

Los Angeles City Council, **Journal/Council Proceedings**
Friday, **January 4, 2013**
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, Buscaino, Englander, Garcetti, Huizar, Koretz, Krekorian, LaBonge, Reyes, Zine and President Wesson (11); Absent: Parks, Perry, Rosendahl (3)

APPROVAL OF THE RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNCIL MEETING OF
DECEMBER 12, 2012

COMMENDATORY RESOLUTIONS AND INTRODUCTIONS - SEE PAGE 12

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

Items Noticed for Public Hearing - Items 1

ITEM NO. (1) - CONTINUED TO FEBRUARY 5, 2013

Adopted to Continue, Unanimous Vote (11); Absent: PARKS, PERRY, ROSENDAHL (3)

[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 November 6, 2012)

Items for Which Public Hearings Have Been Held - Items 2-4

ITEM NO. (2) - ADOPTED

Adopted, Ayes (11); Absent: PARKS, PERRY, ROSENDAHL (3)

[12-1694](#)

HOUSING, COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the withdrawal of the nomination of Mr. Marc Little for appointment to the Housing Authority of the City of Los Angeles (HACLA) Board of Commissioners.

Recommendation for Council action:

RECEIVE and FILE the October 18, 2012 and November 15, 2012 communications from the Mayor relative to the nomination of Mr. Marc Little for appointment to the HACLA Board of Commissioners for the term ending June 30, 2017, inasmuch as Mr. Little has requested withdrawal from further consideration.

Fiscal Impact Statement: Not applicable.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

ITEM NO. (3) - ADOPTED - TO THE MAYOR FORTHWITH

Adopted, Ayes (9); Noes: ALARCON (1); Absent: PARKS, PERRY, REYES, ROSENDAHL (4)

[12-1907](#)

ORDINANCE SECOND CONSIDERATION approving the transfer of surplus money from the Power Revenue Fund of the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power to the Reserve Fund of the City during Fiscal Year 2012-13.

(Council adopted Communications from the Board of Water and Power Commissioners and City Attorney on December 14, 2012)

ITEM NO. (4) - CONTINUED TO MARCH 19, 2013

Adopted to Continue, Ayes (10); Absent: PARKS, PERRY, REYES, ROSENDAHL (4)

[12-0967](#)

CD 13

CONTINUED CONSIDERATION OF MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION (MND) and PLANNING AND LAND USE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE REPORT relative to an appeal of the MND for property located at 5241-47 Santa Monica Boulevard and 5238-46 Virginia Avenue.

Recommendations for Council action:

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 MND 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. 12-0967 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 MND [ENV-2007-365-MND] filed on October 15, 2010.
2. ADOPT the FINDINGS of the Los Angeles City Planning Commission (LACPC) as the Findings of the Council.
3. RESOLVE TO DENY THE APPEAL filed by Seta Panosian, brought under California Public Resources Code, Section 21151c of the California Environmental Quality Act, from the determination of the LACPC and THEREBY ADOPT MND No. ENV-2007-365-MND in connection with the construction of 49 residential dwelling units, with 20 percent as restricted affordable units, and 14,947 square feet of commercial floor area for the property located at 5241-47 Santa Monica Boulevard and 5238-46 Virginia Avenue, subject to modified Conditions of Approval (attached to the Council file). (The LACPC also approved a Density Bonus Compliance Review for this project.)
4. 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.

Applicant: Karnik Shadbazian
DIR-2009-2065-DB-1A
Representative: Robert Lamishaw, JPL Zoning

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

Community Impact Statement: Yes.
For appeal: East Hollywood Neighborhood Council.

(Continued from Council meeting of December 4, 2012)

Items for Which Public Hearings Have Not Been Held - Items 5-19

(10 Votes Required for Consideration)

ITEM NO. (5) - ADOPTED

Adopted, Ayes (10); Absent: PARKS, PERRY, REYES, ROSENDAHL (4)

[12-1827](#)

CONTINUED CONSIDERATION OF COMMUNICATION FROM THE MAYOR relative to the appointment of Ms. Shashi K. Hanuman to the Affordable Housing Commission.

Recommendation for Council action:

RESOLVE that the Mayor's appointment of Ms. Shashi K. Hanuman to the Affordable Housing Commission for the term ending June 30, 2017 is APPROVED and CONFIRMED. Ms. Hanuman resides in Council District 14. (Current Commission gender composition: M = 3; F = 3; Vacant =1)

Ethics Commission Review: Not required.

Background Check Review: Complete.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

TIME LIMIT FILE - JANUARY 10, 2013

(LAST DAY FOR COUNCIL ACTION - JANUARY 9, 2013)

(Housing, Community and Economic Development Committee waived consideration of the above matter)

(Continued from Council meeting of December 12, 2012)

ITEM NO. (6) - MOTION ADOPTED TO APPROVE - SEE FOLLOWING

Adopted, Ayes (10); Absent: PARKS, PERRY, REYES, ROSENDAHL (4)

[13-1100-S8](#)

CONSIDERATION OF THE SIMPLIFIED "DIGEST" prepared by the Ballot Simplification Committee for two proposed ballot measures appearing on the March 5, 2013, City Primary Nominating ballot, pursuant to Los Angeles Election Code Section 405:

HALF-CENT TRANSACTIONS AND USE TAX MEASURE.

FIRE AND POLICE PENSION PLAN MEASURE.

TIME LIMIT FILE - JANUARY 4, 2013

(LAST DAY FOR COUNCIL ACTION - JANUARY 4, 2013)

ADOPTED

MOTION (LABONGE - KREKORIAN)

Recommendation for Council action:

APPROVE THE SIMPLIFIED "DIGEST" prepared by the Ballot Simplification Committee for two proposed ballot measures appearing on the March 5, 2013, City Primary Nominating ballot, pursuant to Los Angeles Election Code Section 405.

HALF-CENT TRANSACTIONS AND USE TAX MEASURE.

FIRE AND POLICE PENSION PLAN MEASURE.

ITEM NO. (7) - ADOPTED

Adopted, Ayes (11); Absent: PARKS, PERRY, ROSENDAHL (3)

[10-1901-S3](#)

CD 10

MOTION (WESSON - BUSCAINO) relative to funding to establish a new Central West Los Angeles BusinessSource Center in Koreatown/ Wilshire and surrounding areas.

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

1. TRANSFER/APPROPRIATE \$150,000 in AB1290 Fund No. 53P/28, Account No. G304 (Redevelopment Projects - Services) to Community Development Fund No. 551/22 into a new account entitled "AB 1290 Central West Business Resource Center" to establish a new Central West Los Angeles BusinessSource Center in Koreatown/Wilshire and surrounding areas to be operated by Managed Career Solutions.
2. AUTHORIZE/ INSTRUCT the Community Development Department (CDD) to negotiate and execute a contract with Managed Career Solutions, Inc., in the above amount, for the above purpose, for the period July 1, 2012 to June 30, 2013, subject to the approval of the City Attorney as to form.
3. AUTHORIZE the CDD to make any corrections, clarifications or needed new instructions to the above instructions in order to effectuate the intent of this Motion.

ITEM NO. (8) - CONTINUED TO JANUARY 16, 2013

Adopted to Continue, Unanimous Vote (11); Absent: PARKS, PERRY, ROSENDAHL (3)

[12-1757](#)

CD 6

MOTION (WESSON - CARDENAS) relative to amending prior Council action of November 21, 2012 regarding the Communication from the City Clerk on options to fill the vacancy in Council District Six.

Recommendation for Council action:

AMEND prior Council action of November 21, 2012 to delete Recommendation Nos. 2, 3, and 5 from the City Clerk report dated November 7, 2012 relative to funding and staffing, inasmuch as these actions are not needed for the current fiscal year.

ITEM NO. (9) - ADOPTED

Adopted, Ayes (11); Absent: PARKS, PERRY, ROSENDAHL (3)

[12-0010-S49](#)

MOTION (PARKS - PERRY) relative to an offer of reward for information leading to the identification, apprehension, and conviction of the person(s) responsible for the death of Miguel Mendez on November 17, 2012.

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 Miguel Mendez on November 17, 2012.
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. (10) - ADOPTED

Adopted, Ayes (10); Absent: PARKS, PERRY, REYES, ROSENDAHL (4)

[12-0011-S29](#)

CD 4

MOTION (LABONGE - GARCETTI) relative to amending prior Council action of November 21, 2012 regarding an allocation in Council District Four for tree trimming activities/ Hollywood Civic Center.

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

1. AMEND prior Council action of November 21, 2012 relative to the allocation of \$3,125 in Council District Four Street Furniture Revenue funds for Tree Trimming Activities/ Hollywood Civic Center to increase the amount from \$3,125 to \$4,900.
2. AUTHORIZE the Bureau of Street Services to make any corrections, clarifications or revisions to the above fund transfer instructions as well as to the original action, including any new instructions, in order to effectuate the intent of this Motion and the original Council action.

ITEM NO. (11) - ADOPTED

Adopted, Ayes (10); Absent: PARKS, PERRY, REYES, ROSENDAHL (4)

[12-0011-S33](#)

CD 1

MOTION (REYES - PERRY) relative to funding for Avenue 50 sidewalk improvements in Council District One.

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

1. TRANSFER/APPROPRIATE \$50,000 in the Council District One portion of the Street Furniture Revenue Fund No. 43D/50 to Street Services Fund No. 100/86, Account No. 1090 (Salaries, Overtime) for the completion of the Avenue 50 sidewalk improvement plan in Council District One.
2. AUTHORIZE the Bureau of Street Services (BSS) to make any technical corrections or clarifications as necessary to the above instruction in order to effectuate the intent of this Motion.
3. INSTRUCT the BSS to begin construction on the above project/plan no later than the last Sunday in January, 2013.

ITEM NO. (12) - ADOPTED

Adopted, Ayes (10); Absent: PARKS, PERRY, REYES, ROSENDAHL (4)

[12-1922](#)

CD 13

MOTION (BUSCAINO - GARCETTI) relative to initiating street vacation proceedings for a portion of the alley easterly of Highland Avenue from Selma Avenue to 25 feet northerly thereof (airspace).

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 for a portion of the alley easterly of Highland Avenue from Selma Avenue to 25 feet northerly thereof (airspace).
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.

ITEM NO. (13) - ADOPTED

Adopted, Ayes (11); Absent: PARKS, PERRY, ROSENDAHL (3)

[12-1928](#)

CD 4

MOTION (LABONGE - GARCETTI) relative to funding to repair the roadway on Vermont Canyon from the entrance of Griffith Park to the intersection east of Observatory Road.

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

1. TRANSFER/ APPROPRIATE \$3,000 from the Council District Four portion of AB1290 Fund No. 53P, Account No. 281204 (Council District four Redevelopment Projects - Services) to Bureau of Street Services Fund No. 100/86, Account 1070 (Salaries - As needed) to perform road repairs on Vermont Canyon in Griffith Park from the entrance of Griffith Park to the intersection east of Observatory Road.
2. AUTHORIZE the Chief Legislative Analyst and the Bureau of Street Services to make any technical corrections or clarifications to the above fund transfer instruct orders to effectuate the intent of this Motion.

ITEM NO. (14) - ADOPTED - FORTHWITH

Adopted, Ayes (10); Absent: PARKS, PERRY, REYES, ROSENDAHL (4)

[12-1937](#)

CD 11

MOTION (ROSENDAHL - ZINE) relative to installing street banners recognizing the "Safety on Sunset" banner campaign.

Recommendations for Council action:

1. APPROVE the street banner program recognizing the "Safety on Sunset" banner campaign as a City of Los Angeles Non-Event Street Banner Program for the period of February 1, 2013 through May 1, 2013.
2. APPROVE the content of the street banner design, attached to the Council file.

ITEM NO. (15) - ADOPTED

Adopted, Ayes (10); Absent: PARKS, PERRY, REYES, ROSENDAHL (4)

[12-1939](#)

CD 10

MOTION (WESSON - ZINE) relative to funding for tree trimming in Council District 10.

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

1. AUTHORIZE the Bureau of Street Services (BSS) to prune approximately 300 trees in the grid bordered by Rodeo, La Brea, County line, and La Cienega in Council District 10.
2. TRANSFER/ APPROPRIATE \$90,000 from the AB1290 Fund No. 53P, Account No. 281210 (CD 10 Redevelopment Projects - Services) to the Department of Public Works, BSS Fund 100/86, various accounts, as follows:

<u>Account</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Amount</u>
001090	Salaries, Overtime	\$50,000
003040	Contractual Services	20,000
006020	Operating Supplies	<u>20,000</u>
	Total	\$90,000

2. AUTHORIZE the Director, BSS, or designee, to make any technical corrections or clarifications as necessary to the above instructions in order to effectuate the intent of this Motion.

ITEM NO. (16) - ADOPTED, AS AMENDED - TO THE MAYOR FORTHWITH - SEE FOLLOWING

Adopted as Amended, Ayes (10); Absent: PARKS, PERRY, REYES, ROSENDAHL (4)

[12-0010-S51](#)

MOTION (LABONGE - ENGLANDER) relative to an offer of reward for information leading to the identification, apprehension, and conviction of the person(s) responsible for the series of copper wire thefts from City-owned property in Council District Four, occurring from January 1, 2012 through December 14, 2012.

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 series of copper wire thefts from City-owned property in Council District Four, occurring from January 1, 2012 through December 14, 2012.
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

AMENDING MOTION (LABONGE - ENGLANDER)

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 series of copper wire thefts from City-owned property in Council District Four, occurring from January 1, 2012 through December 14, 2012.

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.**
4. **ESTABLISH a not-to-exceed reward amount of \$2,000 per incident that leads to a conviction in a copper wire theft**
5. **AUTHORIZE subject reward payment (s) to be made from the Street Lighting Maintenance Assessment Fund.**

**Adopted, Ayes (11); Absent: PARKS, PERRY, ROSENDAHL (3)
(Item Nos. 17-18)**

ITEM NO. (17) - ADOPTED

[12-1875](#)

CD 3

CONTINUED CONSIDERATION OF MOTION (ZINE - GARCETTI) relative to funding to complete the Reseda Street Medians Refurbishment Project in Reseda.

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

1. TRANSFER/APPROPRIATE \$500,000 in the AB1290 Fund No. 53P, Account No. 281203 (Council District Three Redevelopment Projects-Services) to the following Accounts and in the amounts specified, in the Street Services Fund No. 100/86, in order to complete the Reseda Street Medians Refurbishment Project in Reseda:

<u>Account</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Amount</u>
001010	Salaries - General	\$300,000
003030	Construction Materials	75,000
003040	Contractual Services	40,000
006010	Office & Administrative Expense	10,000
006020	Operating Supplies & Expense	<u>75,000</u>
	Total	\$500,000

2. AUTHORIZE the Bureau of Street Services to make any technical corrections or clarifications to the above instructions in order to effectuate the intent of this Motion.

(Continued from Council meeting of December 11, 2012)

ITEM NO. (18) - ADOPTED

[12-1942](#)

CD 14

MOTION (HUIZAR - CARDENAS) relative to amending prior Council actions of November 14, 2012 and November 20, 2012 regarding funding to repair damage done to community holiday lights in Council District 14 and for costs associated with the use of a mobile stage by the Midnight Mission, respectively.

Recommendations for Council action:

1. AMEND prior Council action of November 14, 2012 to not transfer \$9,999 from the Council District 14 portion of the Street Furniture Revenue Fund; and, to instead ALLOCATE \$9,999 directly to TruGreen Land Care for the work they have already done.
2. AUTHORIZE/ INSTRUCT the Bureau of Street Services to issue payment to TruGreen in this amount and for this purpose.
3. AMEND prior Council action of November 20, 2012 to increase the amount of the appropriation from \$296 to \$696 to the General Services Department for costs associated with the use of a mobile stage by the Midnight Mission for their Thanksgiving Celebration on November 22, 2012.

ITEM NO. (19) - ADOPTED

Adopted, Ayes (10); Absent: PARKS, PERRY, REYES, ROSENDAHL (4)

[12-1938](#)

RESOLUTION (REYES - PERRY) relative to declaring December 18, 2012 as International Migrants Day in the City of Los Angeles.

Recommendation for Council action:

RESOLVE to DECLARE December 18, 2012 as International Migrants Day in the City of Los Angeles and encourage Cities throughout the world to join in this international day of recognition.

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

[10-1667-S2](#)

MOTION (KREKORIAN FOR PERRY - LABONGE) relative to a request for an exemption from the Convention Center fee waiver policy for the "Glamour Gowns 2013" event at the Los Angeles Convention Center on March 9-10, 2013.

[13-0011](#)

MOTION (KREKORIAN - BUSCAINO) relative to funding for graffiti removal and community beautification services in Council District Two.

[10-2415-S2](#)

MOTION (ZINE - BUSCAINO) relative to lease approval for office space at 19130 Ventura Boulevard, Tarzana, CA 91356.

[13-0020](#)

MOTION (ZINE - GARCETTI) relative to the donation of a bronze sculpture of renowned author and poet, Kahlil Gibran, to the City of Los Angeles.

[13-0022](#)

MOTION (HUIZAR - BUSCAINO) relative to authorizing the Tom Bradley Tower for the Jewish Federation's New Leaders Project class on December 11, 2012.

COMMENDATORY RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED IN HONOR OF:

[12-0004-S3](#) - Lieutenant II Donald Brady

(LaBonge - Garcetti)

Glenn C. Singley

(LaBonge - Garcetti)

Sandra S. Tanaka

(LaBonge - Garcetti)

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

[12-0003-S3](#) - Lucille Beserra Roybal

(Huizar - All Councilmembers)

Peter Kazerian

(Garcetti - All Councilmembers)

Grant Gerson

(Zine - All Councilmembers)

Lillian Mulholland Macedo

(LaBonge - All Councilmembers)

John P. Quimby

(LaBonge - All Councilmembers)

Gary Squier

(LaBonge - All Councilmembers)

Alarcón, Buscaino, Englander, Garcetti, Huizar, Koretz, Krekorian, LaBonge, Zine and President Wesson (10); Absent: Parks, Perry, Reyes, Rosendahl (4)

Whereupon the Council did adjourn.

ATTEST: June Lagmay, CITY CLERK

By

Council Clerk

PRESIDENT OF THE CITY COUNCIL