COMMUNICATION

TO: LOS ANGELES CITY COUNCIL File No. 13-0002-S68

FROM: COUNCILMEMBER JOE BUSCAINO, MEMBER

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AND GENERAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

COMMUNICATION FROM MEMBER, INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AND GENERAL SERVICES COMMITTEE and RESOLUTION relative to the City's position to oppose Assembly Bill (AB) 185 (Hernandez), which would amend the Ralph M. Brown Act to require local entities to televise open and public meetings of legislative bodies, planning commissions, and advisory committee meetings.

Recommendation for Council action:

ADOPT the accompanying RESOLUTION to include in the City's 2013-14 State Legislative Program, OPPOSITION to AB 185 (Hernandez) which would amend the Ralph M. Brown Act, in part, to require local entities that collect cable television franchise fees to televise open and public meetings of its legislative body and planning commission, and if financially feasible, to televise open and public meetings of its advisory committees. The bill would also duplicate existing statutory law authorizing the use of franchise fee revenues to televise these meetings on Public, Educational and Governmental (PEG) Access channels.

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement</u>: Neither the City Administrative Officer nor the Chief Legislative Analyst (CLA) has completed a financial analysis on this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

Summary:

On May 14, 2013, your Committee member considered a CLA report relative to the City's position to oppose AB 185 (Hernandez), which would amend the Ralph M. Brown Act to require local entities to televise open and public meetings of legislative bodies, planning commissions, and advisory committee meetings. After providing an opportunity for public comment, the Committee member recommended that Council approve the recommendation contained in the CLA report, as reflected above. This matter is now submitted to Council for its consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

COUNCILMEMBER JOE BUSCAINO, MEMBER INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AND GENERAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

MEMBER VOTE
PERRY ABSENT
BUSCAINO YES

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