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The Honorable City Council
Office of the City Clerk
Room 395, City Hall
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Attention: Councilmember Tracy Park, Chair, Ad Hoc Committee, 2028 Olympic and Paralympic Games

Honorable Members:

Subject: Council File No. 15-0989-S20 – 2028 Olympic and Paralympic Games/Games Energy Council/Energy Infrastructure/Sustainability/Games Agreement

Thank you for the opportunity to provide the City Council with an update on the City of Los Angeles (City), Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP), and LA28's efforts to envision and establish the LA28 Olympic Games Energy Council (GEC).

In addition to oral update provided at the June 13, 2023 Ad Hoc Committee on the 2024 Summer Olympics, it has been requested that a written report for CF No.: 15-0989-S20 also be provided by LADWP.

As referenced and designated in the LA28 Host City Contract, the Games Agreement of the 2028 Olympic and Paralympic Games, and Executive Directive 28, LADWP, Mayor's Office, LA28, the International Olympic Committee (IOC), and various other stakeholders have and continue to meet periodically to advance efforts towards the creation of the LA28 GEC.

In advance of the Games Agreement timeline of March 2024, partners have been discussing and drafting a roster of key participants, potential milestones, and structure/functionality of what will become the GEC intended to evaluate, plan for, facilitate, procure and build the necessary energy and energy infrastructure needed to power the 2028 Olympic and Paralympic Games – in the most sustainable, resilient and efficient ways possible. These efforts will include determining and ensuring adequate power and backup power to Olympic/Paralympic event venues, athlete lodging, media/broadcast needs, support venues, and electric mobility options for athletes and staff. Along those lines, LADWP has been evaluating current and needed capacity, strategizing backup power systems and establishing baseline uses for venues to calculate any increased usage of energy by the Games.

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With the assistance of the Mayor's Office, we have had preliminary discussions with local and regional transit agencies regarding electric vehicle and mobility plans around the Games to determine capacity needs for transportation and transit as well as infrastructure locations and buildout needs. Close coordination with the Games Mobility Executives and other Games mobility working groups will be essential.

We have been meeting with the Los Angeles City Attorney's Office to collaborate and ensure that we are appropriately representing and protecting the City and LADWP's rate-payers. And with the help of LA28, we are reaching out to counterparts in recent and upcoming Olympic cities to learn best practices and lessons learned from both administrative and technical perspectives.

Most recently, LADWP and LA28 convened a meeting with a visiting IOC delegation, focused on Games energy needs, that included representatives from Southern California Edison, which has already proven to be helpful in our beginning coordination among and between a wide variety of stakeholders that will need to participate regularly or periodically in the eventual GEC. We are targeting September 2023 to begin preliminary meetings of the GEC.

All partners are working together to address and manage already identified and future challenges, such as number of busses required and related fueling needs, changes and/or additional necessary Games venues, and coordination with entities within and beyond the jurisdiction of the City of Los Angeles.

If you have any questions or require further information, please contact me at (213) 367-1338, or have your staff contact Mr. Aaron Gross, Resilience Director and Senior Advisor, at (213) 367-4333.

Sincerely,



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