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PADILLA MOVES TO FORM, RESTRUCTURE SELECT CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEES Committee Appointments Forthcoming

LOS ANGELES – City Council President Alex Padilla today introduced a resolution to form, restructure and rename select City Council committees. Under the City Charter, the Council President also appoints the members and chairs of each City Council committee.

"As Los Angeles changes, the City needs to change the way it does business as well," said Council President Padilla. "The new changes that I have proposed will enable the City Council to better serve the needs of the residents, businesses, and community groups throughout Los Angeles. I look forward to working with my colleagues during this new Council session to make the great City of Los Angeles even greater."

While most of the standing City Council committees will remain unchanged, the following changes have been proposed:

Formation of new committee:

• Conventions, Tourism, Entertainment Industry, & Business Enterprise Committee. This newly proposed committee will be charged with matters related to the Los Angeles Convention and Visitors Bureau (LA Inc.), the Los Angeles Convention Center, and the Entertainment Industry Development Corporation (EIDC). This committee will seek to promote Los Angeles as a tourist destination, including as a destination for cultural tourism. Conventions, special sporting events, entertainment industry awards ceremonies and conventions, film permitting and production, marketing and branding of Los Angeles, and minority- and women-owned business issues related to the above-mentioned subject areas will fall under the jurisdiction of this new Council Committee.

Restructuring of existing committees:

The Housing & Community Development Committee and the Economic Development & Employment Committee will be consolidated into the Housing, Community, & Economic Development Committee. This consolidation will allow for greater efficiency in the City reviewing State and federal grant program allocations, and will ultimately enable the City to deliver resources to its neighborhoods more quickly and effectively. Additionally, this new committee will link the interrelated issues of jobs and housing throughout Los Angeles.

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Renaming of existing committees:

- The Arts, Heath, & Humanities Committee will be named the Arts, Parks, Health, & Aging Committee. The new name will more accurately reflect the issues and priorities that will come under its jurisdiction on an ongoing basis.
- The **Rules, Elections, & Intergovernmental Relations Committee** will be named the **Rules & Elections Committee**. The new name will reflect the shifting of the intergovernmental relations function of the existing committee to each one of the standing policy committees based on subject matter. For example, an item on intergovernmental relations with respect to gun control legislation would now be heard in the Public Safety Committee.

Disbanding of select ad hoc committees:

• The Ad Hoc on Redistricting Committee and the Ad Hoc on Special Reorganization/Secession Committee will be disbanded, with functions relating to those issues being referred to the Rules Committee.

Padilla's resolution will be heard at the Council meeting on July 16 and will be discussed further at that time.

The 7th Council District serves the communities of Lake View Terrace, Mission Hills, North Hills, Pacoima, Panorama City, and Sylmar

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