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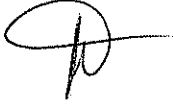
Councilmember Herb Wesson, Chair
Housing, Community and Economic
Recovery Committee
Attn: Alan Alietti

On April 21, 2009, the Jobs, Business Growth and Tax Reform Committee considered Motion (Smith - Cardenas - Zine) relative to the establishment of an Economic Development Department. After consideration, the Committee moved to recommend approval of the Motion with the following recommendations;

1. Approve, in concept, the consolidation of City economic activities under the management and control of a new Department of Economic Development, to be headed by a general manager; such consolidation would include, but not be limited to, the restructuring of the functions now performed by the Community Development Department, the Community Redevelopment Agency, and the economic development programs within the Mayor's Office and other appropriate entities; and, approve the creation of a Community Development Commission (pursuant to state Community Redevelopment Law) merging City redevelopment and economic development activities under a single citywide policy entity.
2. Direct the Chief Legislative Analyst and the City Administrative Officer, with the assistance and cooperation of the City Attorney, Office of the Mayor, Community Development Department, Community Redevelopment Agency, and the Personnel Department, to expeditiously prepare and present the steps necessary to accomplish consolidation including an analysis of the following: organizational structure; identification of powers, duties, and responsibilities; staff and resources; reporting and oversight relationships with Council and its standing committees; budget and personnel implications; and a recommended implementation timeline.
3. Request the City Attorney, with the assistance of the Chief Legislative Analyst and City Administrative Officer, to draft and present the necessary documents and ordinances establishing a Department of Economic Development as well as a Community Development Commission as set forth above.

The Personnel Committee waived consideration of this matter. This matter is now being transmitted to the Housing, Community and Economic Recovery Committee for consideration.

Sincerely,



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<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
SMITH:	YES
WESSON:	ABSENT
GREUEL:	YES

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