

PLANNING AND LAND USE MANAGEMENT (PLUM) COMMITTEE REPORT relative to a report on a strategic plan to streamline 100 percent deed-restricted affordable housing projects in the City of Los Angeles, and to improve processes and procedures for the development process.

Recommendations for Council action, as initiated by Motion (Raman – Harris-Dawson):

1. INSTRUCT the Department of City Planning (DCP), with the assistance of the Los Angeles Housing Department (LAHD) and the Los Angeles Department of Building and Safety (LADBS), to report to the Council within 90 days with a strategic plan to streamline 100 percent deed-restricted affordable housing projects in the City of Los Angeles; the report should consider, among other strategies, increased departmental resources to facilitate shorter staff review times, shorter appeal times, accelerated prioritization for 100 percent affordable housing projects over and above that already provided by Mayor Garcetti's Executive Directive 13, modifications to site plan review thresholds, and use of an administrative review process for 100 percent deed-restricted affordable housing projects; and, such report should address the staffing and resources needed to implement these strategies.
2. INSTRUCT the Bureau of Engineering (BOE) and the Los Angeles Fire Department (LAFD) to also report to the Council on ways to improve their respective processes and procedures as a part of this broader effort, as these additional City departments also play a significant role in the development process.

Fiscal Impact Statement: Neither the City Administrative Officer nor the Chief Legislative Analyst has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: Yes.

For:

Hermon Neighborhood Council
Mid City West Neighborhood Council
NoHo Neighborhood Council
Los Feliz Neighborhood Council
Historic Highland Park Neighborhood Council
Hollywood United Neighborhood Council
Wilshire Center-Koreatown Neighborhood Council
East Hollywood Neighborhood Council
Mission Hills Neighborhood Council

For, if Amended:

Mar Vista Community Council

Summary:

At a regular meeting held on September 21, 2021, the PLUM Committee considered Motion (Raman – Harris-Dawson) relative to instructing the DCP, with the assistance of the LAHD and LADBS, to report to the Council within 90 days with a strategic plan to streamline 100 percent deed-restricted affordable housing projects in the City of Los Angeles; the report should consider, among other strategies, increased Departmental resources to facilitate shorter staff review times, shorter appeal times, accelerated prioritization for 100 percent affordable housing projects over and above that already provided by Mayor Garcetti's Executive Directive 13, modifications to site plan review thresholds, and use of an administrative review process for 100 percent deed-restricted affordable housing projects; and, such report should address the staffing and resources needed to implement these strategies. Councilmember Ridley-Thomas requested that the BOE and LAFD also be included to report to the Council on ways to improve their respective processes and procedures as a part of this broader effort. After providing an opportunity for public comment, the Committee recommended to approve the recommendations contained in the Motion as amended, as detailed above. This matter is now submitted to the Council for consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

PLANNING AND LAND USE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
HARRIS-DAWSON:	YES
CEDILLO:	YES
BLUMENFIELD:	YES
RIDLEY-THOMAS:	YES
LEE:	YES

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