BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT relative to recommendations for a Neighborhood Council Grievance System.

Recommendations for Council action:

CONCUR with the recommendations of the Education and Neighborhoods Committee relative to implementation of a Neighborhood Council Grievance System as amended to:

- a. Request that the City Attorney prepare the Ordinance with an effective date of July 1, 2014.
- b. Instruct Department of Neighborhood Empowerment (DONE) to prepare a budget proposal for the Fiscal Year 2014-15 budget process to identify and request the necessary resources for implementation of a Neighborhood Council Grievance System.
- c. Instruct DONE to report in six months after the implementation of the Neighborhood Council Grievance System on its effectiveness.

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement</u>: None submitted by DONE. Neither the City Administrative Officer nor the Chief Legislative Analyst has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: Yes.

For Proposal: Los Feliz Neighborhood Council

## Summary:

At its regular meeting held on November 4, 2013, the Budget and Finance (BF) Committee considered a report from the Board of Neighborhood Commissioners and DONE relative to recommendations to combine the existing grievance and complaint procedures into one system with a final decision to be made by a regional grievance panel.

During discussion of this matter, the General Manager of DONE provided background information on this matter and responded to related questions from Committee members. After further consideration and having provided an opportunity for public comment, the BF Committee recommended to concur with the recommendations of the Education and Neighborhoods Committee as amended. Additionally, the BF Committee recommended several amendments including adding an effective date of July 1, 2014, requesting a budget proposal from DONE to be evaluated as part of the 2014-15 budget process, and requesting a report back from DONE in order to evaluate the effectiveness of the new system. These amendments are reflected in the recommendations above.

This matter is now forwarded to Council for its consideration.

## Respectfully Submitted,

## **BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE**

MEMBER YOTE
KREKORIAN: YES
ENGLANDER: YES
KORETZ: YES
BLUMENFIELD: YES
BONIN: YES

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