

COMMUNICATION

TO: LOS ANGELES CITY COUNCIL

FILE NO. 13-0533

**FROM: COUNCILMEMBER RICHARD ALARCÓN, CHAIR
COUNCILMEMBER HERB J. WESSON, JR., MEMBER
HOUSING, COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

COMMUNICATION FROM CHAIR AND MEMBER, HOUSING, COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE relative to establishing an Office of Civic Innovation in the City's new Economic Development Department to develop and promote innovative and entrepreneurial approaches to, and processes for, solving complex civil problems.

Recommendation for Council action, pursuant to Motion (Wesson – Buscaino):

INSTRUCT the City Administrative Officer (CAO) to report with recommendations to explore the feasibility of establishing an Office of Civic Innovation in the new City Economic Development Department to develop and promote innovative and entrepreneurial approaches to, and processes for, solving complex civic problems; including, a discussion of staffing and budgetary needs, possible funding streams and what other cities such as Boston and Philadelphia are doing in this regard.

Fiscal Impact Statement: Neither the CAO nor the Chief Legislative Analyst has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

(The Ad Hoc Committee on Economic Development Implementation waived consideration of the above matter.)

SUMMARY

At a regular meeting held on May 15, 2013, the Chair of the Housing, Community and Economic Development Committee, and Member, considered Motion (Wesson – Buscaino) relative to an instruction to the CAO to report with recommendations on the feasibility of establishing an Office of Civic Innovation in the City's new Economic Development Department to develop and promote innovate and entrepreneurial approaches to, and processes for, solving complex civil problems; including staffing, budgetary needs, and possible funding streams, as well as practices of other cities.

After providing an opportunity for public comment, the Committee Chair, and Member, recommended that Council approve the recommendation in the Motion. This matter is now forwarded to the Council for its consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

COUNCILMEMBER RICHARD ALARCÓN, CHAIR
HOUSING, COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

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<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
ALARCON:	YES
REYES:	ABSENT
WESSON:	YES
PERRY:	ABSENT

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