Los Angeles City Council, Journal/Council Proceedings  
Friday, April 26, 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, Koretz, Krekorian, LaBonge, Parks, Perry, Reyes, Rosendahl, Zine and President Wesson (13); Absent: Huizar (1); Vacant: Council District Six


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.

Items Noticed for Public Hearing - Items 1-2

ITEM NO. (1) - SEE BELOW

12-1093 et al.

CONTINUED CONSIDERATION OF HEARING PROTEST, APPEALS OR OBJECTIONS to Building and Safety Department report and confirmation of lien for nuisance abatement costs and/or non-compliance of code violations/Annual Inspection costs, pursuant to Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC) and/or Los Angeles Administrative Code (LAAC).

Recommendation for Council action:

HEAR PROTEST, APPEALS OR OBJECTIONS relative to proposed lien for nuisance abatement costs and/or non-compliance of code violations/Annual Inspection costs, pursuant to LAMC and/or LAAC and CONFIRM said lien for the following properties:

RECEIVED AND FILED, INASMUCH AS THE LIEN HAS BEEN PAID

Adopted to Receive and File, Unanimous Vote (13); Absent: HUIZAR (1)

12-1093 CD 8

a. 9420 South Harvard Boulevard. (Lien: $3,222.54)

(Continued from Council meeting of March 26, 2013)
CONTINUED TO MAY 28, 2013

12-1084
CD 14

b. 4377 East Huntington Drive South.  

(Continued from Council meeting of March 26, 2013)

ITEM NO. (2) - CONTINUED TO MAY 10, 2013

Adopted to Continue, Unanimous Vote (13); Absent: HUIZAR (1)

13-0299
CD 14

HEARING COMMENTS relative to application for determination of Public Convenience or Necessity for alcohol sales for on-site consumption at the Grave Maurice bar and lounge located at 116 West 4th Street, Los Angeles, 90013.

Application filed by: The Grave Maurice, LLC (Elizabeth Peterson Group, representative)

TIME LIMIT FILE - JUNE 12, 2013

(LAST DAY FOR COUNCIL ACTION - JUNE 12, 2013)

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

Items for Which Public Hearings Have Been Held - Items 3-4

Adopted, Ayes (13); Absent: HUIZAR (1)  
(Item Nos. 3-4)

ITEM NO. (3) - ADOPTED

13-0365

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the withdrawal from consideration the Mayor's appointment of Mr. Nathaniel Gale to the Board of Taxicab Commissioners.

Recommendation for Council action:

RECEIVE and FILE the appointment of Mr. Nathaniel J. Gale to the Board of Taxicab Commissioners for the term ending June 30, 2015, inasmuch as Mr. Gale has requested withdrawal from consideration.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted
ITEM NO. (4) - ADOPTED

13-0002-S58

RULES, ELECTIONS AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT and RESOLUTION relative to the City’s position to oppose Assembly Bill (AB) 1337 (Allen) which would prohibit local governments from banning or mandating fees on single-use plastic bags.

Recommendation for Council action, pursuant to Resolution (Koretz - Huizar), SUBJECT TO THE CONCURRENCE OF THE MAYOR:

ADOPT the accompanying RESOLUTION to include in the City’s 2013-14 State Legislative Program OPPOSITION TO AB 1337 (Allen), which would prohibit local governments from banning or mandating fees on single-use plastics bags; and support for legislation to implement a statewide approach to eliminating the use of single-use plastic bags through a ban and/or system of related fees.

Fiscal Impact Statement: None submitted by the Chief Legislative Analyst. The City Administrative Officer has not completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

Items for Which Public Hearings Have Not Been Held - Items 5-14
(10 Votes Required for Consideration)

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

Adopted to Continue, Unanimous Vote (13); Absent: HUIZAR (1)

13-0405

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE BOARD OF FIRE AND POLICE PENSION COMMISSIONERS and THE MAYOR relative to the selection of Mr. Ray Joseph as General Manager of the Los Angeles Fire and Police Pensions.

Recommendation for Council action:

CONCUR in the Board of Fire and Police Pension Commissioners’ action to appoint Mr. Ray Joseph as permanent General Manager of the Los Angeles Fire and Police Pensions, pursuant to Charter Section 1108(b).

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

TIME LIMIT FILE - MAY 20, 2013

(LAST DAY FOR COUNCIL ACTION - MAY 17, 2013)

(Budget and Finance Committee waived consideration of the above matter)
ITEM NO. (6) - ADOPTED - TO THE MAYOR FORTHWITH

Adopted, Ayes (12); Absent: GARCETTI, HUIZAR (2)

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHIEF LEGISLATIVE ANALYST and RESOLUTION relative to the City's position to oppose Assembly Bill 162 (Holden), which would require local government to approve a request to modify wireless telecommunications facilities within 45 days of receipt.

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

ADOPT the accompanying RESOLUTION to include in the City’s 2013-14 State Legislative Program, OPPOSITION to Assembly Bill 162 (Holden) which would require local government to approve a request to modify wireless telecommunications facilities within 45 days of receipt, inasmuch as it undermines local land use control, and ultimately, the principle of home rule.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

(Rules, Elections and Intergovernmental Relations Committee waived consideration of the above matter)

ITEM NO. (7) - ADOPTED

Adopted, Ayes (12); Absent: GARCETTI, HUIZAR (2)

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHIEF LEGISLATIVE ANALYST and RESOLUTION relative to the City's position to support Assembly Bill 440 (Gatto), to authorize a local agency to take any action similar to those under the Polanco Redevelopment Act and seek an amendment to make this an urgency bill.

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

ADOPT the accompanying RESOLUTION to include in the City’s 2013-14 State Legislative Program, SUPPORT for Assembly Bill 440 (Gatto) to authorize a local agency to take any action similar to those under the Polanco Redevelopment Act and SEEK an amendment to make this an urgency bill.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

(Rules, Elections and Intergovernmental Relations Committee waived consideration of the above matter)
ITEM NO. (8) - ADOPTED

Adopted, Ayes (12); Absent: GARCETTI, HUIZAR (2)

13-0002-S61

CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION (ALARCON for WESSON - LABONGE) relative to the City’s position to support Assembly Bill 639 (Perez), the Veterans Housing and Homeless Prevention Act (VHHPA) of 2014.

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

ADOPT the accompanying RESOLUTION to include in the City’s 2013-14 State Legislative Program, SUPPORT for Assembly Bill 639 (Perez), the VHHPA of 2014, which would amend the Veteran's Bond Act of 2008 to reduce the amount of bonds that are authorized to be issued under the act from $900 million to $300 million and reprogram the $600 million difference to be used for expenditure by the California Department of Housing and Community Development for purposes of the construction, rehabilitation and preservation of multifamily housing for veterans, in collaboration with the Department of Veteran Affairs.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

(Rules, Elections and Intergovernmental Relations Committee waived consideration of the above matter)

ITEM NO. (9) - ADOPTED

Adopted, Ayes (13); Absent: HUIZAR (1)

12-1876-S2
CD 2

MOTION (KREKORIAN - LABONGE) relative to the City Trunk Line South Unit 5 Project (CTLSU5) in Council District Two.

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

1. TRANSFER/APPROPRIATE $130,000 from the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP) Blanket Authority No. 6757-5 (Work Order No. URJ07) to the Transportation Trust Fund No. 840/94, Account No. 002200 (Miscellaneous Deposits) for overtime costs associated with traffic control during construction of the CTLSU5 in Council District 2.

2. AUTHORIZE the Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT) to transfer the above funds in an amount not to exceed $130,000 on an as needed basis from the Transportation Trust Fund No. 840/94, Account No. 002200 (Miscellaneous Deposits) to the Transportation Fund No. 100/94, Account No. 001090 (Salaries-Overtime) for actual overtime costs associated with the above described project and to credit or reimburse the LADWP for any surplus amounts.

3. AUTHORIZE the LADOT to make any technical corrections or clarifications to the above fund transfer instructions in order to effectuate the intent of this Motion.
ITEM NO. (10) - ADOPTED

Adopted, Ayes (12); Absent: GARCETTI, HUIZAR (2)

10-1235-S2
MOTION (ROENDEAHL - ZINE) relative to negotiating and executing an amendment to City Contract No. C-114713 with the 1736 Family Crisis Center.

Recommendation for Council action:

AUTHORIZE the General Manager, Community Development Department, or designee, to negotiate and execute an amendment to City Contract No. C-114713 with the 1736 Family Crisis Center to extend the term of the current contract for 24 months to July 27, 2015.

Adopted, Ayes (13); Absent: HUIZAR (1)
(Item Nos. 11-12)

ITEM NO. (11) - ADOPTED - TO THE MAYOR FORTHWITH

12-1607-S3
MOTION (REYES - ROENDEAHL) relative to negotiating and executing an amendment to City Contract No. 118042 with Pico Union Housing Corporation.

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

1. AUTHORIZE the General Manager, Community Development Department, (CDD) or designee, to negotiate and execute an amendment to City Contract No. 118042 with the Pico Union Housing Corporation to extend the current contract and related loan terms for one year from October 27, 2012 to October 27, 2013.

2. AUTHORIZE the CDD to prepare Controller instructions and/or make any technical adjustments that may be required and are consistent with this action subject to the approval of the City Administrative Officer, and INSTRUCT the Controller to implement these instructions.

ITEM NO. (12) - ADOPTED

12-0968-S2
MOTION (PERRY - PARKS) relative to the Vermont Avenue Retail Business Facade Improvement Program, on Vermont Avenue between Adams Boulevard and Exposition Boulevard.

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

1. ACCEPT the sum of $500,000 contributed by the Property Owner pursuant to the conditions of a Development Agreement with the University of Southern California (Contract No. C-121970, Ordinance No. 182344), for a Vermont Avenue Retail Business Facade Improvement Program.
2. INSTRUCT the City Clerk to deposit this amount into a new account in the Council District 8 Public Benefits Trust Fund No. 49F, entitled "Vermont Avenue Retail Business Facade Improvement Program"—said funds to be used, upon the joint approval of the Councilmembers of the Eighth and Ninth Districts, in consultation with the Councilmember of the First District, for purposes of a Vermont Avenue Retail Business Facade Improvement Program to provide grants of up to $20,000 to retail businesses for making minor facade improvements on Vermont Avenue between Adams Boulevard and Exposition Boulevard, pursuant to Section 3.1.3.14. of this Ordinance, as further detailed in the text of this Motion.

ITEM NO. (13) - ADOPTED

Adopted, Ayes (12); Absent: GARCETTI, HUIZAR (2)

**12-0816-S1**

RESOLUTION (LABONGE - REYES) relative to reducing from 24 days to 10 days, the public hearing notice period of the Development Agreement for the Forest Lawn Memorial Park - Hollywood Hills master plan project.

Recommendations for Council action:

1. RESOLVE to hereby make a finding of public benefit, as further detailed in the text of this Resolution and hereby make an exception to the City's Development Agreement Procedures (Council File No. 85-2313-S3) and reduce from 24 days to 10 days, the public hearing notice period for Council's consideration of the Development Agreement for the Forest Lawn Memorial-Park - Hollywood Hills Development, (CPC-2007-1059-DA-PUB-ZV-SPR - Council File No. 12-0816).

2. RESOLVE to hereby INSTRUCT the City Clerk to issue notice(s) and schedule for Council consideration, and REQUEST the City Attorney to prepare and present the documents necessary relative to the matters identified above consistent with the above action.

ITEM NO. (14) - ADOPTED

Adopted, Ayes (12); Absent: GARCETTI, HUIZAR (2)

**13-0468 CD 4**

FINAL MAP OF TRACT NO. 64992 for property located at 13308-24 Valleyheart Drive lying northwesterly of Fulton Avenue.

(Approve Subdivision Improvement Agreement and Contract with attached security documents)

(ADOPT City Engineer Report)

(ADOPT Bond No. C-121545)

(Quimby Fee: $78,416)

Applicants: Sharon Evenheim

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

13-0011-S12
MOTION (ALARCON - ENGLANDER) relative to funding to design, construct and install a monument sign for a median island in Mission Hills in Council District Seven.

13-0502
MOTION (ALARCON - BUSCAINO) relative to funding to support the Charter Bus program in Council District Seven.

13-0501
MOTION (LABONGE - GARCETTI) relative to special reception for Brit Week in the City Hall Tom Bradley Room on May 1, 2013.

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

13-0503
RESOLUTION (ROSENDAHL - ZINE) relative to declaring May 15, 2013 as “Senior Fraud Awareness Day” in the City of Los Angeles.

COMMENDATORY RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED IN HONOR OF:

13-0004-S1 - Sergeant P.W. Anderson Jr. (LaBonge - Garcetti)

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

13-0003-S1 - Leo Branton Jr. (Wesson - Garcetti - All Councilmembers)
Carlos Donterro Monroe (Parks - Perry)

Alarcón, Buscaino, Englander, Koretz, Krekorian, LaBonge, Parks, Perry, Reyes, Rosendahl, Zine and President Wesson (12); Absent: Garcetti and Huizar (2); Vacant: Council District Six

Whereupon the Council did adjourn.
ATTEST: June Lagmay, CITY CLERK

By

Council Clerk       PRESIDENT OF THE CITY COUNCIL