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The 2028 Olympic and Paralympic Games (2028 Games), beginning in Los Angeles on July 14, 2028, will put the City in the international spotlight. The large-scale events planned for the 2028 Games, and the influx of visitors expected to attend, adds pressure to the energy infrastructure of the City to continue to provide power to the entirety of Los Angeles during this mega-event. Further complicating matters are the emerging realities related to climate change and the potential to disrupt energy systems.

It is crucial that the City has plans to provide the necessary energy resources, especially from clean and renewable resources, for all venues and events related to the 2028 Games. A comprehensive energy program will require coordination between the City, 2028 Games coordinators, and local power providers to ensure that there is successful and innovative infrastructure and services for the 2028 Games.

The Games Agreement, which serves as the framework for the roles, responsibilities, commitments, and obligations of the parties involved with hosting the 2028 Games, was entered into between the City and the Los Angeles Organizing Committee for the Olympic and Paralympic Games (LA28) in December 2021.

An important facet of the Games Agreement is the development of the Games Energy Council, which will bring together the City, LA28, and all other parties responsible for the delivery of power infrastructure and service to Games-related projects, venues, and events to facilitate decision-making and cooperation necessary to optimize and meet required levels of services, and develop plans to support the relevant elements of the Sustainability Plan, through the completion of the Games.

The Games Agreement obligates the Games Energy Council to be established by March 31, 2024. To ensure the energy infrastructure and services for a successful 2028 Games, it would serve the best interests of the City to begin planning and coordination of the Games Energy Council immediately.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Council request the Department of Water and Power, with the assistance of the Chief Legislative Analyst (CLA) and the City Administrative Officer (CAO), to report in 90 days on the development of the Games Energy Council component required under the Games Agreement for the 2028 Olympic and Paralympic Games in order to ensure energy infrastructure reliability, delivery, service and the attainment of sustainability objectives for the Games.

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