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# ENERGY & ENVIRONMENT

## MOTION

On March 23, 2009, the final tally of remaining votes confirmed that Measure B, the Green Energy and Good Jobs for Los Angeles Program, failed passage. The Initiative sought to reduce the City's reliance on non-renewable carbon-based resources by increasing the availability of solar power generation throughout the City. To achieve this, the measure would have required the Department of Water and Power to install, operate and maintain solar power installation on commercial and governmental properties within the City to produce 400 megawatts of electric generation.

It is believed that the Measure failed passage because its lack of an inclusive public process in the development of the proposal. A variety of stakeholders from the private sector, environmental groups and neighborhood associations expressed concern about the development of the Measure and their inability to fully engage in its inception. They also expressed concerns about its potential cost and impact on the ratepayers.

Despite the failure of Measure B, the City's still needs the implementation of an effective solar program that meets the needs of its residents. The solar program should seek to addresses the economic and workforce needs of the City while reducing its reliance on fossil fuels and eliminating greenhouse gas emissions.

To achieve this, the City should embark on the development of a new solar program that is done in cooperation with all interested stakeholders, including the private sector, neighborhood associations, environmental groups, interested residents, the Department of Water and Power and the workforce community. The solar program should be developed in a manner that utilizes the most reliable technology and minimizes overall program cost and impact to ratepayers. In this manner the environmental and economic goals of the City may be realized.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Department of Water and Power, in conjunction with the City Administrative Officer and the Chief Legislative Analyst, report to the Energy and Environment Committee in 30 days on an inclusive community outreach plan for the development of a solar proposal that meets the needs of interested stakeholders, and calls for the use of the most reliable technology that minimizes program cost and impact to the ratepayers.

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