CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION, NEGATIVE DECLARATION, ERRATA TO NEGATIVE DECLARATION, and RELATED CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) FINDINGS; PLANNING AND LAND USE MANAGEMENT (PLUM) COMMITTEE REPORT and ORDINANCE FIRST CONSIDERATION relative to amending Sections 12.21, 12.22, 12.24, and 19.04 of Chapter 1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC) to create the Restaurant Beverage Program (RBP) and the RBP – Alcohol Sensitive Use Zone.

Recommendations for Council action, SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR:

- 1. FIND, that based on the whole of the administrative record, the project is exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines, Section 15301 (Class 1), and California Public Resources Code Section 21080.25, and there is no substantial evidence demonstrating that an exception to a Categorical Exemption pursuant to CEQA Guidelines, Section 15300.2 applies; FIND, pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15074(b), after consideration of the whole of the administrative record, including the Negative Declaration, No. ENV-2018-4661-ND, the Errata to Negative Declaration, dated January 4, 2022, and all comments received, there is no substantial evidence that the project will have a significant effect on the environment; FIND that the Negative Declaration reflects the independent judgement and analysis of the City; and, ADOPT the Negative Declaration.
- 2. ADOPT the revised FINDINGS of the PLUM Committee, dated January 11, 2022, attached to the Council file; as the Findings of Council.
- 3. PRESENT and ADOPT the accompanying revised ORDINANCE, dated January 21, 2022, amending Sections 12.21, 12.22, 12.24, and 19.04 of Chapter 1 of the LAMC to create the RBP and the RBP Alcohol Sensitive Use Zone, administrative clearance processes for the sale and dispensing of alcoholic beverages for on-site consumption, subject to a set of standards and enforcement procedures, as amended by the PLUM Committee on January 18, 2022 to incorporate technical corrections to replace the term of business tax license in Sections 12.22 A.34(a)(22) and 12.22 A.35(a)(24) with the term of business tax registration certificate (BTRC).

Case No. CPC-2018-4660-CA

Environmental Nos. ENV-2020-3154-CE and ENV-2018-4661-ND

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement</u>: None submitted by the Department of City Planning (DCP). Neither the City Administrative Officer nor the Chief Legislative Analyst has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

(Economic Development and Jobs Committee waived consideration of the above matter)

Summary:

At a regular meeting held on January 18, 2022, the PLUM Committee considered reports from the DCP and City Attorney, and draft Ordinance relative to amending Sections 12.21, 12.22, 12.24, and 19.04 of the LAMC to create the RBP and the RBP – Alcohol Sensitive Use Zone, administrative clearance processes for the sale and dispensing of alcoholic beverages for on-site consumption, subject to a set of standards and enforcement procedures. A Representative of the City Attorney's Office provided comments regarding the proposed technical corrections to reference the BTRC in Sections 12.22 A.34(a)(22) and 12.22 A.35(a)(24) of the Ordinance. DCP staff provided an overview of the matter. After providing an opportunity for public comment, the Committee recommended to adopt the Negative Declaration, revised Findings, and draft Ordinance as amended, as detailed above. This matter is now submitted to the Council for consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

PLANNING AND LAND USE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

MEMBER YOTE
HARRIS-DAWSON: YES
CEDILLO: YES
BLUMENFIELD: YES
LEE: YES
RODRIGUEZ: YES

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