## **MOTION**

The annual retail sale of Christmas trees is currently permitted in lots with an aggregate area up to 600 square feet in all non-residential zones citywide between December 1 through December 25. The Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC) provides that the lot must be cleaned and restored to its original condition by January 8.

LAMC is silent, however, as to the sale of Christmas trees in the Two-Family Dwelling and Multiple Dwelling residential zones. Thus, further clarification is needed from the Department of City Planning as to why these higher density residential areas are not included in the list of residential zones where Christmas tree sales are disallowed.

The operation of Christmas tree lots in these zones can adversely impact the quality of life in residential neighborhoods, including excessive noise, traffic congestion and parking limitations.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the City Council instruct the Department of City Planning and the Department of Building and Safety, in consultation with the City Attorney, to report back within 60 days with recommendations for amending the Los Angeles Municipal Code to disallow the sale of Christmas trees in Two-Family Dwelling and Multiple Dwelling residential zones.

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