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Honorable Councilmember Curren Price, Chair Economic Development Committee

Attn: Michael Espinosa, Legislative Assistant – Economic Development Committee

Honorable Councilmember Paul Krekorian, Chair Budget and Finance Committee

Attn: Mandy Morales, Legislative Assistant – Budget and Finance Committee

**RE: COUNCIL FILE TRANSMITTAL** 

On October 22, 2019, the Ad Hoc Committee on Comprehensive Job Creation Plan considered a report from the City Administrative Officer (CAO), dated September 19, 2019, and a report from the Economic and Workforce Development Department (EWDD), dated August 21, 2019, relative to establishment of a Jobs and Economic Development Incentive (JEDI) Zone policy and program in the City of Los Angeles.

The Ad Hoc Committee on Comprehensive Job Creation Plan took the following actions:

- Adopt Recommendation Nos. 1-4 of the CAO report, dated September 19, 2019, as follows:
  - 1. INSTRUCT the EWDD to work with the Department of City Planning (DCP) and Los Angeles Department of Building and Safety (LADBS) to develop the following:
    - a) Specific process to implement potential City development fee reductions for JEDI Zone businesses, including the method of applying the fee reduction for developers.
    - b) Impact and/or changes to current City service delivery systems necessary to implement the process including initial funding requirements.
    - c) Potential to utilize current DCP and LADBS services to expedite the development permit process for JEDI Zone developers.
  - 2. INSTRUCT the EWDD to work with the Public Works Bureau of Contract Administration, Public Works Bureau of Sanitation, Los Angeles Fire Department, DCP, and other departments engaged in compliance monitoring to develop a process for coordinated services through EWDD to provide assistance to JEDI Zone businesses for corrective action in response to administrative notices of violations.

- INSTRUCT the EWDD to Initiate a Charter Section 1022 review process with the Personnel Department regarding the request to utilize consultant services to facilitate expedited City development permits.
- 4. INSTRUCT the EWDD to report to Council and Mayor within 60 days regarding the findings of the activities in Recommendations 1, 2, and 3 in the CAO report dated September 19, 2019.
- II. Replace Recommendation No. 5 of the CAO report, dated September 19, 2019, with the following:
  - 5. INSTRUCT the CAO and Chief Legislative Analyst to continue to work with Council District Two to identify potential alternative funding sources and mid-year funding opportunities (in order to begin work sooner than Fiscal Year 2020-21).
- III. Amend the EWDD report, dated August 21, 2019 (Page 11), as follows:
  - AMEND the EWDD report regarding the Secondary Eligibility Criteria:
    - a) Amend Criteria B to read: A non-seasonal unemployment rate that is at least 3 percent higher than the Citywide rate.
    - b) Amend Criteria C to read: Crime rates 5 percent higher than the Citywide crime rate.

This matter is hereby transmitted to the Economic Development and Budget and Finance Committees for their consideration.

Respectfully

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