

COMMUNICATION FROM CHAIR, EDUCATION AND NEIGHBORHOODS COMMITTEE, and ORDINANCE FIRST CONSIDERATION relative to amending Section 22.801(j) of the Los Angeles Administrative Code (LAAC) to establish and maintain a Neighborhood Council database for public use:

Recommendation for Council action, SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR:

PRESENT and ADOPT the accompanying ORDINANCE amending Section 22.801(j) of the LAAC, which would create and maintain an internal and external information and communication network available for public use.

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

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

Summary:

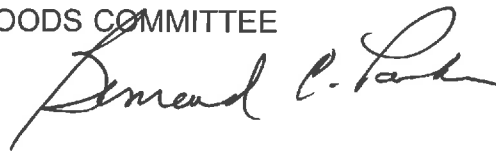
At its regular meeting held February 17, 2015, the Education and Neighborhoods Committee considered a City Attorney report and Ordinance relative to amending Section 22.801(j) of the LAAC, which would create and maintain an internal and external information and communication network available for public use.

A representative from the City Attorney together with the General Manager of the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment appeared before the Committee to provide a brief overview of the proposed Ordinance and responded to related questions. After further discussion, and providing an opportunity for public comment, the Committee Chair recommended that the Council adopt the Ordinance. This matter is now forwarded to the Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

COUNCILMEMBER BERNARD PARKS, CHAIR
EDUCATION AND NEIGHBORHOODS COMMITTEE

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
PARKS:	YES
MARTINEZ:	ABSENT
O'FARRELL:	ABSENT



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ORDINANCE NO. _____

An ordinance amending Subsection (j) of Section 22.801 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code to create and maintain an internal and external information and communication network available for public use.

**THE PEOPLE OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES
DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. Subsection (j) of Section 22.801 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

(j) with the assistance of the Information Technology Agency, create and maintain an internal and external information and communication network available for public use to:

(1) Provide access to all current rules, regulations, and election/selection/voting and any other procedures adopted by the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment;

(2) Provide access to all historic rules, regulations, and election/selection/voting and any other procedures adopted by the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment that are no longer in force;

(3) Provide access to all current non-confidential legal opinions by the City Attorney on matters relating to the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment, Board of Neighborhood Commissioners, Department rules or regulations, and Department procedures for elections/selections/voting and any other matter;

(4) Provide access to all historical non-confidential legal opinions by the City Attorney on matters relating to the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment, Board of Neighborhood Commissioners, Department rules or regulations, and Department procedures for elections/selections/voting and any other matter that are no longer in force; and

(5) Provide a Citywide database of existing neighborhood organizations and similar information, sortable by areas and individual Neighborhood Councils.

Sec. 2. The City Clerk shall certify to the passage of this ordinance and have it published in accordance with Council policy, either in a daily newspaper circulated in the City of Los Angeles or by posting for ten days in three public places in the City of Los Angeles: one copy on the bulletin board located at the Main Street entrance to the Los Angeles City Hall; one copy on the bulletin board located at the Main Street entrance to the Los Angeles City Hall East; and one copy on the bulletin board located at the Temple Street entrance to the Los Angeles County Hall of Records.

I hereby certify that this ordinance was passed by the Council of the City of Los Angeles, at its meeting of _____.

HOLLY L. WOLCOTT, City Clerk

By _____ Deputy

Approved _____

Mayor

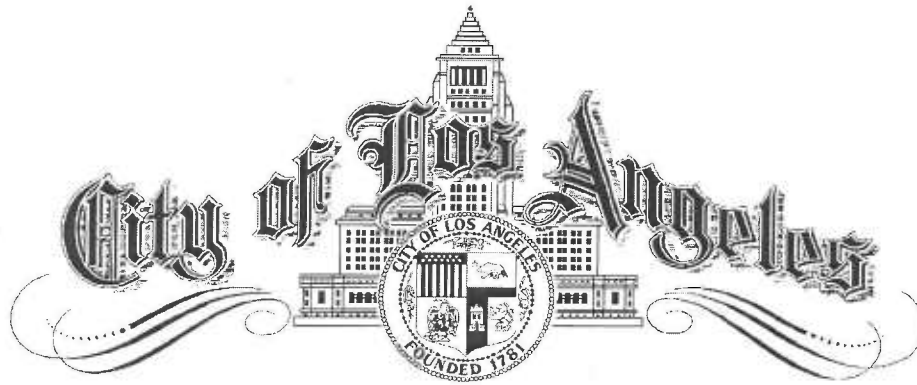
Approved as to Form and Legality

MICHAEL N. FEUER, City Attorney

By Alois M. Phillips
ALOIS M. PHILLIPS
Deputy City Attorney

Date _____

File No. _____



MICHAEL N. FEUER
CITY ATTORNEY

REPORT NO. R 15 - 0003
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REPORT RE:

**DRAFT ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 22.801(j) OF THE LOS ANGELES
ADMINISTRATIVE CODE TO ESTABLISH AND MAINTAIN A NEIGHBORHOOD
COUNCIL DATABASE FOR PUBLIC USE**

The Honorable City Council
of the City of Los Angeles
Room 395, City Hall
200 North Spring Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Council File No. 13-1685

Honorable Members:

Pursuant to your request, this Office has prepared and now transmits for your consideration the enclosed draft ordinance, approved as to form and legality. The draft ordinance amends Section 22.801(j) of the Los Angeles Administrative Code (LAAC) to establish a Neighborhood Council Database and eliminate obsolete provisions from the current version of this section.

Background and Summary of Ordinance Provisions

On April 29, 2014, City Council requested that our Office draft a proposed ordinance regarding the creation and maintenance of a public database containing Neighborhood Council related information. City Council's request was based on a recommendation from the Education and Neighborhoods Committee and the Board of Neighborhood Commissioners (Commission).

Previously, in June 2013, the Commission created three regional panels to evaluate recommendations for changing the Plan for a Citywide System of

Neighborhood Councils. One of the recommendations from the regional panels, affirmed by the Commission, was to create a public database for accessing Neighborhood Council related information. The enclosed proposed ordinance creates the recommended public database.

Currently, the LAAC does not set forth the policy for providing access to institutional memory for the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment or Neighborhood Councils. The proposed draft ordinance adds to the LAAC the language requested by the Commission.

Council Rule 38 Referral

A copy of the draft ordinance was sent, pursuant to Council Rule 38, to the Information Technology Agency and the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment with a request that all comments, if any, be presented directly to the City Council when this matter is considered.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Deputy City Attorney Alois Phillips at (213) 978-8143. She or another member of this Office will be present when you consider this matter to answer any questions you may have.

Very truly yours,

MICHAEL N. FEUER, City Attorney



By

DAVID MICHAELSON
Chief Assistant City Attorney

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