PLANNING AND LAND USE MANAGEMENT and BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEES' REPORT relative to the functional transfer of development services programs of multiple City departments to create a new development services department.

Recommendations for Council action, as initiated by Motion (Price - LaBonge):

 REQUEST the City Attorney to postpone the preparation of Ordinances relative to a new development services department, as directed in Exhibit H of the Fiscal Year 2013-14 Adopted Budget, until the Council has considered and acted on the pending joint City Administrative Officer (CAO) and Chief Legislative Analyst (CLA) policy report relative to development services, including the related report from the management consultant.

## 2. DIRECT the CAO to report back:

- a. Within two weeks on what actions need to be taken to ensure the Departments of City Planning, Building and Safety, Transportation, Fire, and Public Works, Bureau of Engineering can continue to provide development services through June 30, 2014 as separate departments and/or functions if implementation of the new department is delayed until Fiscal Year 2014-15.
- b. On any changes that need to be made to the management consultant contract scope of services or funding to address additional issues identified in Motion (Price LaBonge), including but not limited to: 1) options other than consolidation that would improve the City's development process; 2) best practices of other large municipalities; 3) a cost benefit analysis, 4) pros and cons of consolidation; 5) other viable realignment options; and 6) an implementation timeline.
- 3. INSTRUCT the Departments of Planning, Building and Safety, Transportation, Fire, and Public Works, Bureau of Engineering to continue working with the CAO, CLA, Controller, City Attorney, and Personnel Department to implement Council policy relative to development reform.

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement</u>: The CAO and CLA report that there is no General Fund or Special Fund impact.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

## **Summary**

At a regular meeting held on October 8, 2013, the Planning and Land Use Management (PLUM) Committee considered Motion (Price - LaBonge) and a joint CAO and CLA report relative to the functional transfer of development services programs of multiple City departments to create a new development services department. Staff from the CAO and the Department of Building and Safety gave the PLUM Committee background information on the matter.

After an opportunity for public comment, the PLUM Committee recommended that Council take the actions listed above. At a regular meeting held on October 28, 2013, the Budget and Finance Committee concurred with the PLUM Committee actions. This matter is now submitted to Council for

its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

## PLANNING AND LAND USE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

MEMBER YOTE
HUIZAR: YES
CEDILLO: YES
ENGLANDER: ABSENT

## **BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE**

MEMBER VOTE
KREKORIAN: YES
ENGLANDER: YES
KORETZ: YES
BLUMENFIELD: ABSENT
BONIN: ABSENT

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