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Greetings:

On September 9, 2008, the Planning and Land Use Management (PLUM) Committee considered the attached Motion (Weiss - Garcetti - Greuel - Rosendahl - Wesson - Reyes) relative to revising the sign ordinance to toughen and create easily enforceable time/place/manner restrictions citywide to protect neighborhoods. At this meeting, the PLUM Committee referred this matter to the Planning Department, in consultation with the Department of Building and Safety and the City Attorney.

Please transmit your report(s) to the Planning and Land Use Management Committee, c/o City Clerk's Office, City Hall, Room 395.

Sincerely,

Patrice Y. Lattimore Legislative Assistant

Planning and Land Use Management Committee

Attachment

MOTION

The City of Los Angeles has adopted multiple ordinances to regulate freestanding billboards and other advertising signage in the City. In addition to a moratorium on billboards, the City of Los Angeles prohibits, with few exceptions, "supergraphic signs" made of paint or film applied directly to buildings and small signs that may be freestanding.

Enforcement against unlawful signs has been delayed due to pending and anticipated litigation against the City of Los Angeles. Recent legal rulings may undermine the long-term viability of the moratorium.

To address issues raised in recent legal rulings, the City of Los Angeles should amend its sign ordinances to ensure consistency with constitutional law and other applicable laws.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Planning Department, in consultation with the Department of Building and Safety and the City Attorney, revise the sign ordinance to toughen and create easily enforceable time / place / manner restrictions citywide to protect neighborhoods. The revised ordinances also must provide clear criteria related to land use designations for sign districts.

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