



Office of the Los Angeles City Attorney  
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REPORT NO. R 23-0219

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**REPORT RE:**

**DRAFT ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTIONS 13.25, 13.25.1, AND 13.26 OF  
ARTICLE 7, CHAPTER 1, DIVISION 13 OF THE LOS ANGELES ADMINISTRATIVE  
CODE TO INCREASE THE UTILITY OR PIPELINE FRANCHISE APPLICATION  
DEPOSIT FROM \$6,000 TO \$10,000**

The Honorable City Council  
of the City of Los Angeles  
Room 395, City Hall  
200 North Spring Street  
Los Angeles, California 90012

Honorable Members:

Pursuant to your request, this Office has prepared and now transmits for your consideration the enclosed draft ordinance, approved as to form and legality. This draft ordinance amends Section 13.25.1 of Article 7, Chapter 1, Division 13 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code (LAAC) to increase the pipeline franchise application deposit from \$6,000 to \$10,000 and to require an applicant to deposit additional funds if the responsible department determines that additional funds are needed to cover the costs of processing the application.

Additional changes were made to LAAC Section 13.25.1 to be consistent with other sections of this Code. Also, Sections 13.25 and 13.26 were amended to harmonize those sections with Section 13.25.1.

**Fee Notice Requirement**

Because this ordinance would increase existing fees, notice of its proposed adoption should be given in accordance with the provisions of California Government



Code Sections 66018 and 6062a. Those sections of state law require that prior to adoption of a new or increased fee, a public hearing be held and notice of that hearing be published in a newspaper with two publications at least five days apart over a ten-day period. The notice period begins the first day of publication, and there must be at least five days between the first and the second publications, not counting the dates of publication.

Council Rule 38 Referral

A copy of the draft ordinance was sent, pursuant to Council Rule 38, to the Department of Public Works – Board of Public Works and the Information Technology Agency, with a request that all comments, if any, be presented directly to the City Council when this matter is considered.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Deputy City Attorney Tanea Ysaguirre at (213) 978-8130. A member of this Office will be available when you consider this matter to answer questions you may have.

Sincerely,

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