Los Angeles City Council, Journal/Council Proceedings
Friday, May 4, 2012
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: Buscaino, Englander, Garcetti, Huizar, Koretz, Krekorian, LaBonge, Parks, Rosendahl and President Wesson (10); Absent: Alarcón, Cárdenas, Perry, Reyes and Zine (5)


COMMENDATORY RESOLUTIONS AND INTRODUCTIONS - SEE PAGE 6

PUBLIC TESTIMONY ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS AT THE CALL OF THE CHAIR - An opportunity for public testimony was provided.

Item Noticed for Public Hearing - Item 1

ITEM NO. (1) - CONTINUED TO JUNE 5, 2012

Adopted to Continue, Unanimous Vote (10); Absent: Alarcón, Cárdenas, Perry, Reyes and Zine (5)

11-0549
CD 10

CONTINUED CONSIDERATION OF HEARING PROTESTS and ORDINANCE FIRST CONSIDERATION relative to the disestablishment of the Jefferson Park merchant-based Business Improvement District, pursuant to Section 36500 et seq. of the California Streets and Highways Code.

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

1. HEAR PROTESTS against the disestablishment of the Jefferson Park merchant-based Business Improvement District.

2. PRESENT and ADOPT the accompanying ORDINANCE disestablishing the Jefferson Park merchant-based Business Improvement District.

(Pursuant to Council adoption of Ordinance of Intention No. 182082 on March 6, 2012.)

(Continued from Council meeting of April 3, 2012)
Item for Which Public Hearing Has Been Held - Item 2

ITEM NO. (2) - CONTINUED TO MAY 8, 2012

Adopted to Continue, Unanimous Vote (10); Absent: Alarcón, Cárdenas, Perry, Reyes and Zine (5)

11-1141

NEGATIVE DECLARATION, PLANNING AND LAND USE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE REPORT and ORDINANCE FIRST CONSIDERATION relative to amending the Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC) to require on-site shopping cart containment systems for new retail establishments and major remodels that provide six or more shopping carts for use by patrons.

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 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.11-1141 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 Negative Declaration [ENV-2010-1074-ND] filed on May 27, 2010.

2. ADOPT the FINDINGS of the Los Angeles City Planning Commission, including the Environmental Findings, as the Findings of the Council.

3. PRESENT and ADOPT the accompanying ORDINANCE, amending LAMC Subsection F of Section 12.21 to require on-site shopping cart containment systems for new retail establishments and major remodels that provide six or more shopping carts for use by patrons.

Fiscal Impact Statement: None submitted by the Planning Department and 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.

Items for Which Public Hearings Have Not Been Held - Items 3-8
(10 Votes Required for Consideration)

ITEM NO. (3) - ADOPTED - FORTHWITH

Adopted, Ayes (10); Absent: Alarcón, Cárdenas, Perry, Reyes and Zine (5)

12-0429

COMMUNICATION FROM THE MAYOR relative to the appointment of Mr. Alan J. Skobin to the Board of Fire Commissioners.
Recommendation for Council action:

RESOLVE that the Mayor’s appointment of Mr. Alan J. Skobin to the Board of Fire Commissioners for the term ending June 30, 2014, to fill the vacancy created by the resignation Ms. Diana Bonta, is APPROVED and CONFIRMED. Mr. Skobin resides in Council District 12. (New commission gender composition:  M = 3; F = 2)

Ethics Commission Review:  Completed.

Background Check Review:  Pending.

Community Impact Statement:  None submitted.

TIME LIMIT FILE - MAY 7, 2012

(LAST DAY FOR COUNCIL ACTION - MAY 4, 2012)

(Public Safety Committee waived consideration of the above matter)

ITEM NO. (4) - ADOPTED

Adopted, Ayes (10); Absent: Alarcón, Cárdenas, Perry, Reyes and Zine (5)

12-0631

MOTION (PERRY - LABONGE) relative to funding for services in connection with the September 21, 2011, Council District Nine Belize Independence Anniversary in the City Hall Rotunda.

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

APPROPRIATE $500 from the Unappropriated Balance Fund No. 100/58 to the General Services Fund 100/40, as follows:  $297 to Account No. 1090 (Salaries - Overtime) and $203 to Account No. 1070 (Salaries - As Needed) for services in connection with the September 21, 2011, Council District Nine Belize Independence Anniversary in the City Hall Rotunda - said funds to be reimbursed to the General Fund by Belizean Consulate.

ITEM NO. (5) - ADOPTED

Adopted, Ayes (11); Absent: Cárdenas, Perry, Reyes and Zine (4)

12-0632

MOTION (PERRY - LABONGE) relative to funding for services in connection with the March 28, 2012, Council District Nine Norouz Celebration in the City Hall Tom Bradley Room.

Recommendation for Council action, SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR:
APPROPRIATE $870 from the Unappropriated Balance Fund No. 100/58 to the General Services Fund 100/40, as follows: $580 to Account No. 1090 (Salaries - Overtime) and $290 to Account No. 1070 (Salaries - As Needed) for services in connection with the March 28, 2012, Council District Nine Nowruz Celebration in the City Hall Tom Bradley Room - said funds to be reimbursed to the General Fund by IABA.

ITEM NO. (6) - ADOPTED - TO THE MAYOR FORTHWITH

Adopted, Ayes (10); Absent: Alarcón, Cárdenas, Perry, Reyes and Zine (5)

MOTION (PERRY - LABONGE) relative to an offer of reward for information leading to the identification, apprehension, and conviction of the person(s) responsible for the death of Jude Emerson Burns, Jr. on December 31, 2011.

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

1. PROVIDE an offer of reward in the amount of $50,000 for information leading to the identification, apprehension, and conviction of the person(s) responsible for the death of Jude Emerson Burns, Jr. on December 31, 2011.

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.

ITEM NO. (7) - ADOPTED

Adopted, Ayes (10); Absent: Alarcón, Cárdenas, Perry, Reyes and Zine (5)

MOTION (ZINE - ROSENDAHL) relative to installing street banners identifying the Tarzana Safari Walk Business Improvement District (BID) and the Tarzana Neighborhood Council.

Recommendations for Council action:

1. APPROVE the street banner program identifying the Tarzana Safari Walk BID and the Tarzana Neighborhood Council, as a City of Los Angeles Non-Event Street Banner Program.

2. APPROVE the content of the street banner design, attached to the Council file.
ITEM NO. (8) - ADOPTED

Adopted, Ayes (10); Absent: Alarcón, Cárdenas, Perry, Reyes and Zine (5)

12-0634
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MOTION (BUSCAINO - GARCETTI) relative to initiating street vacation proceedings to vacate Solano Avenue from Amador Place to its southeasterly terminus.

Recommendations for Council action:

1. INITIATE street vacation proceedings, pursuant to California Streets and Highways Code, Division 9, Part 3, Public Streets, Highways and Service Easements Vacation Law to vacate Solano Avenue from Amador Place to its southeasterly terminus.

2. DIRECT the Bureau of Engineering to investigate the feasibility of this vacation request.

3. DIRECT the Bureau of Engineering to present its report regarding the feasibility of vacating the requested areas to the Public Works Committee.

4. DIRECT the City Clerk to schedule this request for the City Council’s consideration at the appropriate time under the City’s Street Vacation procedures.

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

10-1835-S1
MOTION (ENGLANDER - GARCETTI) relative to funding representing a reimbursement received from the U.S. Geological Survey for City staff temporarily assigned with that agency.

11-2130-S1
MOTION (LABONGE - GARCETTI) relative to funding to design and install two speed feedback signs along Rowena Avenue, near Ivanhoe Elementary School, between Glendale Boulevard and Hyperion Avenue.

12-0011-S7
MOTION (LABONGE for REYES - GARCETTI) relative to amending prior Council action of April 18, 2012 regarding allocation of Council District One Street Furniture Revenue Funds.
COMMENDATORY RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED IN HONOR OF:

12-0004-S1 - Los Angeles - Berlin Sister Cities 45th Anniversary  
My Three Sons Day  
Sergent Mitchell S. Windsor  

(LaBonge - Garcetti)  
(LaBonge - Buscaino)  
(Rosendahl - Buscaino)

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

12-0003-S1 - Tuskegee Airman Captain (Retired) Claude Davis  
Larry Baptiste  
Junior Seau  
Dr. Marian Sigman  
Ethel Lee Whitehurst Cromwell  
Claude C. Davis  

(Wesson)  
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(LaBonge - All Councilmembers)  
(Rosendahl)  
(Parks - All Councilmembers)  
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Buscaino, Englander, Garcetti, Huizar, Koretz, Krekorian, LaBonge, Parks, Rosendahl, and 
President Wesson (10); Absent: Alarcón, Cárdenas, Perry, Reyes and Zine (5)

Whereupon the Council did adjourn.

ATTEST: June Lagmay, CITY CLERK

By

Council Clerk  
PRESIDENT OF THE CITY COUNCIL