TO THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES

Your RULES, ELECTIONS AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS Committee

reports as follows:

RULES, ELECTIONS AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT relative to establishing a fee schedule for election recounts.

Recommendation for Council action:

REQUEST the City Attorney, with the assistance of the City Clerk, to prepare the necessary ordinance to provide the following election recount fee schedule:

- a. Amend the manual recount fees for any municipal election conducted by the City of Los Angeles to be \$7,293 per day for each day that the recount is being conducted plus an additional \$0.11 per ballot for each ballot recounted manually.
- b. Amend the electronic recount fees for any municipal election conducted by the City of Los Angeles to be \$1,516 plus an additional \$0.11 per ballot for each ballot recounted electronically.

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement</u>: The City Clerk reports that any recount costs will be paid by the requestor unless the recount results in a change in the election outcome. No impact is anticipated to the General Fund.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

Summary:

At its regular meeting of January 18, 2013, the Rules, Elections and Intergovernmental Relations Committee considered a City Clerk report relative to establishing a fee schedule for manual or electronic election recounts as required by the Los Angeles City Election Code Section 1400(e). The City Clerk report, attached to the Council file, provides details on the cost of performing both manual and electronic tallies. After consideration and having provided an opportunity for public comment, the Committee recommended that Council approve the recommendation in the City Clerk report dated December 5, 2012.

Respectfully submitted,

RULES, ELECTIONS AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE

MEMBER VOTE
WESSON: YES
LABONGE: YES
HUIZAR: ABSENT

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