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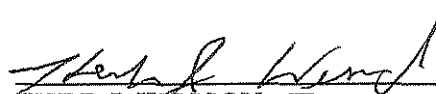
MOTION

During 2011, the US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) conducted an on-site compliance review of the Los Angeles Housing Department (LAHD) and the Community Redevelopment Agency. HUD reviewed compliance with, among other things, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (Section 504) and the American Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA). The review focused primarily on development funded with HOME, HOPWA, and Section 108 Loan funds. Based on the findings of the audit, HUD, on February 17, 2012, notified the City that the City had ten days to begin negotiations on a Voluntary Compliance Agreement (VCA) to address the findings of the audit and to voluntarily comply with the mandates of Section 504. If the City does not agree to voluntary compliance, HUD has stated that it will take the appropriate measures, including, but not limited to referral to the Department of Justice (DOJ) for potential enforcement action. In order to resolve the HUD findings and negotiate the VCA in a timely manner, the Council should request the City Attorney to report in Closed Session at its meeting on Friday, March 2, 2012 relative to legal issues pertaining to these findings and the VCA and to related pending and anticipated litigation.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Council request the City Attorney to provide a report in Closed Session at its meeting on Friday, March 2, 2012 to inform the Council on legal issues pertaining to the HUD audit findings and the negotiations on the Voluntary Compliance Agreement to avert DOJ enforcement actions and to related pending and anticipated litigation.

I FURTHER MOVE that the City Clerk be instructed to schedule the City Attorney presentation item on the Council Agenda for Friday, March 2, 2012.

PRESENTED BY:


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SECONDED BY:



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