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Los Angeles City Council Selects New Chief Legislative Analyst ***Council Unanimously Approves Hiring of Gerry Miller***

Los Angeles – After an extensive and exhaustive search and review of candidates, the Los Angeles City Council today unanimously approved the hiring of Gerry Miller for the position of Chief Legislative Analyst for the City of Los Angeles. The Chief Legislative Analyst's office serves the Council in many critical ways including policy analysis for the Council; its various committees and individual Council members. The CLA staff are also involved in the formulation and implementation of the Council's state and federal legislative programs and deliberation on final adoption of the City's annual budget.

"In an era of term-limits it is important that the City Council have a Chief Legislative Analyst who is willing to go in new directions but also has a firm understanding of the City's commitments. With more than 20 years experience with the City, Gerry Miller has a thorough knowledge of all areas of City government and he has the skills necessary to be an effective CLA," said Council President Alex Padilla.

"After a thorough and deliberative process, I am confident that the City Council has chosen the best and most qualified candidate for this crucial position," said Councilmember Wendy Greuel.

"Gerry Miller has been a trusted advisor to this council for over 20 years and will continue to provide sound policy advice that will help improve the quality of life for all Los Angeles residents," said Council President Pro Tempore Wendy Greuel.

Miller, a San Fernando Valley resident, has held the position of Acting CLA since Ron Deaton left the position to take the helm of the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power in late 2004. Miller previously served as Executive Officer to the Chief Legislative Analyst after serving in various analytical and operating roles within the City.

Miller is considered well versed in issues relating to economic development, transportation and municipal finance. He has played key roles in protecting the City's interests on such projects as the construction of the Los Angeles to Pasadena Gold Line light rail, the development of Staples Center, the construction and financing of the Marvin Braude Constituent Service Center in the San Fernando Valley and the current negotiations regarding the Convention Center Headquarters Hotel. Miller also developed the City's first debt and reserve fund policies which called for increased levels of reserves, and establishment of sound financial policies including multi-year budgeting, reduced reliance on one-time revenues to fund ongoing operations and limits on the use of debt.