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Councilmember Adrin Nazarian, Chair
Energy and Environment Committee
Attn: Michael Espinosa

RE: COUNCIL FILE TRANSMITTAL

On March 25, 2025, the Planning and Land Use Management Committee considered Motion (Hernandez – Price – Harris-Dawson) relative to preparing a report with recommendations requiring coordination with any County, State, or Federal agency with jurisdiction over contaminated sites, including but not limited to the Department of Toxic Substances Control, California Air Resources Board, and the Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board, and creation of a clearance for the issuance of any permits for development projects on private property seeking to repurpose existing brownfield sites into other proposed land uses; and related matters, Council file No. 24-1521. After consideration, and having provided an opportunity for public comment, the Committee moved to approve the following recommendations, as amended:

INSTRUCT the Los Angeles Department of Building and Safety (LADBS), the Department of City Planning, the Bureau of Engineering, the Los Angeles Department of Sanitation, the Los Angeles Fire Department and the Los Angeles Department of Transportation, in consultation with the City Attorney, to prepare a report in 90 days with the following recommendations:

- a. Require coordination with any County, State, or Federal agency with jurisdiction over contaminated sites, including but not limited to the Department of Toxic Substances Control, California Air Resources Board, Los Angeles County Department of Public Health, and the Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board, and creation of a clearance for the issuance of any permits for development projects on private property seeking to repurpose existing brownfield sites (i.e., contaminated sites listed on a State database) into other proposed land uses.
- b. Update City databases, such as but not limited to ZIMAS, with zoning information or overlay tools that can be used to identify brownfield sites to ensure appropriate clearances are included when developers are seeking a permit.
- c. Revise the LADBS Information Bulletin "Procedures When Hazardous and Contaminated Materials are Encountered During Construction or Geotechnical/Geological Exploration" to reflect any changes.

- d. Report back on the City's current role, responsibilities, and strategies to remediate City-owned brownfield sites, along with requirements for private developers. The report should also provide recommendations for enhancing or streamlining processes to conduct City-owned remediation efforts, including potential strategies on collaborating with community stakeholders to remediate brownfield sites.

This file is now transmitted to the Energy and Environment Committee.

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<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
BLUMENFIELD:	YES
HUTT:	YES
NAZARIAN:	YES
LEE:	YES
RAMAN:	ABSENT