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this matter, please refer to the  
Council File No.

August 15, 2014

To All Interested Parties:

The City Council adopted the action(s), as attached, under Council File No. 12-1408, at its meeting held August 13, 2014.



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ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE REPORT relative to proposed revision to the fees for the Japanese Garden located at the Donald C. Tillman Water Reclamation Plant.

Recommendation for Council action:

CONCUR with the Board of Public Works (Board) action of February 11, 2013, approving the revision of fee charges for the Japanese Garden located at the Donald C. Tillman Water Reclamation Plant as reflected in the February 11, 2013 Board report, attached to the Council file, with said revision to include revision of the Filming Use Fees.

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

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

Summary:

On October 16, 2013, your Committee considered a February 11, 2013 Board report relative to a proposed revision to the Filming Use Fees for the Japanese Garden located at the Donald C. Tillman Water Reclamation Plant. According to the Board, the Japanese Garden is located at the Donald C. Tillman Water Reclamation Plant. The Mayor's Office appointed a fifteen member Citizens Advisory Committee to provide public participation and guidance in establishing a program for use of the 6 1/2 acre Garden. Since 1985, the Mayor's Citizens Advisory Committee has been meeting monthly and has made recommendations for changes to our existing fee schedule to better augment costs and programs. The original fee schedule was established on March 25, 1987 with revisions in 1996 and 2003.

In joint cooperation between Sanitation management, City staff, and the Mayor's Citizens Advisory Committee, reconsideration to the Japanese Gardens' addition of Filming Use Fees is now recommended for approval by the Board of Public Works and forwarding to the City Council. The proposed Filming Use Fee for filming in the Garden was \$2,000, where none had been charged in the past. At the Council meeting on November 13, 2014, Council directed the Board to re-evaluate the level of the proposed fee. After further consideration, the Filming Use Fee is now proposed at \$500. Student filming activities would continue to be free.

The Japanese Garden Trust Fund No. 4422, Account 002 (MCB 5-15952) receives donations and fees for rentals for use in the Japanese Garden Program and uses the generated money for activities such as Garden development, special events, total support of the Volunteer Docent program and other garden public related activities. After consideration and having provided an opportunity for public comment, the Committee moved to continue this matter.

Subsequently, on June 18, 2014, the Committee reconsidered this matter and after having provided an opportunity for public comment, moved to recommend approval of the fee revision as contained in the February 11, 2013 Board report and detailed in the above recommendation. This matter is now submitted to Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE



<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
FUENTES:	YES
BLUMENFIELD:	YES
LABONGE:	YES
HUIZAR:	YES
KORETZ:	YES

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LOS ANGELES CITY COUNCIL

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