

AD HOC COMMITTEE ON CITY GOVERNANCE REFORM REPORT relative to recommending various technical updates to the Campaign Finance Ordinances (CFO) that will further improve the clarity of the CFO, and resolve minor language inconsistencies, and related matters.

Recommendations for Council action:

1. APPROVE the City Ethics Commission reports dated December 16, 2020, and June 18, 2021, attached to the Council file.
2. REQUEST the City Attorney to draft an Ordinance with the following additional amendments to the Campaign Finance Ordinance:
 - a. Repeal Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC) 49.7.9.(e) consistent with the Ethics Commission resolution, dated June 15, 2022, attached to the Council file.
 - b. Amend LAMC 49.7.37(A)(5) to define a "Restricted developer" to mean any applicant or owner, other than a government agency.
 - c. Amend LAMC 49.7.27 regarding the Matching Funds formula to read:
 - i. In a primary election, qualified participating candidates will be paid six dollars in matching funds for each dollar of a qualified contribution, up to the following maximum per contributor: one-seventh of the per-person City campaign contribution limit applicable under Section 49.7.3(B)(2)(a) or 49.7.3(B)(2)(b) to the elected City office that the candidate seeks, rounded to the nearest dollar.
 - ii. In a general election, qualified participating candidates will receive a grant of one-fifth of the amount specified in Section 49.7.29(B) within 10 days after the latter of being certified to appear on the general election ballot or qualifying to receive matching funds. The remaining four-fifths will be paid at the rate specified in Subsection A.

Fiscal Impact Statement: None submitted by the City Ethics Commission. Neither the City Administrative Officer nor the Chief Legislative Analyst has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

SUMMARY

At its meeting held on December 8, 2022, the Ad Hoc Committee on City Governance Reform considered two City Ethics Commission reports relative to recommending various technical updates to the CFO that will further improve the clarity of the CFO, and resolve minor language inconsistencies, and related matters.

Representatives from the CEC provided an overview and answered questions from the Committee members. After an opportunity for public comment was held, the Committee moved to approve the CEC reports, as amended, to include the recommendations above. This matter is now forwarded to the Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

AD HOC COMMITTEE ON CITY GOVERNANCE REFORM

MEMBER

VOTE

KREKORIAN	YES
RAMAN	YES
BLUMENFIELD	YES
HARRIS-DAWSON	YES
HUTT	ABSENT

AS 12/8/22

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