

CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION and PLANNING AND LAND USE MANAGEMENT (PLUM) COMMITTEE REPORT relative to amending Chapter 1 and adding Chapter 1A to the Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC) to comprehensively reorganize Zoning Code processes and procedures.

Recommendations for Council action:

1. FIND, based on the whole of the administrative record, that the proposed Ordinance is not a project under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Section 15378(b)(5) of the California Public Resource Code (PRC), and is exempt from the CEQA pursuant to PRC Section 15061 (b)(3) and CEQA Guidelines, Section 15308 (Class 8).
2. ADOPT the FINDINGS of the Los Angeles City Planning Commission (LACPC) as the Findings of Council.
3. REQUEST the City Attorney to prepare and present the Ordinance amending Chapter 1 of the LAMC, and establishing a Chapter 1A of the LAMC, to comprehensively reorganize the administrative provisions of the Zoning Code, including the technical corrections to the proposed Ordinance recommended in the Department of City Planning (DCP) report dated May 25, 2021, attached to the Council file.
4. INSTRUCT the DCP to prepare a report with recommendations, in consultation with the City Attorney, relative to a community outreach plan prior to the preparation of the Ordinance as to form and legality, for a plan of action on how DCP staff will be trained; and, on the feasibility of the hiring of a contractor to assist the DCP in its implementation.

Applicant: City of Los Angeles

Case No. CPC-2016-3182-CA

Environmental No. ENV-2016-3183-CE

Fiscal Impact Statement: The LACPC reports that there is no General Fund impact as administrative costs are recovered through fees.

Community Impact Statement: Yes.

For, if Amended:
Woodland Hills-Warner Center Neighborhood Council

Against:
Rampart Village Neighborhood Council
P.I.C.O. Neighborhood Council

West Adams Neighborhood Council
Lincoln Heights Neighborhood Council

Against, Unless Amended:

Granada Hills North Neighborhood Council
Northwest San Pedro Neighborhood Council
Empowerment Congress North Area Neighborhood Development Council

Neutral Position:

Mar Vista Community Council

Summary:

At a regular meeting held on June 1, 2021, the PLUM Committee considered a report from the LACPC and proposed Ordinance relative to amending Chapter 1 of the LAMC, and adding Chapter 1A to the LAMC, to comprehensively reorganize Zoning Code processes and procedures; and, a DCP report recommending technical corrections to the proposed Ordinance. DCP staff provided an overview of the matter. After an opportunity for public comment, the Committee recommended to request the City Attorney to prepare and present the Ordinance, including the technical corrections to the proposed Ordinance recommended in the DCP report; and, to instruct the DCP to prepare a report with recommendations, in consultation with the City Attorney, relative to a community outreach plan prior to the preparation of the Ordinance as to form and legality, for a plan of action on how DCP staff will be trained; and, on the feasibility of the hiring of a contractor to assist the DCP in its implementation. 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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