTIONS COMMITTEE and ORDINANCES FIRST CONSIDERATION relative to amending the Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC) to clarify contract bidder contribution and fundraising restrictions and related matters and amending the Los Angeles Administrative Code (LAAC) to revise the Matching Funds Trust Fund.

SUBMIT WITHOUT RECOMMENDATION the recommendations of the City Attorney:

A. OPTION A

PRESENT and ADOPT the accompanying ORDINANCE amending the City's Campaign Finance Ordinance, found in LAMC Section 49.7.1, et seq., to implement Charter Sections 470(c)(12) and 609(e) regarding restricting contributions and fundraising from contract bidders and proposers and related requirements and to make other technical changes to implement Measure H approved by the voters in March 2011.

B. OPTION B (Prohibited Fundraising)

PRESENT and ADOPT the accompanying ORDINANCE amending the City's Campaign Finance Ordinance, LAMC Section 49.7.1 et seq. to implement Charter Sections 470(c)(12) and 609(e) regarding restricting contributions and fundraising from contract bidders and proposers and related requirements and to make other technical changes to implement Measure H approved by the voters in March 2011.

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

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

Roll Call #11 - Adopted to Continue, Unanimous Vote (10); Absent: Huizar, Koretz, LaBonge and President Garcetti, (4)
(Item Nos. 11-12)

ITEM NO. (11) - UNANIMOUS CONSENT WITHHELD PURSUANT TO COUNCIL RULE 39 - ORDINANCES OVER TO AUGUST 10, 2011

11-1241
11-1241-S1

COMMUNICATION FROM CHAIR, RULES AND ELECTIONS COMMITTEE and ORDINANCES FIRST CONSIDERATION relative to the impact of recent United States Supreme Court decision in Arizona Free Enterprise Club v. Bennett concerning campaign matching funds and the suspension
of Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC) subsections concerning matching funds trigger provisions and spending limit provisions for participating candidates for the special primary and possible runoff election that will be held to fill a prospective vacancy in Council District 15.

1. SUBMIT WITHOUT RECOMMENDATION the recommendations of the City Attorney:

   a. PRESENT and ADOPT the accompanying ORDINANCE relating to the special primary and possible runoff election that will be held in the City of Los Angeles for the purpose of filling a prospective vacancy in the Fifteenth Council District to suspend subsections of LAMS Section 49.7.22 concerning matching funds trigger provisions for participating candidates.

   b. PRESENT and ADOPT the accompanying the ORDINANCE suspending subsections of LAMC Section 49.7.13 and 49.7.22 concerning matching funds and spending limit provisions for the special primary and runoff election that will be held to fill a prospective vacancy in Council District 15.

2. REQUEST the City Attorney to prepare an ordinance to make the Council District 15 candidates automatically eligible for the 3:1 match and general election candidates eligible for a maximum of $150,000 instead of $125,000.

   Fiscal Impact Statement: None submitted by the City Attorney. 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. (12) - UNANIMOUS CONSENT WITHHELD PURSUANT TO COUNCIL RULE 39 - ORDINANCE OVER TO AUGUST 10, 2011

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CITY ATTORNEY and ORDINANCE FIRST CONSIDERATION relative to suspension of matching funds provisions in Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC) Sections 49.7.20 and 49.7.22 for the special primary and runoff election to be held to fill the vacancy in Council District 15.

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

PRESENT and ADOPT the accompanying ORDINANCE relating to the special primary and possible runoff election that will be held in the City of Los Angeles for the purpose of filling a prospective vacancy in Council District 15 to suspend LAMC subsections of Sections 49.7.20 and 49.7.22 concerning matching funds provisions for participating candidates.

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

   Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

   (Rules and Elections Committee waived consideration of the above matter)
ITEM NO. (13) - ADOPTED

11-0005-S464 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 August 3, 2011:

11-0005-S464
CD 1

a. Property at 1218 South Elden Avenue (Case No. 221234).
   Assessor I.D. No. 5076-017-004

   (Notice of Acceptance into the REAP/Rent Reduction Program was sent on May 7, 2009)

11-0005-S465
CD 1

b. Property at 1218 South Eden Avenue (Case No. 291400).
   Assessor I.D. No. 5076-017-004

   (Notice of Acceptance into the REAP/Rent Reduction Program was sent on May 27, 2010)

11-0005-S466
CD 1

c. Property at 1951 North Isabel Street (Case No. 7894).
   Assessor I.D. No. 5455-002-024

   (Notice of Acceptance into the REAP/Rent Reduction Program was sent on October 21, 2004)

11-0005-S467
CD 10

d. Property at 1820 South La Brea Avenue (Case No. 137352).
   Assessor I.D. No. 5067-013-025

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

ITEM NO. (14) - ADOPTED

10-1709-S1

COMMUNICATION FROM CHAIR, PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE relative to the donation of flea and tick treatments for use by the Department of Animal Services.
Recommendation for Council action, SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR:

ACCEPT the donation of flea and tick treatments with an estimated value of $40,601 to $135,165, from Bayer Healthcare for use by the Department of Animal Services, and THANK the donor for this generous donation.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The Department of Animal Services reports that this donation saves the Department a minimum of $50,000 from account 3190, Medical Supplies. The donation is a high quality flea and tick treatment, which is mandatory for the comfort and care of the animals in City shelters.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

ITEM NO. (15) - ADOPTED, AS AMENDED - SEE FOLLOWING

Roll Call #12 - To Adopt as Amended, Ayes (11); Absent: Koretz, LaBonge and President Garcetti (3)

11-1293

COMMUNICATION FROM CHAIR, RULES AND ELECTIONS COMMITTEE relative to adjusting campaign contribution and spending limits.

SUBMIT WITHOUT RECOMMENDATION the recommendations contained in Motion (Englander - Krekorian - et al.):

1. DIRECT the City Ethics Commission, the assistance of the Chief Legislative Analyst (CLA), to provide the Council within 30 days a report on options to adjust campaign contribution and spending limits for all City offices from their 1990 value to their present day value according to the Consumer Price Index (CPI) for the Los Angeles-Long Beach metropolitan statistical area beginning at the start of the Fiscal Year 2012-13.

2. INSTRUCT the City Ethics Commission to include in its report options to raise campaign contribution and spending limits and adjust all contribution and spending according to the CPI for the Los Angeles-Long Beach metropolitan statistical area at the start of every City fiscal year commencing with Fiscal Year 2012-13 and to specify the new amounts of all CPI-adjusted limits.

3. DIRECT the CLA to assist the City Ethics Commission to provide the Council within 30 days a report with similar options for adjusting officeholder committee contribution limits and spending limits.

4. REQUEST the City Attorney report on all legal ramifications for adjusting campaign and officeholder contribution and spending limits based on the above methodology.

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

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.
ADOPTED

MOTION (ENGLANDER - CARDENAS)

Recommendation for Council action:

DIRECT the City Ethics Commission, with the assistance of the Chief Legislative Analyst, to provide the Council within 30-60 days a report on options to adjust campaign contribution and spending limits for all City offices from their 1990 value to their present day value according to the Consumer Price Index for the Los Angeles-Long Beach metropolitan statistical area beginning at the start of the Fiscal Year 2012-13.

ITEM NO. (16) - ADOPTED

Roll Call #13 - Adopted, Ayes (11); Absent: Koretz, LaBonge and President Garcetti (3)

11-1297 COMMUNICATION FROM CHAIR, RULES AND ELECTIONS COMMITTEE relative to the Chief Legislative Analyst (CLA), City Ethics Commission, and City Clerk to report back to Council on a comprehensive reform plan of the City's Public Matching Funds system.

SUBMIT WITHOUT RECOMMENDATION the recommendation contained in Motion (Huizar - Rosendahl) to DIRECT the CLA, the City Ethics Commission, and the Office of the City Clerk, in consultation with stakeholders as necessary, to study and report back to the Los Angeles City Council within 90 days on a comprehensive reform plan of the City's Public Matching Funds system.

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

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

Roll Call #4 - Adopted, Ayes (10); Absent: Huizar, Koretz, LaBonge and President Garcetti (4) (Item Nos. 17-18)

ITEM NO. (17) - ADOPTED

11-0809-S2 COMMUNICATION FROM THE CITY TREASURER relative to the Investment Report for the month ending March 31, 2011.

Recommendation for Council action:

NOTE and FILE the City Treasurer’s Investment Report for the month ending March 31, 2011.

Fiscal Impact Statement: Not applicable.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.
ITEM NO. (18) - ADOPTED

11-0809-S3
COMMUNICATION FROM THE CITY TREASURER relative to the Investment Report for the month ending April 30, 2011.

Recommendation for Council action:

NOTE and FILE the City Treasurer’s Investment Report for the month ending April 30, 2011.

Fiscal Impact Statement: Not applicable.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

ITEM NO. (19) - ADOPTED - TO THE MAYOR FORTHWITH

Roll Call #14 - Adopted, Ayes (11); Absent: Koretz, LaBonge and President Garcetti (3)

11-0600-S138
CONSIDERATION OF MOTION (PARKS - ENGLANDER) relative to funding a contract with Strategic Treasurer to conduct a treasury diagnostic and liquidity study.

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

1. REAPPROPRIATE $120,000 from Fiscal Year 2010-11 uncommitted balance in the Treasurer Fund No. 100/96, Account 3040, Contractual Services to the Office of Finance Fund No. 100/39, Account 3040, Contractual Services, for a treasury diagnostic and liquidity study previously authorized in the 2010-11 Year End Financial Status Report for which funding was not committed prior to the end of the 2010-11 fiscal year.

2. AUTHORIZE the Director of Finance, or designee, to execute a contract with Strategic Treasurer in an amount not to exceed $180,000, to conduct a treasury diagnostic and liquidity study to be paid with available funding in the 2011-12 Office of Finance Contractual Services account, subject to the approval of the City Attorney as to form.

3. AUTHORIZE the City Administrative Officer to make technical corrections as necessary to the above transactions to implement the Mayor and Council's intentions.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

(Budget and Finance Committee waived consideration of the above matter)
Roll Call #4 -  Adopted, Ayes (10); Absent: Huizar, Koretz, LaBonge and President Garcetti (4) (Item Nos. 20-21)

ITEM NO. (20) - ADOPTED

11-0184
11-0184-S1
CD 13

CONSIDERATION OF MOTIONS (GARCETTI - REYES) and (ZINE for GARCETTI - LABONGE) relative to waiving roadway improvements regarding property at 1308 Maltman Avenue, and that the property owner be required to improve Maltman Avenue adjoining the subdivision repairing or replacing any broken or off-grade curb, gutter and sidewalk.

Recommendation for Council action:

DIRECT the Planning Department to waive roadway improvements relative to the property at 1308 Maltman Avenue, and that the property owner be required to improve Maltman Avenue adjoining the subdivision by repairing or replacing any broken or off-grade curb, gutter and sidewalk.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

(Planning and Land Use Management and Public Works Committees’ waived consideration of the above matter)

ITEM NO. (21) - ADOPTED

11-1324
CD 10

MOTION (WESSON - KORETZ) relative to funding for the Palms Neighborhood Utility Box Mural Project.

Recommendations for Council action:

1. UTILIZE $15,400 in the Palms Beautification Account in the Council District 10 Real Property Trust Fund No. 692 to fund any aspect of the services provided by LA Commons to complete the Palms Neighborhood Utility Box Mural Project for up to eight boxes in the Palms area.

2. DIRECT the City Clerk to prepare the necessary document(s) with, and/or payment(s) to, LA Commons, or any other agency or organization, as appropriate, in the above amount, for the above purpose, subject to the approval of the City Attorney, if needed, and AUTHORIZE the Councilmember of the District to execute any such documents on behalf of the City.

3. AUTHORIZE the City Clerk to make any technical corrections, adjustments or clarifications to the above instructions in order to effectuate the intent of this Motion
ITEM NO. (22) - ADOPTED, AS AMENDED - TO THE MAYOR FORTHWITH - SEE FOLLOWING

Roll Call #9 - To Adopt as Amended, Ayes (11); Absent: Koretz, LaBonge and President Garcetti (3)

11-0010-S36
MOTION (KREKORIAN - KORETZ) relative to an offer of reward for information leading to the identification, apprehension, and conviction of the person(s) responsible for the death of Victoria Ramirez on August 6, 2006.

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

1. PROVIDE an offer of reward in the amount of $25,000 for information leading to the identification, apprehension, and conviction of the person(s) responsible for the death of Victoria Ramirez on August 6, 2006.

2. FIND that the subject reward complies with the provisions of Chapter 12, Article 1, Division 19, of the Los Angeles Administrative Code.

3. DIRECT the City Clerk to publish the required notices and/or advertisements to effectuate this reward.

ADOPTED
MOTION (KREKORIAN - ENGLANDER)

Recommendation for Council action:

AMEND to delete the text “$25,000” from finding number 4 and insert the text “$50,000” thereby increasing the offer of reward by a sum of $25,000.

ITEM NO. (23) - ADOPTED

Roll Call #8 - Adopted, Ayes (11); Absent: Koretz, LaBonge and President Garcetti (3)

11-1336
CDs 9 & 14

MOTION (HUIZAR - PERRY - ENGLANDER) relative to instructing the Bureau of Street Services to convene a Task Force to review immediate public safety measures for the Art Walk on August 11, 2011.

Recommendations for Council action:

1. INSTRUCT the Bureau of Street Services to convene a Task Force comprised of various City departments (Public Works Bureaus, Transportation, Police, Planning, Fire, Building and Safety, City Attorney, representatives from Council Districts Nine and 14, and a member from the Los Angeles County Health) to review immediate public safety measures that might be implemented in time for the upcoming August, 11, 2011 Art Walk, such as potential parking restrictions, parking lot and food truck requirements, sidewalk vending and pedestrian flow improvements,
and overall crowd control measures.

2. INSTRUCT the Task Force to review long-term measures and prepare an assessment of the Downtown Art Walk program (located on Spring and Main Streets between Second and Ninth Streets, but also including outlying areas, such as the Fashion District, Broadway and other areas where Art Walk related-events are held) as part of a comprehensive review of public safety issues associated with the event; such report to be returned to the Public Works Committee within 60 days.

Closed Sessions - Items 24-28

Roll Call #5 - Adopted in Open Session, Ayes (10); Absent: Huizar, Koretz, LaBonge and President Garcetti (4)
(Item Nos. 24-25)

ITEM NO. (24) - MOTION ADOPTED IN OPEN SESSION - SEE FOLLOWING

11-1080

The City Council shall recess to Closed Session, pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(a), to confer with its legal counsel relative to the case entitled Saul Diaz v. City of Los Angeles, Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC 437912. (This matter arises from an incident that occurred on May 19, 2008.)

(Budget and Finance Committee considered the above matter in Closed Session on July 25, 2011)

ADOPTED

MOTION (PARKS - ENGLANDER)

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

ADOPT the following recommendations of the City Attorney in order to effect settlement in the case entitled Saul Diaz v. City of Los Angeles, Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC 437912, SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR:

1. AUTHORIZE the City Attorney to expend $125,000 in settlement of the above entitled matter from City Attorney Fund 100/59, Account No. 9770.

2. AUTHORIZE the City Attorney to draw demands payable in three separate drafts as follows:
   a. $25,000 made payable to the Law Offices of Jimmie W. Kang and Noe Diaz
   b. $75,000 made payable to the Law Offices of Jimmie W. Kang and Erik Ayala
   c. $25,000 made payable to the Law Offices of Jimmie W. Kang and Saul Diaz

3. AUTHORIZE the City Attorney, or designee, to prepare Controller instructions for any necessary technical adjustments, and subject to the approval of the City Administrative
Officer and AUTHORIZE the Controller to implement the instructions.

This matter was approved by the Budget and Finance Committee (Parks - Rosendahl - Huizar - Koretz “yes”) at its meeting on July 25, 2011, in Closed Session as permitted by Government Code Section 54956.9(a).

ITEM NO. (25) - MOTION ADOPTED IN OPEN SESSION - SEE FOLLOWING

11-1081

The City Council shall recess to Closed Session, pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(a), to confer with its legal counsel relative to the case entitled Guadalupe S. Juarez v. Jorge Luis Oseguera, Los Angeles Superior Court (LASC) Case No.: BC 425329 and Ruiling Zhen v. Jorge Luis Oseguera, LASC Case No. BC 434896. (This matter involves a traffic accident that occurred on February 25, 2009.)

(Budget and Finance Committee considered the above matter in Closed Session on July 25, 2011)

ADOPTED

MOTION (PARKS - ENGLANDER)

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

1. AUTHORIZE the City Attorney to expend $165,000 in settlement of the above entitled matter from City Attorney Fund 100/59, Account No. 9770.

2. AUTHORIZE the City Attorney to draw a demand thereon in said amount and made payable as follows:

   a. $137,000 made payable to Johnston & Hutchinson, LLP and Ruiling Zhen

   b. $25,000 made payable to Johnston & Hutchinson, LLP and Danan Guan

   c. $3,000 made payable to Johnston & Hutchinson, LLP and Danan Guan as Guardian ad Litem for Zuyi Guan

3. AUTHORIZE the City Attorney, or designee, to prepare Controller instructions for any necessary technical adjustments, and subject to the approval of the City Administrative Officer and AUTHORIZE the Controller to implement the instructions.

This matter was approved by the Budget and Finance Committee (Parks - Rosendahl - Huizar - Koretz “yes”) at its meeting on July 25, 2011, in Closed Session as permitted by Government Code Section 54956.9(a).
ITEM NO. (26) - MOTION ADOPTED IN OPEN SESSION

Roll Call #15 - Adopted in Open Session, Ayes (11); Absent: Koretz, LaBonge and President Garcetti (3)

11-1205

The City Council shall recess to Closed Session, pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(a), to confer with its legal counsel relative to the case entitled William Larkin v. City of Los Angeles, Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC 365114. (This lawsuit arises from a Los Angeles Police Officer’s claims of disability discrimination, failure to accommodate a disability, and failure to engage in the interactive process.)

(Budget and Finance Committee considered the above matter in Closed Session on July 25, 2011)

ADOPTED

MOTION (PARKS - ENGALNDER)

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

1. AUTHORIZE the City Attorney to expend $825,000 in settlement of the above entitled matter from City Attorney Fund 100/59, Account No. 9770.

2. AUTHORIZE the City Attorney to draw a demand thereon in said amount payable to: Law Office of John Derrick, Mullen & Henzell, and William Larkin.

3. AUTHORIZE the City Attorney, or designee, to prepare Controller instructions for any necessary technical adjustments, and subject to the approval of the City Administrative Officer and AUTHORIZE the Controller to implement the instructions.

This matter was approved by the Budget and Finance Committee (Parks - Rosendahl - Englander - Huizar - Koretz “yes”) at its meeting on July 25, 2011, in Closed Session as permitted by Government Code Section 54956.9(a).

Roll Call #5 - Adopted in Open Session, Ayes (10); Absent: Huizar, Koretz, LaBonge and President Garcetti (4)

(Item Nos. 27-28)

ITEM NO. (27) - MOTION ADOPTED IN OPEN SESSION

11-1276

The City Council shall recess to Closed Session, pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(a), to confer with its legal counsel relative to the case entitled Jimmy Grayson v. City of Los Angeles, EAMS Nos.: ADJ2544399; ADJ4576819. (Claimant alleges he sustained personal injuries during the course and scope of his employment as a Police Officer with the Los Angeles Police Department.)

(Budget and Finance Committee waived consideration of the above matter)
ADOPTED

MOTION (PARKS - ENGLANDER)

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

1. AUTHORIZE the City Attorney to enter into a settlement in the above-entitled matter through a Stipulated Award in the amount of $264,574.03 which includes $215,247.50 in permanent disability indemnity and a life pension calculated out to $49,326.53. After taking credit for permanent disability advances in the amount of $15,000, the total new money pay-out will be $249,574.03.

2. AUTHORIZE the City Attorney to execute the Stipulated Award with all appropriate parties for submission to the Workers’ Compensation Appeals Board for its award of payment.

(Budget and Finance Committee waived consideration of the above matter)

ITEM NO. (28) - MOTION ADOPTED IN OPEN SESSION

11-1231

The City Council shall recess to Closed Session, pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(a), to confer with its legal counsel relative to the case entitled Manuel Aguilar v. City of Los Angeles, EAMS Nos.: ADJ7503702; ADJ7505670. (Claimant alleges he sustained personal injuries during the course and scope of his employment as a Firefighter with the Los Angeles Fire Department.)

(Budget and Finance Committee considered the above matter in Closed Session on July 25, 2011)

ADOPTED

MOTION (PARKS - ENGLANDER)

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

1. AUTHORIZE the City Attorney to enter into settlements in the above-referenced case as follows:

   a. Claim No. 9003-2007-1025 will be settled by Stipulated Award for 29 percent permanent disability in the amount of $28,692.50, at the weekly rate of $230. After deducting $6,328.06 in permanent disability advances, the total new payout will be $22,364.44.

   b. Claim No. 9003-1979-7316 will be settled by Stipulated Award for 78 percent permanent disability in the amount of $151,537.50 at the weekly rate of $270.

2. AUTHORIZE the City Attorney to execute the Stipulated Award with all appropriate parties for submission to the Workers’ Compensation Appeals Board for its award of payment.
This matter was approved by the Budget and Finance Committee (Parks - Englander - Rosendahl - Huizar - Koretz “yes”) at its meeting on July 25, 2011, in Closed Session as permitted by Government Code Section 54956.9(a).

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

11-1357

MOTION (PARKS - KREKORIAN for GARCETTI) relative to an update on the status of revenue items, other possible revenue proposals for generating, enhancing or improving collection of City revenues and revenue collection efforts (Revenue Day).

11-1356

MOTION (ZINE - PARKS) relative to funding for further support of Council District Three community services efforts.

COMMENDATORY RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED IN HONOR OF:

11-0004 -S2 - Kurt Zerres

Rosendahl - Reyes

At the conclusion of this day's Council Session

ADJOURNING MOTIONS WERE ADOPTED in tribute to the memory of:

11-0003-S2 - Lillian Brown

Ray O’Connor

(Parks) (Reyes - All Councilmembers)

Alarcón, Cárdenas, Englander, Huizar, Krekorian, Parks, Perry, Reyes, Rosendahl, Wesson and Zine (11); Absent: Koretz, LaBonge and President Garcetti (3)

Whereupon the Council did adjourn.

ATTEST: June Lagmay, CITY CLERK

By

Council Clerk

ASSISTANT PRESIDENT OF THE CITY COUNCIL
Regular meeting recessed at 10:27 a.m.
Special meeting convened at 10:27 a.m.
Special meeting adjourned at 10:29 a.m.
Regular meeting convened at 10:29 a.m.