TO THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES

Your JOBS AND BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

reports as follows:

JOBS AND BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power's (LADWP) efforts to facilitate film production in the City of Los Angeles.

Recommendations for Council action:

RECEIVE and FILE the December 23, 2009 LADWP report relative to the LADWP's efforts to facilitate film production in the City of Los Angeles.

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement</u>: Neither the City Administrative Officer (CAO) nor the CLA has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement Submitted: No

<u>SUMMARY</u>

On March 9, 2010, your Committee considered a December 23, 2009 LADWP report relative to the LADWP's efforts to facilitate film production in the City of Los Angeles. According to the LADWP, it has continued to work closely with FilmLA, Inc. (FilmLA), and the movie production companies to provide a film-friendly environment at LADWP properties. The LADWP has designated approximately 30 LADWP locations that have been approved for filming, parking, and/or base camps. The locations can be found on the LADWP's website under current film locations.

Additionally, the LADWP has investigated the feasibility of establishing power nodes for the film industry. The LADWP's Power System Engineering Division has met with FilmLA and various production company representatives to discuss construction of four power nodes at specific locations. The three locations at this time are the John Ferraro Building, two power nodes at City Hall, and a large parking lot next to an old Bank of America on 650 South Spring Street in downtown Los Angeles. This parking lot location is dependent on cooperation of the owner of the parking lot (the owner must grant LADWP an easement to enter the property to establish the power nodes).

Finally, the LADWP has opened its transmission line right of ways to the filming industry. The rights of ways are being used by the industry for filming, parking, and base camps. The film industry has been allowed to use these open spaces on a case-by-case basis.

After further consideration and having provided an opportunity for public comment, the Committee moved to receive and file the December 23, 2009 LADWP report relative to the LADWP's efforts to facilitate film production in the City of Los Angeles.

This matter is now submitted to Council for its consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

JOBS AND BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

MEMBER VOTE ALARCÓN: YES KREKORIAN: YES PARKS: YES

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